

Russian Universities in turbulent times: What can we learn from the history of their internationalisation?

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00:37:43 Alexandra Benham: What was the spillover of the USSR higher education policy to other socialist countries? China? DDR?

00:42:27 Philip Altbach: What do you think is the future of Russian science in light of the “sovereign” policy and other realities?

00:43:15 Agung Nugroho: I learn that Russian universities, along with the Russian government have employed various internationalization strategies.

I was wondering if one of these strategies relates to overseas study programs (sending their human capital to undergo further studies in overseas universities). I would also like to ask, in these overseas study programs for the Russian human capital, what have the Russian government and universities done to facilitate the potential contributions of the returnees?

00:44:06 CGHE Webinars: It’s time now to work on your questions and statements for Maria. Use the Chat to put forward your thoughts and enter the Q&A!

00:45:21 MOKHIDIL MAMASOLIEVA: What are the Russian government’s attempts in internationalisation of HE with/through other post-Soviet states, Central Asia, for example?

00:46:34 David Law: A contrast between USSR and PRC is that emigration from China, for many, has been temporary not permanent. Does the post-Soviet regime welcome back emigrant academics?

00:46:51 Dinara Gagarina: How long do you think it will take to restore the higher education system in Russia (and return it to the state of early 2022, for example)? Is it possible?

00:48:32 Konstantin Platonov, Tel Aviv University: Thank you for this great presentation!

It is clear that strategic priorities were almost always set top-down and revolving mostly around how to bring in more international students and faculty. In terms of internationalization, I wonder how these national prestige-driven priorities corresponded with the real needs of the economy and society ‘on the ground’. In particular, what was / will

be the role of outbound student mobility and international experience of Russian students going abroad on exchange?

Thank you

00:49:26 Peter Grachev: Yes, internationalisation with European universities has finished. But at the same time we can see that the internationalisation with Asia region is developing very fast and strongly. How do you think this will affect to the universities in the country?

00:56:51 Lara Dzabolova: Thank you, Maria, for the presentation! I would also like to mention that I relied on your works and the works you co-authored, for my research at Master's at Bristol University.

I am planning to continue my studies at Bristol, PhD in Education, on Sustainability in Higher Education. My research aim is to understand what constraints there are and what support is needed in order to mobilise academics and administration of Russian universities towards sustainability.

My main method is conducting interviews with academics and administration at Russian universities.

My question for you will be: what advice, if any, could you give in reaching out to the universities in order to get them engaged in the research, given the very risky nature of the research?

00:58:34 Yanina Besstrashnova: What do you think of preferences of Russian academics at the moment in sense of international research/projects at the political risk, personal academic reputation, autonomous work in their current positions in Russia etc?

01:03:52 Bernard Lee: Thanks a lot, Simon and Maria! I have been inspired by the talk. best

01:15:54 Sarah Philps: Thanks Maria for a fascinating talk

01:16:10 Konstantin Platonov, Tel Aviv University: Thanks Maria!

01:16:40 Elena Shakina: Thank you!!!

01:16:54 Yanina Besstrashnova: Thank you very much!

01:17:13 Elena Ponomareva: Thank you!

01:17:28 Olga Vinogradova: Thanks for the seminar!

01:17:28 Irina Shafranskaia: Thank you, let's hope for the change

01:17:36 Eva Mainusch: Thank you for the interesting input!