



## Group of 78 Luncheon Speaker Series

# Piotr Dutkiewicz



## ***“The Russian Threat: Real or Manufactured?”***

**DATE: Tuesday November 1st, 2016**

**TIME: 12:00 noon (sharp)**

**PLACE: Palais Imperial Restaurant, 311- 313 Dalhousie St., Ottawa**

**COST: \$30 for luncheon and presentation**

**\$5 for presentation only**

**(For presentation only, please plan to arrive by 12:45 p.m. Coffee and tea will be available.)**

**RESERVATIONS: [Group78@group78.org](mailto:Group78@group78.org) 613-565-9449 ext. 22 by Friday October 28, 2016 by 12:00 pm**

We regret that late registrations cannot be accepted.

*The group is required to pay for those who reserve but do not come.*

*Therefore, individuals who do not cancel their reservations at least 24 hours before the luncheon will be billed \$30.*

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The picture of an aggressive, expansionist Russia led by a scheming autocrat beholden to a coterie of corrupt, unprincipled and violent oligarchs actively threatening all of the small, peace loving, democratic states on its borders, while supporting terrorism elsewhere in the world, is one being painted and elaborated almost daily by a remarkably single-minded western media. But just how accurate is this picture? And what is the impact is this demonization having on Russia's internal politics - and policies? And what might an alternative - more moderate or reasonable - "western" approach to Russia look like and/or be able to achieve?

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Recent publications include : The Social History of Post-Communist Russia, P.Dutkiewicz, V.Kulikov, R.Sakwa (eds.), Routledge, 2016; Piotr Dutkiewicz and Richard Sakwa (eds.), Eurasian Integration – The View From Within, Routledge 2015, Piotr Dutkiewicz and Richard Sakwa (eds.), 22 Ideas to Fix the World . Conversations with the World's Foremost Thinkers, New York University Press, 2013; Piotr Dutkiewicz and Vladislav Inozemtsev (eds.), Democracy versus Modernization, A Dilemma for Russia and for the World, Routledge Publishers , 2012; Piotr Dutkiewicz & Dmitri Trenin eds.,*Russia - The Challenges of Transformation*, NYUP, 2011 ; Piotr Dutkiewicz, Alison Keating, Maryana Nikoula, Evgeni Shevchenko, " Juvenile Justice in Russia", AUCC, 2009.