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Workshop: The Future of Informal Markets and Trade in Central Asia and the Caucasus (funded by the Volkswagen Foundation)

Organizers:

Prof. Dr. Ketevan Khutsishvili

PD Dr. Susanne Fehlings

Venue: Tbilisi, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Date: 4 November 2023

Program

14.00- 15.30h Workshop Session 1

Sayana Namsaraeva (University of Cambridge)

“Beauties and the Beasts of the Russian-China border: trade relations through the metaphors of shapeshifting”

Jianfeng Lee (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)

“Chinese community in Georgia: structure and relations”

Hasan H. Karrar (LMU)

“China, the reform era, and the beginning of Sino/Central Asian trade”

15.30-16.00h *Coffee break*

16.00-17.00h Workshop session 2

Teona Rekhviashvili (Ilia State University)

“Crypto mining in Svaneti: traditional law against the non-traditional infrastructure”

Alexandre Kukhianidze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)

„Smuggling through Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region of Georgia“

Ketevan Khutsishvili

“Covid, state and trade: formal and informal sides of the control (the case of Tbilisi markets)”

18.00h *Dinner with all workshop participants*