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What is Russia Facing: a Liberal or Conservative Modernization and Who is Going to Realize it?

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The article is devoted to the imperative character of Russian modernization, obstacles and enemies of its realization and to its subjects.

Key words: modernization, liberal, conservative, subjects.

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Fascism and German Imperialism

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Pointing out that nazism is an essence of the alleuropean consensus and basis of the West in its striving to liquidate Russia as a stronghold of communist ideology, author considers the reasons of the origin of fascism in Europe, its roots and essence of the fascist doctrine, internal and outside preconditions of fascism spreading in Germany, development of nazi ideology by Hitler and the creation of the fascist state and support Hitler's ideas and deeds by financial and industrial Klan.

Key words: nazi, fascism, ideology, Hitler, fascist dictatur

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Tendencies of the information war against Russia

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Examining the concept of "information-psychological war", the author gives her treatment, reveals the features of this type of war, examines the tendencies of development of this phenomenon in modern times, defines the main directions of state information policy in Russia in the field of minimizing the impact of the negative information, effectively countering information attacks.

Key words: information industry, information and psychological war, information and psychological confrontation, characteristics and trends of development of the information war, the state information policy in Russia.

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Civilization factor in the international legal regulation of international relations

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During the modern period of dynamical changes in the world the theory of civilizations has not only scientific, but also applied value. An important basis for strengthening of the role of international legal regulation of the problems connected with the civilization by a variety of the world community are the conventional principles of international law. The problem of harmonization of international and national legal systems is a prominent aspect of increase of the role of international law in development of inter-civilizational interactions.

Key words: inter civilization relations, dialogue of civilizations, international law, national legal systems.

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The Aspects of the National Idea in Contemporary Russian

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This article is devoted to the analysis of the religious possibilities in general as well as the place and role of the Russian Orthodox Church in the contemporary Russian national idea forming.

Key words: National idea, Russian Orthodox Church, religious organization, tradition, unity.

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The Russian Federation and transformation of concepts in the north of Europe

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The author of the article examines the role of Russian Federation in cooperation and interaction with Nordic states in terms of transformation of geopolitical ideas, notions and concepts on European North.

Key words: The concept «New North», the international organizations, Northern Dimension, external relations of regions, Northern model, Nordic balance (of power), Nordic Identity, "New European North".

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The «Jasmine Revolution» in Tunisia : socio-political aspect

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Regardless its unexpectedness the "Jasmine revolution", that happened in Tunisia in December 2010 – January 2011, had certain prerequisites of sociopolitical origin. Among these are youth unemployment, regional development inequality, lack of political freedoms and corruption.

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Macedonia - Another Political Hotspot in the Balkans

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Macedonian independence in 1991 made Macedonian neighbors activate their policy on contesting the Macedonian national identity. Greece has challenged Macedonians their right to call their country Macedonia and until now has tried to arrogate to the exclusive right on Macedonian historic legacy, Bulgaria continues to deny Macedonian ethnicity and language, whereas Serbia – its church independence. Unlike the international context on the eve of the Balkan wars in 1912–1913, nowadays Albania has joined the extraditional claimers on «Macedonian lands», playing the most active role in that direction. Aggressively using the so called Albanian factor inside the country both Albania and Greece are pushing forward the idea of Great Albania at the expense of Macedonian state.

Key words: Balkans, Albanian nationalist movement, Greek anti-Macedonian foreign policy, idea of «Great Albania».

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The Strategy for development of the bank sector till 2015: search for affective solutions

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The discussion about The Strategy for development of the bank sector till 2015 in the article. Positively evaluating as a whole of the Strategy-2015, the author simultaneously express a number of critical observations and

positively voice and is introduced proposals for the improvement of the system of bank regulation in Russia.

Key words: assets of banks, bank liquidity, bank system, bank market, bank risks, capitalization of bank, credit system, social responsibility, development factors.

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Geopolitics of investment processes

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Object of research of given article is the growing interrelation of a policy and economy and geopolitics of investment processes.

Key words: geopolitics, world economy, investments, an investment stream, the investment policy of the state, geopolitics

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Tragedy of the "Baltic Triangle"

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The article is dedicated to one of the most tragic pages in the history of the Russian Revolution of 1917. The author using new documents reveals motives and the character of the lower ranks behavior in respect of the officers in the Russian capital and in two largest Baltic naval bases – Kronstadt and Helsingfors at the moment of February revolutionary outburst.

Key words: revolt, revolution, violence, officers, soldiers, sailors, Petrograd, Kronstadt, Helsingfors.

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Legal aspects of combating desertion in the Austro-Hungarian Empire during the First World War

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Cases of mass desertions from the Austro-Hungarian army led to the publication in 1915, the Austrian government under pressure from military commanders of a special law establishing property-liability for the traitors. Relatives of deserters stopped paying social benefits established by the state. The implementation of these laws ran into some difficulties, often caused by scanty nature available to the military authorities of information on a particular criminal case brought up on charges of desertion. *Key words:* World War I, the Austro-Hungarian army, the soldier's form of protest, desertion.

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Let's settly disputes by peacefully!

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The review analyzes the collective monograph «Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes: Contemporary Problems», accomplished at the Department of International Law of the Russian Peoples' Friendship University.

Key words: international law, peaceful settlement of disputes, peaceful means of settlement of disputes, International Court of Justice, international judicial institutions.

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