

## **SSEES Research blog**

### **Editorial policy**

The goal is to provide analysis and commentary politics, economics, culture and society in Central, Eastern and South-East Europe, the Baltics and Russia to a broad readership in an accessible and relevant way, drawing on the research and expertise of academics and other researchers at the UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES), including research students. The blog seek achieve a broad balance between all individuals, regions and disciplines at SSEES. Work by outside contributors, especially SSEES alumni, may also be invited and published if space permits.

There is no editorial ‘line’ except a commitment to communicating to enhance public debate and understanding. Reports on SSEES and UCL events will also be posted.

Submissions or ideas for possible submissions should be sent to the editorial co-ordinator(s) listed on the Contacts page. Submissions should between 300 and 900 words word long and written in clear and direct style which encourages public understanding of humanities and social sciences research relating to Central, Eastern and South-East Europe, the Baltics and Russia.

All contributions submitted will be reviewed and edited. Minor stylistic changes to enhance readability (correction of typos, grammar, spelling, clarity, (re-)titling and subtitles etc) will be made automatically. Contributors will have to opportunity to see and make necessary amendments to edited copy within a short set period. If more substantive changes are need, these will be consulted and agreed with contributors.

Final decision regarding the publication rests will rest with the blog’s editorial board. The group may decline to publish any submission that it believes is potentially libellous or defamatory; does not highlight a relevant conflict of interest on the part of the author; lacks appropriate evidence or academic rigour; or may bring the School or UCL into disrepute. In such hopefully extremely rare cases contributors can appeal to SSEES Heads of Research to adjudicate the issue.

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Reasonable and constructive comments that contribute to debate, including critical comments, are welcome and will be published. All comments will be moderated before publication. Any comment which includes offensive or inappropriate language; is considered to be rude and offensive; is a personal attack on a contributor or commenter; could be considered libellous or defamatory; or otherwise brings SSEES or UCL into disrepute will not be published.