

Call for Chapters

The end of the Soviet world

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Proposals Submission Deadline: **June 14, 2023**

Full Chapters Due: **September 28, 2023**

Objective

Our planned publication titled *The end of the Soviet world* aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the impact of political and social changes that have taken place in the countries of the former Soviet Union which contributed to the long-term collapse of the Soviet world, including civic revolutions and democratization, nationalisms and statehood-building, cultural reorientation towards the West. The book will also explore the broader dynamics in the region, starting in the late 1980s and continued until today. They include: political and economic transformation of Central Europe, EU and NATO expansion, internal changes within the Russian Federation and reorientation of its foreign policy. The book aims to provide new scholarship to understand what is known as the post-Soviet space which is understood as an area where the established republics are different from the Russian Federation and where certain processes have already blocked the possibility of the rebuilding of the former Soviet state.

Target Audience

The end of the Soviet world will be an essential reference for anyone seeking to understand the long-term processes taking place in the former Soviet republics and their consequences on today's dynamics taking place in the region. The publication will have significant impact on the field of Eastern European studies, providing valuable insights and information to help scholars and researchers to understand the implications of the changes that have taken place. It will also help foreign policy professionals to develop effective strategies for engaging with policymakers in countries such as Ukraine, Moldova or Georgia to develop effective

frameworks for their further political development. Overall, this publication will be a valuable resource for anyone interested in exploring the region of Eastern Europe.

Recommended topics

1. Civic revolutions and democratization
2. Nationalisms and statehood-building
3. Westernization and cultural reorientation
4. Western economic model and cooperation structures
5. Kremlin's narrative strategy and its different stages
6. Russia's foreign policy towards post-Soviet states
7. Russia's military interventions and the military doctrine
8. Frozen conflicts and open wars – instruments of power or destabilization?
9. The uncompleted 1989/1991 transformation
10. NATO/EU – enlargement or expansion

Submission procedure

Researchers and practitioners are invited to submit on or before **June 14, 2023**, a chapter proposal of 500 to 1,000 words clearly explaining the mission and concerns of his or her proposed chapter. Authors will be notified by **July 10, 2023** about the status of their proposals and sent chapter guidelines. Full chapters are expected to be submitted by **September 28, 2023**, and all interested authors must consult the guidelines for manuscript submissions prior to submission. All submitted chapters will go through a peer-revision process. Contributors may also be requested to serve as reviewers for this project.

Publisher

This book is scheduled to be published by ibidem-Verlag / ibidem Press in its highly acclaimed series [Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and Society \(SPPS\)](#) edited by **Andreas Umland**. Founded in 2004 and refereed since 2007, SPPS makes available, to the academic community and general public, affordable English-, German- and Russian-language scholarly studies of various empirical aspects of the recent history and current affairs of the former

Soviet bloc from the late Tsarist period to today. It publishes approximately 15-20 volumes per year, and focuses on issues in transitions to and from democracy such as economic crisis, identity formation, civil society development, and constitutional reform in CEE and the NIS. SPPS also aims to highlight so far understudied themes in East European studies such as right-wing radicalism, religious life, higher education, or human rights protection. All SPPS volumes are peer-reviewed. This publication is anticipated to be released in 2024.

Important Dates

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Notification of Acceptance: **July 10, 2023**

Full Chapter Submission: **September 28, 2023**

Review Results Returned: **October 28, 2023**

Final Acceptance Notification: **November 10, 2023**

Final Chapter Submission: **December 5, 2023**

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