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# GSPP Professors

**Riccardo Pelizzo, GSPP Vice Dean for Research and Associate Professor** was added to the scientific committee of the 7th International Conference on European Studies. Professor Pelizzo reviewed two books: Dennis de Tray, *Why Counterinsurgency Fails* and Gianfranco Pasquino, *Bobbio and Sartori* which were accepted for publication in *World Affairs*.



**Peter Howie, GSPP Associate Professor**

Joint research article "Support for nuclear power in Central Asia: Examining historical and spatial separation" with Ilyas Yesdauletov and Yerzhan Dyussenov, MPP students in the 2015-2016 cohort. was accepted for publication in the journal "Post-Communist Economies."

**Four GSPP PhD students - Guldana Khamzina, Anara Makatova, Slyamzhar Akhmetzharov and Madi Umbetaliyev participated in the StAKZ Research Hub Workshop on interviewing and surveying methods held at GSPP during January 21 - 23.** The workshop was led by Professor David McCollum of the University of St. Andrews, UK and Peter Howie of GSPP. The workshop, which was applied in nature, is part of a larger research project funded by the UK Global Challenges Research Fund, in which both David McCollum and Peter Howie are co-investigators. The four students were selected from a group of GSPP PhD students who submitted research proposals and were invited to participate in the workshop. The next stage of activities associated with the StAKZ Research Hub will be a conference that is scheduled in May 2020 where all four students will be required to present their developed research proposals and proposed budgets to complete their work during the 2020 – 2021 academic year.





**GSPP Professor Colin Knox commented on Presidential Youth Personnel Reserve selection approach for Khabar “7 Days” program.**

The program is available here: <https://khabar.kz/kk/so-y-shy-arylym-7-kun> (plot starts at 51:29 in Kazakh language) and here: <https://khabar.kz/ru/poslednij-vypusk-7-kun> (plot starts at 48:50 in Russian language).



**GSPP Professor Colin Knox participated in a conference on political patronage in the Graduate School of Public Administration in Seoul National University on February 6-7, 2020. The proceedings will be included in an edited book led by Professor B.Guy Peters.**



**GSPP research specialist Madina Lukpanova participated in the FTxBocconi Talent Challenge at the Financial Times London Headquarters on February 1-3, 2020.**

She was one of the 100 challengers chosen from the 1000 applicants from all over the world.





**GSPP organized a Research Seminar on environmental economics by Visiting Professor Jesuthason Thampapillai, PhD (Economics), University of New England, Australia, on February 20, 2020.**



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## RESEARCH SEMINAR

**“Is Australia’s Race to the Bottom Driven by GDP Growth in lieu of Sustainability”**

BY

Jesuthason Thampapillai

Visiting Professor

PhD (Economics), University of New England, Australia

February 20, 2020 (Thursday)

12:30 pm – 13:30

Room # 2.002, block C3



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**GSPP organized an Open House Day on February 6, 2020 .**

GSPP Open House Day participants got to know more about GSPP programs, study curriculum, student exchange and career opportunities. Guests also took part in an interactive quiz after presentation.



# GSPP Students and Alumni

**GSPP MPA student Alisher Markhabat was appointed as deputy akim of the East Kazakhstan region.**

GSPP sincerely congratulates Alisher Markhabat and wishes him every success in his new position.



**GSPP MPA Alumni Zhusup Zhumagulov was appointed as deputy chief of staff of the akim of Nur-Sultan.**

GSPP sincerely congratulates Zhusup Zhumagulov and wishes him much success in his new job.



**GSPP MPA Alumni Tilektes Adambekov was appointed as IT-infrastructure Executive Director of Kazpost JSC.**

GSPP sincerely congratulates Tilektes Adambekov and wishes him every success in this exciting new post.



**GSPP MPA and MPP students participated in 2020 NASPAA-Batten Student Simulation Competition in Central European University, Budapest, Hungary.**

Indira Kyilybayeva (MPA), Zarina Malik and Aikerim Orken (MPP) took part in a Metropolitan: A Sustainable Transit Simulation along with 400 students from all over the world on February 29, 2020.



**The team of Indira Kyilybayeva (MPA 2019) won 2nd place at the 2020 Central European University Site - 2020 NASPAA-Batten Student Simulation Competition."This intense and long (8+ hours) simulation game was a great learning experience for all participants and made us rethink the complexity and agility of policymaking." - Indira Kyilybayeva.**





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