



CALL FOR APPLICATION

Trialog Deutschland-Polska-Rossija

The German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP), the Polish Institute of International Affairs (PISM), and the Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the Russian Academy of Science (IMEMO) intend to establish a *German-Polish-Russian Trialog* and would like to invite to apply for the first Trialog conference in Warsaw in November 2013 on energy security.

Current state of relationship among Germany, Poland and Russia is not satisfactory. The Eastern Enlargement of the EU and NATO provides the basis and need to reform and improve dialog and cooperation between the three key regional players Germany, Poland, and Russia. The reappraise of complex and difficult domestic, bilateral as well as multilateral challenges longs for prospects for a trilateral relationship and new impulses for mutual understanding and cross-functional collaboration in Europe. The Trialog between Germany, Poland, and Russia presents a new opportunity to overcome historical and political differences as well as stereotypes and to establish forward-looking partnerships between all three countries and for EU-Russia relations.

The new series of meetings seeks to bring together experts from each partner country for biannual conferences in order to discuss vital issues in their respective national context and to reflect on common topics with each other. Soft topics such as education, demographics, migration, or religion will be discussed along with difficult topics that affect each side such as energy-security, approaches for conflict resolution in the post-Soviet space, minority issues, nationalism, history, and identity. Rather than discussing each designated topic of itself, the goal is primarily to convey an understanding of why certain contentious questions are framed differently according to varying national – political, historical, cultural – contexts. One cycle will consist of three conferences: Warsaw-Moscow-Berlin. After each conference a policy-brief including recommendations to decision-makers will be published in all three states and languages. The working language is English. The newly established fixed group will consist of 30 participants – 10 from each country. The project is funded by the Foundation for German-Polish Cooperation (SDPZ/FWPN) and the Robert Bosch Stiftung.

More information about the Trialog on: https://dgap.org/en/think-tank/program/trialog-de_pl_ru

The first Trialog conference will take place in <u>Warsaw</u>, <u>November 17th-19th</u>, <u>2013</u> and will address the respective <u>national discourses on energy security</u>.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- at least Master, Diploma or an analogous degree
- Experiences in international projects and interest in intercultural exchange
- preferred background in a research, political or economic institute, journalist or NGO-sector
- Fluent English and desirably one additional language of the Trialog besides native tongue
- Nationality of Germany, Poland or Russia

APPLICATION AND DEADLINE

- Curriculum Vitae (including publications, project experience, etc.)
- One Letter of Recommendation
- Letter of Motivation (no longer than 500 words)
- German applications shall be submitted to the DGAP: trialog@dgap.org
- Polish applications shall be submitted to the PISM: trialog@pism.pl
- Russian applications shall be submitted to the IMEMO: basov@imemo.ru
- The deadline for application is August 5th, 2013