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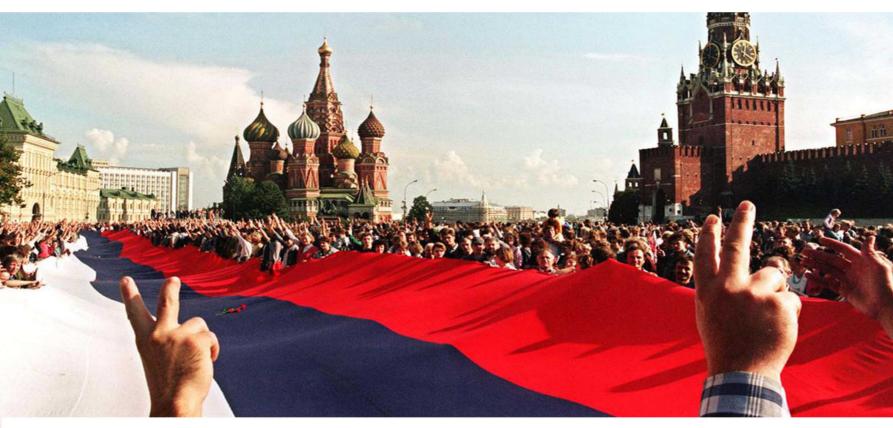
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# Václav Havel Program for Human Rights and Diplomacy

Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs



## **Supporting Democracy through the Experience of Others**

Featuring Stefano Bottoni, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and Nikita Petrov, Memorial Research Centre, Moscow

Friday, September 7, 2018 | 10 AM - 12 PM & 1 PM - 3 PM | FIU MMC | Graham Center, third floor Panther Suite

Sharing the memories and histories of countries that have transitioned to democracy is crucial for supporting democratic development across the world. By sharing these experiences, the global community learns valuable lessons about democracy. Join us for a discussion about the Romanian and Russian experiences of transition to democracy and the lessons learned throughout these experiences.

Topics to be covered include:

- \* Transformation of the political system
- \* Regime archives
- \* Rehabilitation of victims

- \* Dismantling the state security apparatus
- \* Removing government officials associated with the previous regime
- $\ensuremath{^*}$  Investigation and prosecution of the crimes of the regime

#### Featured speakers:

**Stefano Bottoni** is the Senior Fellow at the Research Center for the Humanities at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in Hungary. He was a Consultant Member of the Vladimir Tismăneanu-led Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania (2006).

**Nikita Petrov** is a historian and expert on the Soviet totalitarian past and Soviet security services. He is the Deputy Chair of the Board of Memorial Research Centre in Moscow.

The seminar will be followed by a Question and Answer session with the speakers beginning at 3 p.m. To RSVP, go to: https://bit.ly/2wLLQK6

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