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Natural Resources, Climate, Local Control, and Democratization in the Caspian Sea Region

Virtual Workshop April 15, 2020

Panel I. Climate and Environmental Impacts of the Use of Natural Resources

12:00-2:45 PM

Sonia Zilberman (Crude Accountability): "The Role of International Institutions and Western Governments in Legitimizing and Financing hydrocarbon extraction in Azerbaijan"

Kate Watters (Crude Accountability): "The Effects of Investments in the Oil and Gas Sector in Kazakhstan"

Sebastien Peyrouse (GWU/Brookings): "Governance Issues and Economic Stakes in Turkmenistan: A Challenged Future?"

Elena Sorokina (Crude Accountability): "Legislative and Other Pressures on Environmental Defenders in Russia and other Post-Soviet Countries"

Panel II. Political Impacts of the Use of Natural Resources: Challenges to Democratization

3:00-6:15 PM

Gubad Ibadoghlu (Rutgers): "Petrostate: Political Effects of Revenue Management in Azerbaijan"

Rachel Denber (Human Rights Watch): "The State of Human Rights and Democratic Freedoms in the Caspian Basin States"

Jamil Hasanli (National Council of Democratic Forces of Azerbaijan/Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences): "Azerbaijan's Deepening Authoritarianism and Challenges to Democratization"

Audrey Altstadt (UMass Amherst): "We are the Underdogs: Next Steps in Democracy-Building in Azerbaijan"

Spaska Gatzinska (National Endowment for Democracy): TBD

Michael Reynolds (Princeton): Closing Comment

All are welcome!

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