

Research Connections — E-Bulletin

CRRC-ISET Joint Library Opens to Research Community

The CRRC-Georgia library has recently joined the International School of Economics at Tbilisi State University (ISET) library and is now located on the fourth floor of the ISET building. The library provides users with access to its collection of over 1,500 English, Russian and Georgian language printed materials. Books are electronically catalogued and are searchable through the [web-site](#). Print materials are available on the open shelves and can only be used in the library. Electronic resources also abound. The library offers its users on-line access to databases of full text journals such as EBSCOhost and JSTOR. Anyone working/researching in the field of social sciences can use the CRRC-ISET library. The library has become especially popular among ISET students because of its resources, amazing view over Tbilisi and incredibly relaxing environment. For more information, click [here](#).

Selected Upcoming Events

- Presentation: [Social Capital, Civic Engagement and the Performance of Local Government in Azerbaijan](#), Baku, Azerbaijan, June 6 – Rafail Hasanov (ENG).
- Lecture: [Judicial Design and Election Disputes: Lessons from Armenia and Georgia](#), Yerevan, Armenia, June 9 – Bryon Moraski (ENG).
- Online Presentation: [Funnel the Money](#), Baku, Azerbaijan, June 10 – Lucas Shindeldecker (AZE).
- Training: [Questionnaire Design and the Study of International Migration](#), Tbilisi, Georgia, June 16-18 – Roger Penn (ENG).

For more events, please go to our country websites listed below.

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UNDP Report by CRRC Released

UNDP has released a report entitled the “Study of Economic Relations Between Georgia and Armenia: The Development of Regional Trade Related Growth in Samtskhe-Javakheti.” The report was coordinated by CRRC and commissioned by UNDP to support their Cross-Border Cooperation Project. The research focuses on the challenges of cross-border economic cooperation development between Samtskhe-Javakheti and Shirak Regions. See the full report [here](#).

CRRC-Armenia Presents Data on Migration at AIPRG Conference



AIPRG Conference

CRRC-Armenia Country Director Heghine Manasyan and Program Manager Arsen Aslanyan gave a presentation on migration and remittances at the Armenian International Policy Research Group’s (AIPRG) annual conference on May 17-18, 2008. Based on the [data from CRRC DI surveys](#), Heghine Manasyan and Arsen Aslanyan reported on migration related phenomena and trends that could impact Armenia’s further development and position in the South Caucasus region. The presentation was followed by a lively question and answer session on the DI data.

SPSS Online Crash Course

Three months ago CRRC made its SPSS Online Crash Course available and offered a series of video instructions on the basics of SPSS. Recently more advanced modules have been added in order to get people on track for confident SPSS usage. For example, you can learn how to re-code or split files in several minutes. Check out the modules at the CRRC-Regional [website](#).

The two day conference entitled “Looking Forward: Global Competitiveness of the Armenian Economy” was broadcast from the Armenian World Bank office via a special Internet channel and was hosted at the World Bank Headquarters in Washington, DC. For the first time this year, the program included three presentations from Yerevan. In addition to CRRC, Yerevan State University and World Bank Armenia also presented at the conference. Some of the conference sessions dealt with exchange rate dynamics; productivity and market structure; the competitiveness of the Armenian economy and growth; tourism and IT; and the role of Diaspora and education.

You can view the slideshow, which was presented by the CRRC-Armenia team [here](#). For more information on the conference, please visit AIPRG’s official [website](#).

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