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Dear Russian Field participants,

As you know, our conference is co-sponsored by *Laboratorium: Russian Review of Social Research*, a new peer-reviewed bilingual social science journal. Our journal has been some time in the making, but the pilot issue, dealing with the state of sociology in Russia, should be out by the end of May and will be presented at the conference. *Laboratorium* will appear three times a year, usually alternating between thematic and non-thematic issues.

We are writing to invite you to submit your conference papers for publication in a special issue of *Laboratorium* that will reflect our conference and is scheduled to appear in the fall of 2010. To submit your paper, please follow these guidelines:

- By submitting your paper to *Laboratorium*, you guarantee that your paper, or any portion thereof, has not been published or submitted for review to any other publication *in any language*, and that you will not do so unless the paper is rejected by *Laboratorium*. We guarantee an editorial decision within four months of submission.
- Papers will be published in either Russian or English, with an extended summary in the other language. If your paper is in another language, you are responsible for having it translated. *You may, however, submit papers in French or German for initial editorial review*, and we may be able to publish versions in languages other than Russian or English on our web site in addition to the paper version.
- Your paper should not normally exceed 50,000 characters (approx. 6,000 words), excluding the bibliography. Exceptions should be discussed with the editors at the time of submission, but cannot be guaranteed.
- A detailed formatting and style guide will be published online and disseminated to you ahead of the conference. In the final version, references should be listed at the end of your article, rather than as footnotes. In the meantime, however, you may submit your paper 'as is.' Both British and US English are acceptable, as long as you are consistent in your usage.
- Please note that participation in the conference does not guarantee publication: all papers will undergo the same rigorous peer review process as regular submissions. Conversely, we will accept submissions relating to the theme of *Russian Field* from authors who cannot attend the conference.

You are encouraged to submit your paper ahead of the conference, stating whether you are planning to revise it before final submission. The deadline for submissions of final versions is **September 30, 2009**.

Please send your paper as a doc or rtf attachment to *both* mgabowit@princeton.edu and n.tsygankova@mail.ru.

The journal will be fully accessible online, and the paper version will be presented at thematic conferences and professional conventions in Russia, the United States, and a range of European countries. A publication in *Laboratorium* will thus ensure visibility of your research among social scientists outside your own field and/or country.

Looking forward to seeing you at the conference –

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