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**The Graduate Institute  
Alumni Chapter of Washington, DC**

**Annual Reception**

**Thursday, December 10, 2009  
6:30 – 9:00pm**

***Russia and Energy Security: The European Perspective***

**6:45 p.m. Welcoming Remarks: His Excellency *Urs Ziswiler*,  
Ambassador of Switzerland to the United States**

**6:50 p.m. Opening remarks: *Sherry Stephenson*  
Washington DC Alumni Chapter**

**7:00 p.m. Panel Discussion**

***Allen Lynch*, Professor, Department of Politics, University of Virginia, and author of forthcoming “Vladimir Putin and Russian Statecraft” (Potomac books; mid-2010).**

***Mamuka Tsereteli*, Assistant Professor of International Relations, School of International Services, American University.**

***Alexandros Petersen*, Dinu Patriciu Fellow for Transatlantic Energy Security and Associate Director of the Eurasia Energy Center, Atlantic Council of the United States.**

**Discussion moderated by *Thomas Helbling*, Advisor, Research Department, International Monetary Fund**

**8:15 p.m. Reception at the Ambassador’s Residence (Swiss Raclette)**

**Remarks by *Monsieur Philippe Burrin*, Director of the Graduate Institute**

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