

# Russian Independent Journalism and Society Amid the Backdrop of War

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Sonya Groysman and Olga Churakova were among the first Russian journalists to be labeled “foreign agents” in Russia. In their lecture, they argue that this status is used to marginalize people and makes it impossible for a full-time journalist to work in Russia.

In his introductory remarks, lawyer Maxim Krupsky discusses how Russia’s “foreign agents” legislation has been tightened over the past 11 years.

This lecture at Tufts University is part of a series of talks by media professionals and experts on Russia organized by The Moscow Times at leading universities and research centers around the world.

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