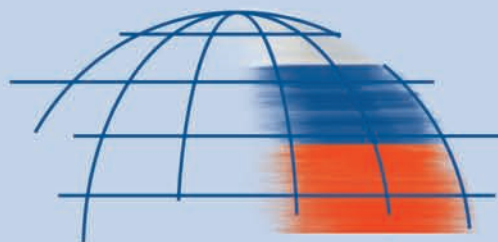


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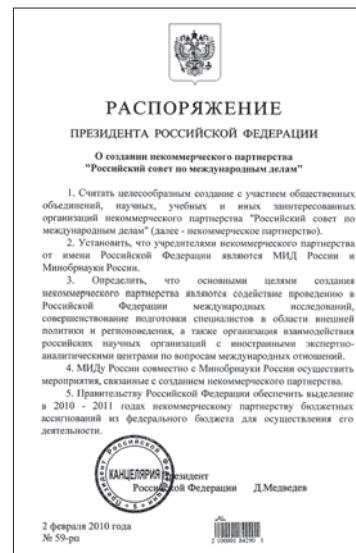
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About RIAC

President of the Russian Federation. Executive Order



On the Establishment of a Non-profit Partnership “Russian International Affairs Council”

1. The establishment a non-profit partnership “Russian International Affairs Council” (hereinafter “non-profit partnership) with the participation of scientific, educational, and public institutions and other stakeholders is deemed appropriate.
2. The Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Education and Science are designated as founders of the non-profit partnership.
3. The key objectives for the establishment of this non-profit partnership are to assist international studies undertaken in the Russian Federation, to improve training for the international relations and regional studies specialists, to organize cooperation between Russian scientific institutions and foreign analytical centers on the issues of international relations.
4. Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs together with the Ministry of Education and Science shall undertake the establishment of the non-profit partnership.
5. Government of the Russian Federation shall allocate in 2010-2011 funds from the federal budget to the non-profit partnership for its operation.

Russian Federation President

D. Medvedev

February 02, 2010, № 59-пн

Remark of the Russian Federation President

“...the Russian International Affairs Council was established two years ago. We supported this initiative and I think we were right to do so. I hope that the civil society representatives, scholars, diplomats, and military people on the council feel the real demand we have for their views and contribution...”

*D. Medvedev, President of the Russian Federation (2008–2012),
comment made at the conference Euro-Atlantic Security Community: Myth or Reality? Moscow, March 23, 2012.*

Extract from the Address by the Russian Federation Minister of Foreign Affairs

“The establishment of RIAC is fully in line with the current international trends and general practice. Foreign policy has long ceased to be the exclusive domain of foreign services and is developed and implemented with the participation of academic circles, NGOs and businesses. Today we speak about the creation of a new global governance system and the significance of analysis, forecasting, the ability to correctly identify the prevailing trends in the global and regional development cannot be overemphasized. Obviously, those who succeed in these undertakings it shall get a head start in the implementation of their foreign policy and promotion of state interests”.

*Extract from the Address made by Russian Foreign Minister S. Lavrov
to the General Meeting of RIAC members on July 20, 2011.*

“...We recognize the practical importance of the analytic materials produced by the Russian International Affairs Council on various foreign policy priorities as well as the authoritative publication Russia in the Global World: 2000-2011 and reference book International Research in Russia prepared by RIAC...”

*Comment made by Russian Foreign Minister S. Lavrov on March 14, 2012
at a meeting with representatives of Russian NGOs.*



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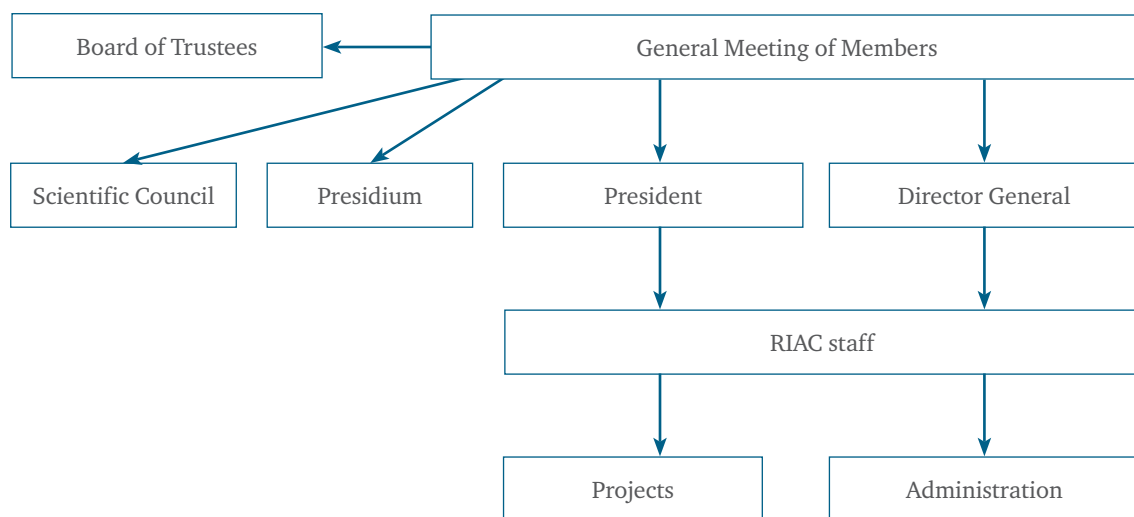
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- Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs
- Interfax International Information Group

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RIAC mission is to contribute to Russia's prosperity through integration in the global world.

RIAC is a link between the state, expert community, business and civil society involved in resolving foreign policy issues.

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- Russian APEC Studies Center / www.apec-center.ru

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- Federal Agency for Commonwealth of Independent State Affairs, Compatriots Living Abroad and International Humanitarian Cooperation (Rossotrudnichestvo) / rs.gov.ru

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RIAC ACTIVITIES

Research and Expert Analysis Work

Our aim

Our aim is to provide analyses and forecasts of global risks and opportunities for the benefit of Russian diplomacy, businesses, educational centers, public organizations, and their foreign peers.

RIAC

- Initiates scholarly studies of the most burning issues of world politics;
- Commissions academic and independent research centers to produce analytical and information surveys;
- Undertakes complex research projects in the interests of governmental bodies, businesses, and international organizations;
- Carries out research projects in collaboration with leading Russian and foreign think tanks.

We effect large-scale research projects on the most challenging international issues, prepare analytical surveys and reports, promptly analyze force-majeure situations, and do translations of foreign publications. All that can be accomplished only in close cooperation with leading research centers and think tanks.

Education and Information Outreach Campaigns

Our aim

Our aim is to facilitate the training of career foreign policy personnel pool through integration into global educational environment.

RIAC

- Designs and promotes IR programs for various groups concerned;
- Offers a platform to integrate Russian universities into a mechanism of global knowledge and information sharing;
- Partners with leading educational centers in training international affairs specialists and in developing advanced educational programs.

We organize summer and winter schools, internship programs, master-classes conducted by renowned politicians and diplomats, initiate the development of new Russian textbooks and university curricula, and incentivize academic mobility and exchange programs.

One of our most important achievements is the creation of the RIAC Youth section in collaboration with some of the leading Russian universities with the view to form a personnel reserve for the foreign policy community. The Youth section aims to involve talented youth in resolving international issues and encourage them to participate in global projects and initiatives.

Communication and Public Activities

Our aim

Our aim is to support interaction between representatives of various professional groups in the context of world politics and international relations.

RIAC

- Sponsors discussions with key Russian and foreign government officials, including presidents, heads of governments, parliament speakers, etc.;
- Hosts RIAC club-member meetings;
- Facilitates interaction between representatives of various Russian and foreign professional communities;
- Collaborates with leading non-profit organizations and foundations in Russia and abroad.

We operate as an open and independent discussion forum and provide opportunities for co-operation between the Russian political establishment and civil society on international relations and foreign policy issues.

International Activities

Our aim

Our aim is to create favorable conditions for Russia's involvement in global processes through implementing multilateral network projects and initiatives.

RIAC

- Provides information support to Russian foreign policy in the field of public diplomacy;
- Explores the position of foreign counterparts with regard to Russian initiatives;
- Organizes and participates in international network projects;
- Works in partnership with councils for international affairs of foreign countries.

We create the conditions for cooperation with international partners on the key issues of foreign policy agenda, participate in international political initiatives, educational and research projects. We involve foreign partners in the implementation of Russian projects and programs.

Partnership with the Russia's leading organizations in the field of international cooperation is a key factor in the success of RIAC international activities.



RIAC Activities Formats

Analytical work formats (in partnership with international affairs experts)

- Expert comments – analytical assessments of current international developments.
- Analytical reports and surveys – a study of current challenges in international affairs and foreign policy.
- Translation of foreign and Russian articles and monographs.
- Organization of conferences, round-table events and panel discussions at high profile Russian and international forums.

Educational work formats (in partnership with universities and training centers)

- Summer and winter schools – short-term education programs for Russian and foreign young scholars.
- Training sessions, master classes and workshops aimed at various professional groups.
- Lectures given in Russia by prominent foreign scholars and pundits.
- Translation of foreign textbooks and manuals.
- Setting up the RIAC library and replenishing its collection with classical and most recent publications on international affairs.

Public and international activity formats

- Annual RIAC review conference involving the RIAC members and the RIAC governing bodies.
- Inviting leaders of the country. Presentations made by officials of foreign states and representatives of major businesses.
- Club meetings of the RIAC members – regular meetings for informal discussion of foreign policy problems and international projects.
- Thematic conferences, round tables and seminars on the topical issues in the world policy and international relations.

RIAC PROGRAMS



Projects by Regions and Functions

Postulates on Russia’s Foreign Policy (2012–2018)

One of the key RIAC tasks is to offer comprehensive practical solutions for international relations and cooperation in global and regional development for state bodies, businesses, NGOs and mass media.

The new political cycle in Russia made it necessary for the country to clarify the priorities in the development and implementation of its foreign policy. The Postulates of Russian Foreign Policy until 2018 were formulated for that end.



“The Postulates are designed to help launch a productive expert discussion on the development trajectory of foreign policy in the short and long term. In the proposed Postulates and also in its activities, the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC) proceeds from the assumption that the Russian foreign policy should be post-partisan, represent the interests of the whole society rather than of individual groups and political movements. Moreover, the discussion of a wide range of foreign policy issues is of purely practical significance for RIAC.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President

Publications

- Postulates on Russia’s Foreign Policy (2012-2018). RIAC report №4 / 2012.

Events

- RIAC club meeting to discuss the draft of Postulates on Russia’s Foreign Policy (2012-2018), February 2012, Moscow.





Russia and the Asia Pacific Region: Conceptual Basis for Security and Development Policy

The project is designed to assess Russia's interests in the Asia Pacific Region and to develop proposals for the optimal integration in the region. The development of the conceptual content for APEC Summit in Vladivostok (September 2012) and further evolution of its decisions were important parts of the project. The key event of the project is the annual Asia Pacific Forum in Moscow that is a respected platform for the discussion of relevant topics.

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“In general, the current situation in the Asia Pacific Region is favorable for Russia. The regional states do not create any obstacles, to say nothing of insuperable obstacles, for the Russia's progress, chiefly in economic terms, in the region. There is a vested interest in the active participation of Russia in the discussions of regional security and stability issues.”

*A. Panov, Chief Research Fellow of the Institute
for the U.S. and Canadian Studies*



“Further delays in the priority issue of the development of Siberia and the Russian Far East are unacceptable; it is vital that this turn towards “Asia” takes place in the fastest possible time and most productive manner to maintain the status of a global power with the real weight in the world.”

*V. Sumsky, Director of ASEAN Center, MGIMO- the Moscow State Institute of International
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Publications

- Russia’s Interests in the Asia-Pacific Region: Security and Development. RIAC Report №1 / 2012.
- Special edition of International Affairs journal in Russian and English, 2012.
- Russia’s Guiding Landmarks in the Asia-Pacific after the APEC Summit in Vladivostok. The Outcomes of the Second Asia-Pacific Forum. RIAC Report №8 / 2013.



Principal recommendations contained in the reports

- Promote the updating of APEC agenda and evolution of Russian priorities during the chairmanship of other countries.
- Maintain the positive momentum of Russia’s APEC chairmanship, including the implementation of transportation, energy and food security mega-projects.
- Encourage Russian innovative medium-size companies, including IT companies, to enter the Asia Pacific market.
- Facilitate the access of students and postgraduates from Asia Pacific countries and region’ most developed states to Russian universities.

Events

- Moscow Asia-Pacific Forum (held annually in October or November). First Forum – November 2011, Second Forum – October 2012.
- RIAC Summer School: APEC Youth Summit: Aims, Priorities, Prospects. Moscow Region, July 2012.
- Workshop, Promotion of Russian Universities in China, November 2012, Moscow.
- RIAC club meeting, Political Changes in the Leadership of the People’s Republic of China – Implications for the Country’s Domestic and Foreign Policy, December 2012, Moscow.





Raising the Efficiency of Russia's Participation in G8, G20 and BRICS

This project is designed to provide support for Russia's participation in global governance institutions and to generate recommendations for Russia's presidency of the G20 in 2013, the G8 and BRICS in 2014.

Project Director:

M. Larionova — Director, International Organizations Research Institute at the Higher School of Economics National Research University.



"G20, BRICS and G8 should be viewed through the prism of Russia's domestic economic and social development."

*M. Larionova, Director, International Organizations Research Institute
at the Higher School of Economics National Research University*

Publications

- G20, G8, BRICS Development Momentum and Russian Interests. RIAC report N 2/2012.
- Special edition of the International Organizations Reporter Journal.





*Principle
recommendations
contained in report*

- Institutional flexibility should be maintained, but the division of functions between them must be clarified.
- G20 agenda should focus on economic risks (budget gaps, etc.).
- G8 priorities should address the management of geopolitical and technological risks (conflicts, cyber-space threats, etc.).
- BRICS priorities should concentrate on the management of social risks (demographic gaps, migration, issues of human development, etc.).
- The priorities of the Russian chairmanship should link global issues with the key development directions for Russia.
- Promote coordination between G20, G8 and BRICS in managing the risks that currently fall out of the cooperation scope.

Events

- Panel discussion: Russia's Interests and Greater Participation in G20. Moscow, October 2011.
- Panel discussion: Russia's Interests and More Efficient Participation in G8. Moscow, November 2011.
- Panel discussion: Russia's Interests and More Efficient Participation in BRICS. Moscow, December 2011.
- Panel discussion: Transport Agenda for G20. Moscow, August 2012.
- Civil G20 Conference within the Russian G20 Presidency. Moscow, December 2012.





Russia and the Euro-Atlantic Community

The project aims to expand the positive relations between Russia and the Euro-Atlantic community, defuse existing tensions and identify new areas of cooperation that meet the interests of all participating states.

Project Director:

Al. Gromyko — Deputy Director, RAS Institute of Europe.



“So far Moscow and Brussels view each other as partners of upmost importance in virtually all aspects. Relations between them come a long way during two last decades, but there is still considerable development potential. Russia and EU are already closely intertwined in economy, science, culture and human contact.”

Al. Gromyko, Deputy Director, RAS Institute of Europe

Publications

- Conference materials: Euro-Atlantic Security Community: Myth of Reality? RIAC report №3 / 2012.





**Key Content
of the Report**

The report contains conceptual comments made by keynote speakers at four conference sessions:

- Humanitarian and Economic Aspects of Security,
- Common Values and Overcoming Mistrust,
- Russia and the EU: Potential for Cooperation,
- Military and Political Aspects of Security.



Events

- Conference, Euro-Atlantic Security Community: Myth or Reality. March 2012, Moscow.
- RIAC club meeting, Russia and Baltic States: Towards Normal Relations. May 2012, Moscow.
- Meeting with M. Lajchak, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic: EU and Russia: in Concert or Separately. December 2012, Moscow.





“Let me start straight away by answering the question before us: is the Euro-Atlantic security community a myth or reality? I think that it is still a myth for now, but a myth that must become reality; and this is something we can all take part in.”

*D. Medvedev, President of Russia (2008-2012),
speech at the Conference Euro-Atlantic Security Community:
Myth or Reality. March 2012, Moscow.*



“The world is very fragile. Anyone who contemplates the use of nuclear weapons is already insane. Weapons of mass destruction are too powerful to be entrusted to the people who are preoccupied with military affairs. Nuclear arms are primarily political arms. And the only way where we can together make progress towards a “nuclear zero” is through the understanding that war cannot resolve political differences between states. These two processes should run in parallel: renouncing war as solution to problems with other countries and minimizing the very possibility that weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear weapons, will be used.”

D. Rogozin, Deputy Premier of the Russian Federation Government



“Russia today is following the course towards active cooperation with the European Union. The ongoing dynamics of world integrations processes is such that one year counts for ten, so this cooperation should be established with no delays.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President



“Today, shaping the image of each other, we are laying a foundation for relations between future generations. We should break the vicious circle of stereotypes and focus on the resolution of really strategic rather than transitory tasks.”

*M. Lajchak, Deputy Prime Minister
and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic*

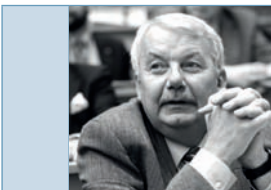


New Agenda for Russia-U.S. Relations

The project aims to expand the positive agenda of Russian-American relations, alleviate existing disagreements, and identify new avenues for cooperation in the two countries' mutual interests. The first stage of this project was focused on ABM issues.

Project director:

S. Rogov — Director, RAS Institute for the U.S. and Canadian Studies, RAS Full Member.



“The detente that followed the fifty years of the Gold War didn't evolve into a full partnership. Recently, the gap between the U.S and Russia has grown again and the arms control regime is on the edge of collapsing.”

S. Rogov, Director, RAS Institute for the U.S. and Canadian Studies

Publications

- Ten Years without ABM Treaty. The Missile Defense Issue in Russia-U.S. Relations. RIAC report №5 / 2012.
- RIAC and Global Zero Report: Nuclear Weapons and Strategic Stability: Looking for Russian-American Consensus in the 21st Century.
- RIAC report comprising materials from international conference on Nuclear Weapons and International Security in the 21st Century.





**Principle
recommendations
contained
in the report**

- Limit or minimize the negative implications of new BMD deployment for the strategic stability in the foreseeable future.
- Build up military and technical capabilities for the asymmetric response to BMD deployment by the US.
- Together with other countries intensify the efforts for concluding a treaty prohibiting the weaponization of outer space.
- Identify the main areas for the possible practical cooperation between Russia, the US and NATO on the defense against missile threats posed by third countries.
- Institutionalize the cooperation of Russia and US/NATO by concluding the relevant political agreements.
- Resolve the BMD problem stage-by-stage, renouncing the excessive expectations “of getting everything and at once”.

Events

- RIAC club meeting, Russia-US Relations: Military-Political Aspect. November 2011, Moscow.
- RIAC club meeting, New Agenda for Russia-US Relations (with the participation of Michael McFual, U.S. Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Russia). July 2012, Moscow.
- International Conference, Nuclear Weapons and Global International Security in the 21st Century (held jointly with Global Zero and MGIMO — the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs. November 2012, Moscow.





Russia and Japan: How to Solve the Problems in Bilateral Relations

The project aims to develop and explore new vehicles for the improvement of relations between Russia and Japan, including expert assessment of possible ways to alleviate the territorial dispute and its influence over other areas of relations; openings for the promotion of trade and economic ties; cooperation in the development of Siberia and Russian Far East.

Project director:

A. Panov — Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Chief Research Fellow of the RAS Institute for the U.S. and Canadian Studies.



“Our relations with Japan have a great potential, but it is largely untapped. It is both feasible and necessary to upgrade our relations, particularly against the background of regional problems shared by Russia and Japan.”

*A. Panov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary,
Chief Research Fellow of the RAS Institute for the U.S. and Canadian Studies*

Publications

- Current State of Russia’s Relations with Japan and Prospects for their Development. RIAC Report №6 / 2012.





**Principle
recommendations
contained
in the report**

- Establish and maintain a dialogue with the Japanese elite as a whole, not limited to Foreign Service officials.
- Create a bilateral public group to promote relations through public diplomacy.
- Launch a joint project to study complex issues in the bilateral relations.
- Offer a set of economically justified joint projects in Siberia and the Far East and implement them.
- Foster dialogue on security in Northeast Asia.
- Initiate business activities on the Kuril Islands, suggest option for their co-development.

Events

- Panel discussion: Russian-Japanese Relations: Status and Issues. May 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian-Japanese Relations: Prospects and Directions of Development. June 2012, Moscow.
- Meeting of RIAC members and experts with Japanese and Russian journalists. September 2012, Moscow.
- Conference: Russian-Japanese Relations: Ways to Solve Bilateral Problems. September 2012, Moscow.





Road Map for International Cooperation in the Arctic

The Road Map is a document setting out successive steps for Russia’s interaction with foreign states and international organizations in the Arctic over the period of 2012-2018. The project is intended to promote the realization of Russia’s national interests through effective international cooperation in the region. The Road Map offers diverse international cooperation in the Arctic region, including legal, institutional, natural resource, transportation, environmental, military, scientific and research aspects.

Project directors:

A. Zagorsky — Head of Section, IMEMO RAS.

A. Vylegzhanin — Head of International Law Department at MGIMO (the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



”Changes in the Arctic climate generate expectations of increased economic activity in the region due to the development prospects of its energy and mineral resources, prolonged navigation and expansion of fishing areas.”

A. Zagorsky, Head of Section, IMEMO RAS

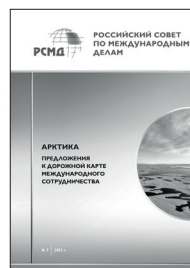


“Interpretation of the contemporary international law of the sea became so topical due to the melting of ice in the Arctic Ocean.”

A. Vylegzhanin, Head of International Law Department, MGIMO

Publications

- The Arctic: Proposals for the International Cooperation Roadmap. RIAC report № 7 / 2012.
- International Cooperation for the Protection of Environment, Conservation and Rational Management of Biological Resources in the Arctic Ocean. RIAC working paper №1 / 2013.





*Principle
recommendations
contained
in the report*

- Establish an international Arctic Business Council and hold regular meetings.
- Ratify the Espoo Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context.
- Coordinate with the Arctic states practical steps for setting of a moratorium on fish harvesting in the central basin of the Arctic Ocean.
- Carry out a comprehensive review of the Arctic states' laws on environmental protection, rules of navigation and fishing.
- Complete the preparation of the Arctic Council agreement on the readiness to respond to the offshore oil pollution in the Arctic.
- Discuss possible creation of joint rescue centers with neighboring Arctic states and promote relevant joint exercises.
- Finalize a binding International Safety Code for vessels navigating in polar waters.
- Ratify the 1990 Maritime Boundary Agreement with the United States.
- Accelerate drafting a Russia-U.S. Agreement on fishing.
- Reach agreement with Norway over outstanding fishing issues.
- Intensify the dialogue with interested non-Arctic states.
- Continue to provide evidence that the outer limits of the Russian Federation continental shelf in the Arctic Ocean extend beyond the boundaries of the Exclusive Economic Zone.





Events

- Panel discussion: Russia’s Interests in the Arctic and Regional Institutions of International Partnership. February 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Cooperation in Developing Mineral and Other Non-living Natural Resources of the Arctic Ocean Seabed, Including the Arctic Continental Shelf. April 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Arctic Cooperation in the Field of Transportation and Transport Infrastructure. June 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: International Cooperation in Responding to Emergencies, Search and Rescue Operations in the Arctic Ocean. June 2012, Moscow.
- RIAC and Northern (Arctic) Federal University Summer School for the Road Map for International Cooperation in the Arctic. July 2012, Arkhangelsk.
- International roundtable: International Cooperation for the Protection of Environment, Conservation and Rational Management of Biological Resources in the Arctic Ocean. (in cooperation with the Russian Association for the Law of the Sea and the Pew Foundation). September 2012, Moscow.
- Presentation of RIAC report at the Second International Forum “The Arctic: Present and Future”. December 2012, St. Petersburg.





Central Asia after a Possible Withdrawal of Coalition Forces from Afghanistan

The project aims to explore the likely consequences for the post-Soviet states of Central Asia (i.e. Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan) of the withdrawal of U.S. and allied troops from Afghanistan. The project also examines the political and economic dynamics in those countries in the context of the regional interests of Russia and its allies and partners.

Project Directors:

V. Naumkin — Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RAS Associate member.

I. Zvyagelskaya — Chief Research Fellow, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies.



“Inner boundaries, the uneven distribution of water resources and complex social structures are just a few of the components impacting the issue of political stability in Central Asia.”

V. Naumkin, Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies



“As was repeatedly noted, the Tunisia and Egypt-style scenarios of the Arab Spring would not work in the Central Asian countries despite the similarities of political systems and social problems. Life shows that social outbursts in the region are tightly linked with splits within the elites.”

I. Zvyagelskaya, Chief Research Fellow, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies





Events

- Panel discussion: New Situation in Central Asia after Possible Withdrawal of the United States and Allies from Afghanistan. October 2011, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Security in Central Asia in the Context of Afghanistan. January 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Situation in Central Asia and Prospects for Integration of Regional Power Grids. April 2012, Moscow.
- Situation analysis: Coalition Forces Withdrawal from Afghanistan: Challenges, Threats, Opportunities. July 2012, Moscow.
- RIAC and Urals Federal University Summer School: Central Asia – Security, Economy, Human Development. August 2012, Yekaterinburg.
- Panel discussion: Expansion of Russian Banks in Central Asia: Risks – Political Instability, Opportunities – Regional Integration Projects. September 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian Interests in Central Asia and Measures for their Realization. October 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian Interests in Central Asia and Measures for their Realization. December 2012, Moscow.





Russia and India: Toward a New Bilateral Agenda

This project involves integrated analysis of Russian-Indian bilateral relations; elaboration of advice for their medium-term (4-6 years) development; engagement of government bodies, businesses and civil society within the two countries in advancing bilateral relations; accessing untapped potential in the advancement of bilateral relations.

Project Director:

V. Trubnikov — General of the Army, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Russia, IMEMO RAS Directorate Member.



“The strategic partnership between Russia and India is natural and objective. The national interests of the two states concur or at least are not in contradiction. The geopolitical considerations predetermine the requirement for strengthening bilateral relations”.

V. Trubnikov, IMEMO RAS Directorate Member, General of the Army

Publications

- Postulates on Russia-India Relations.
RIAC working paper №3 / 2013.





Principle recommendations on the project

- Reiterate our support for granting India permanent member status on the UN Security Council and call for a universal support for Delhi's efforts to join APEC.
- Positive dynamics in Russia-India trade and economic relations can be achieved by multimodality, development of line shipping, creation of container trains and unified transportation scheme with fixed rates and declared transit time, and by providing customs privileges.
- Liberalize visa regime between Russia and India.
- Sign a bilateral preferential trade agreement with India.
- In the mid-term, launch cooperation with India for the construction of fast reactors.
- Enter the Indian market with unique solutions and technologies at the operational and sub-strategic level (such as ballistic missile defense, missile early warning systems, nuclear submarines and missile technologies) linking their supply to the conventional arms procurement deals.
- Strengthen links between universities and orient Russian higher education institutions at comprehensive cooperation with Indian partners.

Events

- Panel discussion: Russia and India: Toward a New Economic and Trade Agenda. September 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian-Indian Relations: A New Agenda for Military-Technical Cooperation. September 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian-Indian Relations: A New Agenda for Cultural and Technological Cooperation. October 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russian-Indian Relations: Cooperation for the Solution of Regional and Global Problems. October 2012, Moscow.





Middle East: Political Dynamics and Russia's Interests

The project involves the analysis of the short- and medium-term consequences of the “Arab Spring” for Russia’s interests in the region, drafting political resolutions, and drawing up practical steps for their implementation.

Project Director:

V. Naumkin — Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RAS Associate member.



“The Russian position is impeccable from the moral viewpoint: we support the primacy of international law, inclusive dialog, non-interference in domestic affairs and regard for sovereignty as is clear from our official position. Unfortunately, we find no support for this position from many of our partners in the West and East.”

V. Naumkin, Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies

Publications

- Russian and the Greater Middle East. RIAC Report №9 / 2013.
- Russia and the New Elites of the Arab Spring Countries: Opportunities and Prospects for Interaction. RIAC working paper №5 / 2013.





Principle recommendations contained in the report

- Establish and develop relations with all political forces of the Middle East countries via interstate channels, interparty and interregional cooperation and through NGOs.
- Develop and actively implement short and long-term strategies to counter the threat of the dissemination of radical Islam in Central Asia, the Caucasus and Russian regions, including the Northern Caucasus and Ural-Volga region.
- Enhance cooperation on the Middle East issues within BRICS; seek unanimous support for Russian policy from BRICS partners.
- Strengthen information support for our official position, addressing both domestic and foreign audiences, and that support should involve not only officials, but also by experts and journalists.
- Use our presence in the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and in the nonaligned movement to mediate and establish a dialog between Saudi Arabia and Iran.
- Seek the admission to specialized inter-Arab organizations whose profile is aligned with Russian interests.

Events

- Roundtable: Humanitarian Intervention: Legal Norms and Practice (jointly with Human Rights Watch NGO). April 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russia's Interests in the Greater Middle East and Obstacles to their Realization: Changes caused by the Arab Spring. October 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Specifics in the Establishment and Activities of New Political Elites in the Arab Spring Countries: the Russian Angle. October 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russia and Arab Spring Countries: Opportunities for Soft Power and Traditional Cooperation Vehicles. November 2012, Moscow.
- Panel discussion: Russia's Interests in the Middle East: Realization Opportunities in a New Environment. December 2012, Moscow.



Information and Reference projects



Russia in the Global World: 2001-2011. Anthology.

Six volumes of the Russia in the Global World, 2000-2011 Anthology comprise papers on the topical issues of global politics and participation of Russia in global and regional political processes. A separate volume contains foreign policy documents, conceptual statements of Russian leaders and key officials. The publication covers the period from 2000 till 2011 when the contemporary international relations were outlined. Each section is introduced by an eminent researcher's article specially written for that edition.



“We distinguish the practical value of RIAC analytical materials on diverse foreign policy priorities and also the value of “Russia in the Global World: 2000-2011” fundamental publication prepared by the Russian International Affairs Council.”

S. Lavrov, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs



“The experience gained during the preparation of this publication and its presentation demonstrated the demand for readers and anthologies on a wide range of international issues. RIAC will continue to compile similar collections within its projects.”

A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General

Publications

- The Anthology was published by Aspect Press Publishing House in December 2011.



Events

- The Anthology was presented to the RIAC Board of Trustees in December 2011 in Moscow.
- Presentation of the Anthology at the roundtable Russia and Central Europe: New Agenda and New Institutions. June 2012, Budapest (Hungarian Institute of International Relations).
- Presentation of the Anthology at the Convention of the Russian International Studies Association in Moscow (MGIMO University under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs). September 2012.
- Presentation of the Anthology at the Sixth Russian National Congress of Political Scientists in Moscow (MGIMO University under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs). November 2012.



Russia’s Foreign Policy: 2000–2020. Three-volume Edition

The three-volume edition includes the analysis of the current Russian foreign policy, forecasts for its evolution in 2012-2020 and fundamental documents.

The authors’ list includes almost 20 leading Russian foreign policy scholars from institutions of the Russian Academy of Sciences, including Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Institute of Oriental Studies, Institute for African Studies, Institute for Latin American Studies, Institute for European Studies, Institute for the U.S. and Canadian Studies, Institute for International Security Problems, MGIMO (the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Center for Post-Industrial Studies and Moscow Carnegie Center.

The articles were authored by more than twenty scholars.

The foreword was written by Academician Evgeny Primakov.

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| | <p>“The three-volume edition, which we offer to the reader, includes forecast estimates of Russia’s foreign policy until 2020. In fact, the next eight years are meant, and this short horizon makes forecasting more realistic.”</p> <p><i>E. Primakov, Academician of RAS, RAS Presidium Member, Chairman, RIAC Board of Trustees</i></p> |
| | <p>“It’s the first of the kind comprehensive survey of international relations that objectively demonstrates the role of Russia in the modern world and its potential to resolve global problems. The edition is addressed to the professional community of international relations experts and gives a gist of all key trends in the contemporary global policy.”</p> <p><i>A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General</i></p> |

Publications

- The three-volume edition was published by Aspect Press Publishing House in December 2011.

Events

- The three-volume edition was presented to the RIAC Board of Trustees in Moscow in December 2011.





International Studies in Russia. Reference Book.

International studies in Russia cover a number of domains and involve a lot of organizations and experts. The reference book prepared by RIAC is designed to systemize ample information on international studies in our country. The book consists of two parts: Part one describes research organizations, Part two describes experts. For the purpose of further updating the reference book was placed in e-format in the Internet at: ir.russiancouncil.ru and international experts can independently add information about themselves and new organizations.



“The fundamental reference book “International Studies in Russia” prepared by RIAC is of clear practical value. Its authors made a great and essential effort to catalogue organizations, research and scientific centers involved in international studies... In our opinion, the work presented by the Council undeniably contributes to the establishment of efficient links between various professional communities for accomplishing specific foreign policy tasks.”

V. Guseynov, Director, Institute of Strategic Studies and Analysis

Publications

- The Reference book was published by Spetzkniga Publishing House in December 2011.

Events

- The Reference book was presented to the RIAC Board of Trustees. December 2011, Moscow.
- Presentation of the Reference book within the presentation of RIAC in Ural Federal University. April 2012, Yekaterinburg.
- Presentation of the Reference book within the presentation of RIAC in Northern (Arctic) Federal University. May 2012, Arkhangelsk.
- Presentation of the Reference book at the roundtable Russia and Central Europe: New Agenda and New Institutions. June 2012, Budapest (Hungarian Institute of International Relations).
- Presentation of the Reference book at the General Meeting of RIAC members. June 2012, Moscow.
- Presentation of the Reference book at the Convention of the Russian International Studies Association in Moscow (MGIMO – the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs). September 2012.
- Presentation of the Reference book at the Sixth Russian National Congress of Political Scientists in Moscow (MGIMO – the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs). November 2012.





SIPRI Yearbook: Armaments, Disarmament and International Security (in the Russian language)

This project involves the translation of the SIPRI Yearbook into Russian and the preparation of an analytical addendum by scholars at the RAS Institute of World Economy and International Relations.

For almost 20 years the project has provided regular access to a world’s most reliable and well-known source of information and scholarly analysis for the greater part of the Russian government, the political and expert community engaged in the work related to international security, disarmament, and nonproliferation.

RIAC has supported the project since 2011.



“If we can really advance in Euro-Atlantic security issues it will bring a qualitative change in the international security as whole, allow uniting the efforts to counter current threats and challenges and successfully resolve development tasks.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President

Publications

- The Yearbook was published in November 2012.

Events

- Presentation of the Yearbook at the International Conference Nuclear Weapons and International Security in the 21st Century. November 2012, Moscow, MGIMO (the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs).
- The Yearbook was presented to RIAC Board of Trustees. December 2012, Moscow.





Migration in Russia. 2000–2012. Anthology.

The Anthology contains articles and abstracts from books of Russian and foreign researchers of migration in 2000-2012. Volume 1 covers the problems of migration and current tendencies in this area that have emerged during the first decade of the XXI century. Each section is introduced by an article of the lead researcher. Volume 2 analyses topical issues in migration legislation and migration policy that arose in the first decade of the XXI century. Volume 3 constitutes a collection of bibliographic descriptions of books, articles and reports on migration that have been published in Russia over the past 12 years. The Reader is intended for students, scholars, experts, journalists and government officials interested in or dealing with migration issues.



“In Russia the migration is mainly perceived as a domestic policy topic. But today it has expanded to the foreign policy level. International relations have long since outgrown the relations between states and became a complex and multidimensional process.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President

Publication

- The Anthology was published by Spetzkniga Publishing House in 2013.

Events

- Panel discussion involving authors of the introductory articles and leaders of topical blocks, August 2012, Moscow.
- Meeting of RIAC management with K.O. Romodanovskiy, Head of FMS of Russia and E.Yu. Egorova, State Secretary, First Deputy Head of FMS of Russia, September 2012, Moscow.





Migration Field of Russia. Reference Book

The reference book describes Russian organizations and experts studying migration. The publication contains brief resumes of the experts, contact information, and core activities of organizations. The book will be useful for experts, researchers, civil servants, journalists, students and anyone who is interested in the Russian studies of migration processes.



”In the XXI century the competitiveness of Russia will depend on its ability to transform the migration processes from a social issue into a competitive advantage. This is the challenge for Russia in the coming decades, but a hard one to be handled alone. For the successful transformation of migration into an asset for national growth, for the modernization of the country and its advance towards the global world a broad coalition of organizations and authorities is needed to coordinate the efforts.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President

Publications

- The reference book was published by Spetskniga Publishing House in 2013.

RIAC Website



russiancouncil.ru

RIAC website was intended to become a source of information and analytical materials to support RIAC projects and programs and to publish the comments of RIAC members as well as Russian and international experts on a wide range of international relations, global policy and economy issues. Pursuing the educational goals of the Council the site focuses on the cataloguing and publication of data on international affairs (links to statistics, indices, e-libraries, periodicals, and supplements) for students, post-graduates, and specialists studying international affairs.

A unique feature of the website is a combination of top quality publications covering a wide range of international studies and up-to-date presentation of information with an easy access.

A website development concept envisages its transformation into a discussion platform uniting domestic and foreign audience.



“RIAC website is unique in the Russian Internet today. It organizes discussions for the community of international relations experts on the topical issues of global economy and international relations.”

A. Dynkin, Director, IMEMO, RAS Full Member

In the first year of operation RIAC website:

- published more than **250** expert comments and about **200** articles of the Council members.
- became one the most popular Russian Internet resources on international topics. The monthly audience of the site is over **fifty thousand** unique users.
- there are more than **ten thousand** subscribers to the regular newflashes.
- on the average, every article published on the site is read by **1500** persons.
- more than **two thousand** sites, including social networks and blogs, quote RIAC materials.



Series of analytical articles

World in 100 years

A series of articles covering a wide range of international issues – from the forecasted changes of political boundaries to the future of power industry, outlooks for the outer space exploration, evolution of languages etc. 100 articles are planned for this series.



Disintegration of the Soviet bloc

22 articles covering the disintegration of the Soviet Union and the bloc of Socialist states in the Eastern Europe twenty years ago.



Global science

A series of analytical comments and interviews on the common topic - how to publish an article in international scientific and political journals.



Diplomacy

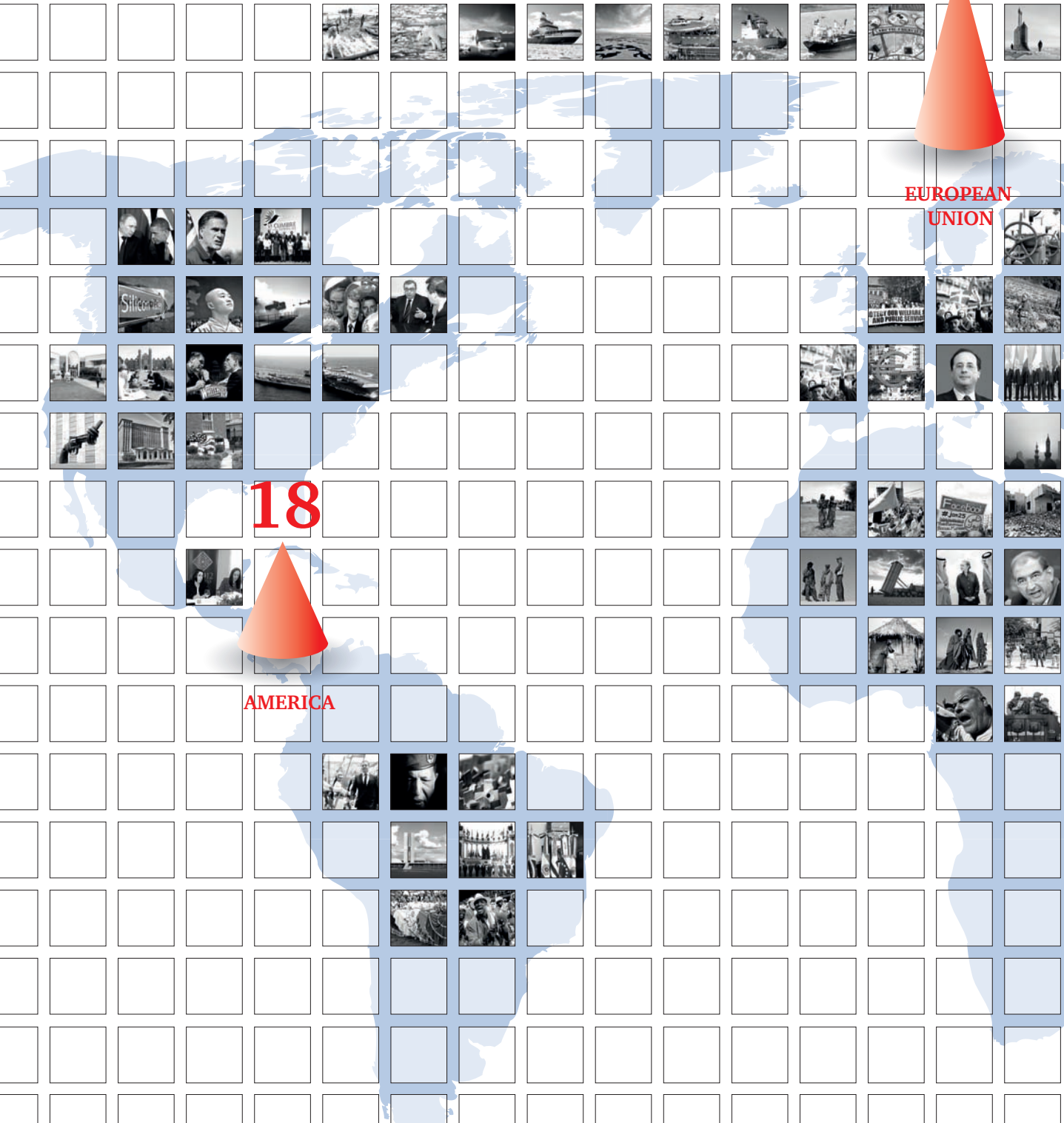
This series includes articles on different types of contemporary diplomacy: civil, public, digital diplomacy, diplomacy of sport, etc.



There are also such series as Languages of the World, Cinema and International Relations, Migration Processes, Compatriots Abroad.

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Geography of analytical comments on the website



RIAC blogs

To catalyze discussions RIAC website in May 2012 launched blogging enabling the users to share live information and discuss the latest international events. The blogs quickly won the interest of the readers and by the end of 2012 became one of the most visited pages of the site with the daily audience over 1,000 unique users.

16 blogs were opened during the year.

The most visited blogs of 2012:

- Contemporary Middle East
- Current processes in Asia-Pacific
- From the Arctic with Love
- The Balkans' Diary
- Islam and Migration
- The Afghan Continent in the Global Policy

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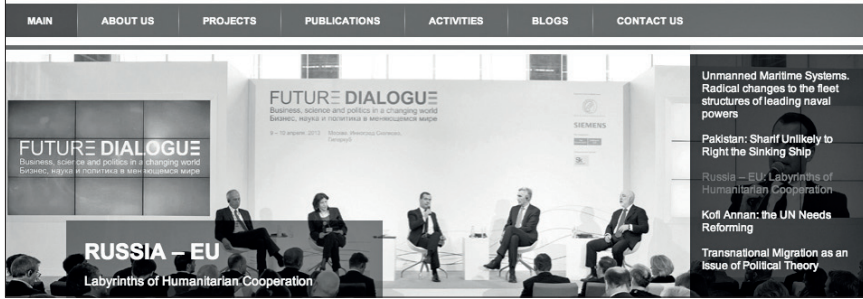
The website offers reference information on the latest professional publications, databases of information sources and e-libraries on international relations.

- **Library** section announces new Russian and foreign publications recommended to the readers. Most interesting books are reviewed by the leading Russian experts.
- **Database of International Statistics and Indices** contains 16 sources of statistical data that can be used for international studies.
- Regularly updated section **E-libraries** offers the annotated listing of dedicated e-libraries with quality collections of books on international relations and foreign policy.
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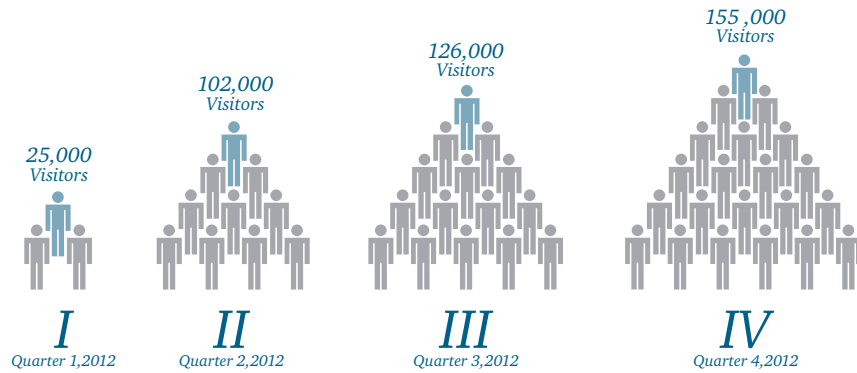
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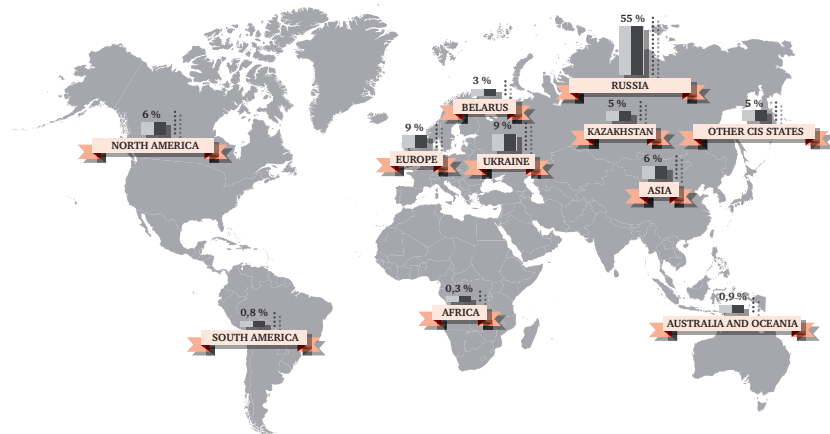


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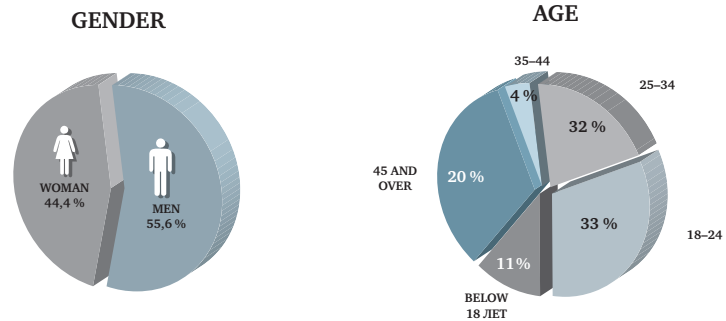
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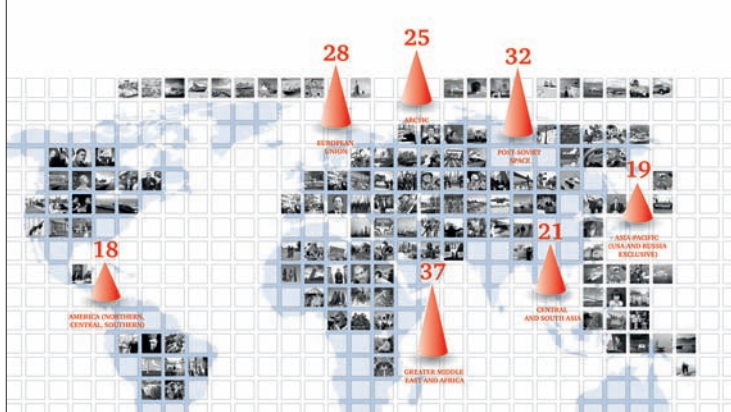


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- **Russia and Kazakhstan: Twenty Years of Sovereign Cooperation**
Vyacheslav Dolgov, Professor, Diplomacy Department, MGIMO University, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, RIAC expert

- **Relations between Independent Kyrgyzstan and Russia: Present and Future**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Russia and Latvia: Twenty Years Apart, What Next?**
Vladislav Vorotnikov, Junior Research Fellow, North European and Baltic Studies Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Twenty Years of Russian-Lithuanian Dialogue: Results and Outlook**
Vladislav Vorotnikov, Junior Research Fellow, North European and Baltic Studies Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Moldova May Integrate into Europe. Should Russia Let it Go?**
Octavian Milevsky, Political Scientist, RIAC expert
- **The 20th Anniversary of a Sovereign Moldova**
Lyudmila Fokina, Research Fellow, RAS Institute of Economics, RIAC expert
- **Russian Policy in the Post-Soviet Space: Cycles and Labyrinths**
Irina Bolgova, Ph.D. in History, Research Fellow, Post-Soviet Studies Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Tajikistan: Results of the Parade of Sovereignties**
Leonid Blyakher, Doctor of Philosophy, Professor, Philosophy Department, Pacific State University
- **Turkmen-Russian Relations in the Post-Soviet Era**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Russia and the CIS Countries: Relations Mature**
Dmitry Trenin, RIAC Member, Director, Carnegie Moscow Center
- **A Diplomatic Crisis**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Challenges of Eurasian Integration**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center at MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **Russia's Soft Power in the Baltic**
Vadim Smirnov, Director, Baltic Studies Institute, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, RIAC expert
- **Second Chance for the CSTO**
Yulia Nikitina, Ph.D. in Political Science, Research Fellow, Post-Soviet Studies Center, Institute for International Studies, MGIMO University Post-Soviet Studies Center, RIAC expert
- **Don't Mess with Success**
Yuri Zverev, Ph.D. in Geography, Deputy Pro-Rector for Research, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, RIAC expert
- **Future Transportation and Logistical Ties between Russia and the Baltic**
Ivan Gumenyuk, Ph.D. in Geography, Socio-Economic Geography and Geopolitics Department, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, RIAC expert

- **The Eurasian Union and Migration**
Olga Troitskaya, Ph.D. in Political Science, Specialist in Migration and Conflict Resolution, RIAC expert
- **Would a Eurasian Economic Union Replace the Union State?**
Andrei Suzdaltsev, Deputy Dean, Faculty of World Economy and International Affairs, Higher School of Economics National Research University, RIAC expert
- **Social and Cultural Conditions of Eurasian Integration**
Rustam Ganiev, Ph.D. in History, Russian History Department, Urals Federal University, RIAC expert
- **Oralman: Ethnically Relative but Socially Foreign**
Igor Savin, Ph.D. in History, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RIAC expert
- **The Baltic States' Role in Russia-NATO Relations**
Vadim Voinikov, Ph.D. in Law, Assistant Professor, Department of International and European Law, Coordinator of European Law Block, European Cooperation Center, Immanuel Kant Federal Baltic University, RIAC expert
- **Lithuanian Elections: Any Changes Expected on the "Eastern Front"?**
Leonid Karabeshkin, Ph.D. in Political Science, Project Coordinator, Research Centre for International and Regional Politics (St. Petersburg), Lecturer, Euroacademy (Tallinn), RIAC expert
- **Russia and Georgia: Prospects for Detente**
Nikita Mendkovich, Expert, Center for Modern Afghanistan Studies, RIAC expert

Education and science

- **Russia in the Global Web: Digital Diplomacy and New Opportunities in Science and Education**
Elena Zinov'yeva, Ph.D. in Political Science, Political Processes Department, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **The Republic of Poland: Supporting the Export of Educational Services**
Igor Zhukovsky and Vladimir Balobayev, Center for Polish Studies, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, RIAC experts
- **An Anthology of Russian Foreign Policy: The First Decade of the 21st Century**
Vagif Gusseinov, Director, Institute for Strategic Assessments and Analysis, RIAC expert
- **Trailing in World Ratings**
Igor Baranov, Ph.D. in Economics, Higher School of Management, St. Petersburg State University, RIAC expert
- **Mobile Apps for International Studies**
Dmitry Amelin, IT specialist, RIAC expert
- **An Impalpable Presence**
Irina Busygina, Doctor of Political Science, Professor, Comparative Politics Department, MGIMO University, RIAC expert

- **Alexander Lennon: Accepted Articles Should be Prescriptive and Make an Argument**
Interview with Alexander Lennon, Editor-in-Chief, the Washington Quarterly, Center for Strategic and International Studies
 - **Publish or Perish?**
Igor Baranov, Ph.D. in Economics, Higher School of Management, St. Petersburg State University, RIAC expert
 - **Publish or Perish? Not Exactly**
Mark N. Katz, Professor of Government and Politics, George Mason University, RIAC expert
 - **Interviews with editors of the American Political Science Review**
Two interviews with John Ishiyama and Steven Ford, editors of the leading political journal American Political Science Review
 - **Viktor Koksharov: Universities Must Be Prioritized to Reach the International Level**
Interview with Viktor Koksharov, Rector, Boris Yeltsin Urals Federal University, RIAC member
 - **Interview with the winners of the Global Prospects 2011 contest**
Interview with Olga Kul'kova, Sergey Ivanov and Oleg Shakirov, winners of the "Global Prospects 2011" contest for best research papers by young international studies scholars
 - **Not Science but Political Journalism**
Interview with Andrey Korobkov, Professor of Political Science, Tennessee State University (USA)
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- **Elections in Kazakhstan: A Projection for Central Asia**
Alexey Vlasov, Ph.D. in History, Deputy Dean, History Faculty, Moscow State University, RIAC expert
 - **American Drones in Pakistan's Borderlands**
Nikita Mendkovich, Expert, Center for Modern Afghanistan Studies, RIAC expert
 - **Intermediate Outcomes of the Afghan Conflict**
Andrey Sushentsov, Ph.D. in Political Science, Department for the Applied Analysis of International Issues, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
 - **Russia's Military Base in Tajikistan is Chiefly Needed to Ensure Tajikistan's Security**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
 - **The Energy Industry in Central Asia — Challenges and Prospects**
Igor Tomberg, Doctor of Economics, Director, Center for Energy and Transport, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RIAC expert
 - **Terrorism Threatens Regional Stability**
Natalya Zamaraeva, Ph.D. in History, Senior Research Fellow, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RIAC expert

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- **Afghan Transit and Russia's Interests**
Nikita Mendkovich, Expert, Center for Modern Afghanistan Studies, RIAC expert
- **Prospects for Energy Cooperation in Central Asia**
Victor Korgun, Doctor of History, Professor, Head of the Afghanistan Sector, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RIAC expert
- **Russia and the West: Different Views on Afghanistan after 2014**
Andrei Kazantsev, Doctor of Political Science, Senior Research Fellow, Euro-Atlantic Security Center, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **The Irtysh River in the Hydropower Policy of Russia, Kazakhstan and China**
Ksenia Muratshina, Boris Yeltsyn Urals Federal University, RIAC expert
- **NATO's Withdrawal from Afghanistan: Problems and Risks**
Victor Korgun, Doctor of History, Professor, Head of the Afghanistan Sector, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, RIAC expert
- **Water, Water Everywhere**
Albert Zulkharneev, Coordinator, Security in Central Asia and Russia Project, Director, PIR Center Education Program, RIAC expert
- **Obama's Central Asian Strategy**
Alexey Fenenko, Ph.D. in History, Leading Research Fellow, RAS Institute of International Security Problems, RIAC expert
- **Is an Alliance between the Taliban and Iran Possible?**
Nikita Mendkovich, Expert, Center for Modern Afghanistan Studies, RIAC expert
- **The Search for Turkey's New Identity and Foreign Policy**
Victor Nadein-Raevsky, Ph.D. in Philosophy, IMEMO, RIAC expert
- **Mikhail Titarenko: Xi Jinping — Likely Secretary General of Chinese Communist Party**
Interview with Mikhail Titarenko, Director, RAS Institute of the Far Eastern Studies, RAS Full Member, RIAC member
- **From Impoverished Bharat to Great India**
Sergey Lunev, Doctor of History, Professor, Oriental Studies Department, MGIMO University, RIAC expert

Power

- **The Future of the International Nuclear Energy Industry**
Ildar Akhtamzyan, Ph.D. in History, MGIMO University, RIAC expert
- **China's Energy Strategy**
Adolf Makhin, Ph.D. in Technical Science, Chief Expert, Executive Committee for the CIS Electric Power Council, RIAC expert
- **Trevor Findlay on Reform of the IAEA**
Trevor Findlay, Professor, Australian diplomat, UN Delegate and CIGI Center expert
- **What Shale Gas Brings to Russia**
Alexey Mastepanov, Doctor of Economics, Russian Academy of Natural Sciences Full member, Deputy Director of RAS Institute for Deep Oil and Gas Deposits, Board member, Institute for Energy Strategy, RIAC expert

Technologies

- **Ivan Timofeev (IQ ONE): IT Becoming Russia's Brand**
Interview with Ivan Timofeev, Director General of IQ One, RIAC corporate member
- **Hidden Threats from Foreign Software**
Anatoly Malyuk, Ph.D. in Technical Science, Professor, Head of the Cybernetics and Information Security Department, Moscow Engineering Physics Institute National Research Nuclear University, RIAC expert



Educational Programs and Contests

Joint Projects with Russian Universities — RIAC Corporate Members

The cooperation between RIAC and universities is intended to assist the creation of universities network to ensure efficient exchange of information, educational, scientific and human potential and contribute to the internationalization of education in the humanities in Russia and to rank up Russian universities in global ratings.



“Interaction with a young generation of scientists is particularly important today, that’s why we invite universities to the active cooperation with RIAC and expect new proposal and new initiatives.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President



“The priority task of today is to combine international interests of Russian universities, government, and private sector. We need to summarize the best practices of Russian higher education institutions, ensure the feedback to governmental initiatives and involve universities in the implementation of practical foreign policy solutions.”

A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General



“Educational initiatives must meet the challenges of a new more open world. It’s not the quantity, but the quality of educational programs and events that needs improvement.”

I. Timofeev, RIAC Program Director



Universities — RIAC Corporate Members

- Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University;
- Moscow State Institute of International Relations (University) under the Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- Moscow State Linguistic University;
- Russian State University for the Humanities;
- Saint Petersburg State University;
- Lomonosov Northern (Arctic) Federal University ;
- Siberian Federal University;
- Boris Yeltsin Urals Federal University.

Events

- Panel discussion of strategic goals for the development of a social function in Russian higher education (participants: RIAC, Rosmolodezh, Skolkovo Moscow management school, V. Potanin Foundation and New Eurasia Foundation), May 2012, Moscow.
- II International Conference Internationalization Imperatives (sponsored by RIAC and National Workforce Training Fund), May 2012, Moscow.
- Speech of RIAC General Director at the International Meeting of Experts for the advancing of Russian higher education institutions Schools to TOP 100, August 2012, Yekaterinburg (Boris Yeltsin Urals Federal University).
- Speech of RIAC General Director at the all-Russia conference Internationalization of Social and Human Sciences in Russian Higher Education Institutions: Challenges and Prospects (INO-Center), September 2012, Moscow.
- Speech of RIAC General Director at the International Conference Future is Built Today and by Us: University-Region-Business (New Eurasia Foundation), November 2012, Moscow.
- Working meeting of the experts' group for the project Internationalization of Russian Universities: Chinese Vector as a Part of Asia-Pacific Direction, November 2012, Moscow.
- Speech of RIAC General Director at the meeting-seminar of rectors and vice-rectors of Russian higher education institutions on international issues, December 2012, Moscow (People's Friendship University of Russia).
- Meeting of RIAC management with universities – RIAC members and partners, December 2012, Moscow.



Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University

RIAC members' visits

May 18-21, 2012 – Vladislav Inozemtsev, Scientific Director, Post-Industrial Society Studies Center

- Lecture: Kaliningrad: a Bridge to Europe or a Bridgehead for a Non-existent Army?
- Lecture: Economic and Geopolitical Positioning of Russia in the Modern World.

June 28–30, 2012 – Pyotr Stegniy, RIAC member, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation, Director, Russian-Polish Center of Dialog and Consent

- Lecture: European Union and Russia in the Middle East: Share Hopes, Share Frustrations.
- Lecture: History of Poland' Divisions: Interpretations in History and Historic Policy.

July 23–29, 2012 – Alexey Gromyko, Deputy Director, RAS Institute of Europe

- Lecture: European Union 2030.
- Seminar: Is EU a Dying Center of Power?





“Kaliningrad Region is a kind of the Baltic Sea Hong Kong. Consequently, a number of measures aimed to ensure the inflow of migrant workers, to improve the competitiveness of manufactured goods, tax cuts, and to abolish visas should be taken for the successful development of the region. A distinction of Kaliningrad economic zone should not be reached by an artificial establishment of internal economic relations, but by a full re-orientation of the Kaliningrad economy towards the Western market.”

V. Inozemtsev, Scientific Director, Center for Post-Industrial Studies



“An attempt to apply a geopolitical approach studying Poland’s divisions is justified by the situation that we faced after 1991. New, fresh, customized approaches are needed to understand what happened to Russia and to Poland in the course of history.”

P. Stegny, Director, Russian-Polish Center of Dialog and Consent



“The westernmost part of Russia – Kaliningrad Region – will play a major role in the relations between Europe and Russia. This applies not only to policy and security issues, but also to the economic development and tourist industry development. Ultimately, everything will depend on what decisions will be taken by certain politicians.”

Al. Gromyko, Deputy Director, RAS Institute of Europe



Saint Petersburg State University

RIAC members' visits

April 5, 2012 – Vladislav Inozemtsev, Scientific Director, Center for Post-Industrial Society Studies

- Lecture: Russia in the Global System of Geopolitical Coordinates.

December 4–5, 2012 – Alexey Gromyko, Deputy Director of the RAS Institute of Europe

Lecture: European Union: Current Status and Outlooks.

December 11–12, 2012 – Pyotr Stegnyy, RIAC member, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation, Director of Russian-Polish Center of Dialog and Consent

- Lecture: Arab Spring: Regional and Global Contexts.

Lectures of foreign experts sponsored by RIAC

September 11, 2012 – Arild Moe, researcher, Deputy Director, Fridtjof Nansen Institute (Norway)

- Lecture: The Changing Arctic: Outlook for Economic Development and International Relations.

October 3, 2012 – Lassi Heininen, researcher, Assistant Professor, Oulu University (Finland)

- Lecture: New Global Challenges in the Northern Security of the Arctic Region.

October 15, 2012 – Thomas Jonter, Professor, Stockholm University (Sweden)

- Lecture: Why didn't Sweden Create Nuclear Weapons?



“Russia is able to influence the balance of force between global centers, but should the current tendencies prevail this influence will be limited.”

V. Inozemtsev, Scientific Director, Center for Post-Industrial Society Studies



“A rather long period of the European Union expansion is followed by the period of deeper integration and consolidation. The Union is on the threshold (or has already gone over) its second “rebooting” after the adoption of the Single European Act in 1986 and the Maastricht Treaty in 1992. EU returns to the slogan “a federation of national states” and to “communitarian method” logic.”

Al. Gromyko, Deputy Director of the RAS Institute of Europe



“The “Arab Spring” that started as a “web-revolution” of the middle class, gave the power to the conservative forces of Islamic spectrum — from fundamentalists to extreme groups, part of which follow the theocratic slogans. Regimes that became political history were predictable, knew and followed rules of the game, didn’t cross “red lines” thus defining the regional stability. Political positions of new Islamic elites are rather vague.”

P. Stegnyy, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation





Lomonosov Northern (Arctic) Federal University

RIAC members' visits

December 6–7, 2012 – Alexey Gromyko, Deputy Director of the RAS Institute of Europe

- Lecture: European Union: Current Status and Outlooks.

Events held with RIAC assistance

- International Conference Cooperation in the Barents Euro-Atlantic region in the Field of Education and Research as a Resource for Regional Development (organized by Northern (Arctic) Federal University and Tromse University (Norway)), November 2012, Arkhangelsk.
- Seminar International Intellectual Property held by President of Patent Hatcher (USA) Nadezhda Reingand, Ph.D. in Physics and Mathematics, December 2012, Arkhangelsk.



“Today only few believe that Europe can become the leading force in the XXI century. I disagree. My vision of EU future almost excludes the catastrophic scenario. The domestic political and social-economic situation will probably stabilize by the end of the decade and Europe will further exist as an economic and political force. But it doesn't mean that the EU will pass the coming years without new waves of crisis and problems.”

Alexey Gromyko, Deputy Director of the RAS Institute of Europe





Boris Yeltsin Urals Federal University

RIAC members' visits

April 17–19, 2012 – Fyodor Lukyanov, Editor-in-Chief, “Russia in Global Affairs” journal

- Lecture: Specifics of Relations between Russia, China and the US (including Central Asia Region).

December 14–17, 2012 – Vitaly Naumkin, Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies

- Lecture: Central Asia States: Security Issues.

Lectures by Foreign Experts Sponsored by RIAC





September 19–2, 2012 – Xia Yishan, Director of China Energy Strategy Research Center at China Institute of International Studies of Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- Lecture: SOC and the Issue of Central Asia Region Stability.
- Lecture: Model of Chinese Economy Development, Outlooks and Russia-China Economic Cooperation.

RIAC roundtable on the situation in Central Asia after the possible withdrawal of coalition troops from Afghanistan

On April 26, 2012, at the conference The First Yeltsin Readings, Russia and Central Asia: Strategies of Cooperation, RIAC organized a roundtable to analyze Central Asia issues. Participants of the roundtable – RIAC members and experts and representatives of the University discussed the situation in Central Asia in the aftermath of possible coalition forces withdrawal from Afghanistan as well as Russia’s interests in the context of Central Asian countries’ security and development problems.



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|  | <p>“The Urals University has a comprehensive strategy of internationalization. We hope to clarify in the near future the criteria to include universities into the program of Russian higher education institutions advancement to Top-100 in QS World University Rankings, Times Higher Education and Shanghai rating. Obviously, significant efforts will be required to reach this goal.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>V. Koksharov, Rector, Urals Federal University</i></p> |
|  | <p>“The current harmony in the UN Security Council where Russia and China jointly vote on Iran, Libya and Syria gives an example of a valuable cooperation but with a reservation. Following Moscow’s fairway in relatively insignificant topics (the Middle East is important, but not critical) Beijing expects Russia to follow China when the Security Council tackles topics directly impacting the interest of PRC.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>F. Lukyanov, Editor-in-Chief, “Russia in Global Affairs” journal</i></p> |
|  | <p>“Today there are reasons to see Central Asia as a single region, as the states in its territory are united by a common history. But there is an opposite opinion: Central Asia countries have a lot of differences, integration schemes of interaction are not yet embraced by them, and a significant internal inconsistency is obvious”.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>V. Naumkin, Director, RAS Institute of Oriental Studies</i></p> |
|  | <p>”The conflict of Russian and Western views on the future of Afghanistan and post-Soviet Central Asia after the withdrawal of NATO troops leads to the confrontation of values and ideologies like in the Cold War times or Soviet-British rivalry in the East in 1920–1930.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>A. Kazantsev, Director, Analytical Center, MGIMO University</i></p> |



“The withdrawal of allied troops from Afghanistan can be particularly negative for the domestic political process in Kazakhstan as it may coincide with the transformations in Kazakh elite”.

V. Vlasov, Deputy Dean, History Faculty, Moscow State University



“All post-Soviet economies of the region came to the end of recessionary 2009 with a positive dynamics and showed a sustainable growth in the following years. Should the current trends prevail, the mid-term development of Central Asia states promises to be stable, but the change in the status quo due to the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan may cut many economic ties which will definitely impact the economic development.”

E. Kuzmina, Head of the Post-Soviet States Economic Development Section, Post-Soviet Studies Center, RAS Institute of Economy

Analytical activities of experts from partner universities

- In 2012 RIAC website published 70 analytical comments of experts from partner universities.
- In 2012 experts from the Far Eastern Federal University successfully blogged “Russia and Asia Pacific: as seen from Vladivostok” (24 posts). The blog gradually grew into analytical comments prepared by Far Eastern Federal University experts.
- RIAC prepares a monthly information and analytical review of current activities in partner universities of the Council.



RIAC Winter and Summer Schools

Winter and summer schools are annual RIAC events. Their topics reflect the current priorities of RIAC. The schools are designed as a platform for meetings and experience sharing between young promising scientists and specialists in international affairs.



“RIAC winter and summer schools are short but very intensive education programs. They deliver concise and informative documents. School events add on necessary skills and competence and create a youth network of RIAC.”

I. Timofeev, RIAC Program Director

Project goals

- To invite young scientist to participate in the RIAC projects, to create a network of young experts;
- To assist the formation of a new generation of scientists and researchers of international topics;
- To find new ideas and substantive resolution for challenging priority topics of the Council;
- To introduce, test and develop new education technologies for the training of international affairs experts;
- To select among Schools’ participants candidates to the Youth section of the Council that offers profession and career growth for young specialists.

RIAC schools offer lectures and speeches of experts on key topics, team-building exercises, and development of self-presentation skills, negotiation trainings, topical city quests, business games, and master-classes.

The result of every school is an analytical product created by participants under the guidance of groups’ curators and RIAC employees.

Deliverables of RIAC schools in 2012

- Projects of migrants’ adaptation to the hosting environment.
- Youth declaration to APEC Summit in Vladivostok.
- Road map for international cooperation in the Arctic.
- Forecast scenario of Central Asia development after the withdrawal of NATO troops from Afghanistan.



The First RIAC Winter School 2012: Migration in the Global World

February 2012, Holliday Inn Vinogradovo, Moscow

27 people aged 19 to 35 representing different regions of Russia (Yekaterinburg, Astrakhan, Volgograd, Saratov, Stavropol, Ulyanovsk, Tomsk, St. Petersburg, Kazan, Tyumen and Moscow) and also Belarus came to take part in the work of the School. A keen interest to the exploration of migration processes in contemporary Russia and in the world united these undergraduates, post-graduate students, young scientists and diplomats.

The school topic was migration issues and integration of migrants into the hosting communities and countries.

RIAC First Winter School Migration in the Global World that launched the project “RIAC Winter and Summer Schools” was opened by the addresses of I. Ivanov, RIAC President, A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General, and I. Timofeev, RIAC Program Director.



“Exceptionally prohibitive measures that prevailed in the policy have exhausted themselves. We need a new comprehensive migration strategy. The current situation requires the coordinated efforts of all ministries and agencies. The efficient solution of urgent migration issues is impossible without a long-term strategy and understanding of its implementation scenario. The key task of RIAC as the evolving “think tank” is to make the decision makers aware of the importance to elaborate and implement coordinated political steps in various domains of international cooperation, including the resolution of such a complex issue as migration.”

I. Ivanov, RIAC President



“The role of higher education institutions in the study of migration processes should not be underestimated, though this topic is poorly reflected in the educational process. We expect to hear from Winter school participants proposals for the improvement of the situation.”

A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General



School events

School participants were able to communicate with leading specialists on migration during lectures, seminars and roundtables.

- Lectures by the representative of the Federal Migration Service and Russian Federation Ministry of Foreign Affairs; experts from the Demography Institute of Higher School of Economics National Research University, Post-Industrial Studies Center, Demographic Studies department at the Economic Faculty of Moscow Lomonosov State University, RAS Institute of Philosophy.
- A roundtable on business and migration with the experts from RAS Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Center for Economic and Financial Research at Russian Economic School, “OPORA Rossii” Committee on Migration Policy and Council of International Association “Labor Migration” (IALM).
- A roundtable on the NGOs’ role in the resolution of migration issues with the participation of experts from Tadjikistan Foundation and Moscow Bureau of the International Organization for Migration.

Apart from classical teaching formats, the participants enjoyed the possibility to take a deep insight into the problem of migration through different trainings, business games, a city quest, and a cooking master class.

School curators

- M. Apanovitch, Ph.D. in Political Science, Deputy Head of Master Training Department, MGIMO University.
- N. Bolshova, Ph.D. in Political Science, Head of Scientific Policy Office, MGIMO University.
- S. Utkin, Ph.D. in Political Science, Head, Sector for Political Problems of European Migration, IMEMO.

Results

Winter school 2012 became a starting point for many of its participants and encouraged them to launch their own projects.





2012 Summer School: APEC Youth Summit: Objectives, Priorities and Prospects

July 2012, "Solnechny" Education and Recreation Complex of Russian Presidential Academy for National Economic and Public Administration (Moscow region)

The School was organized by RIAC in partnership with the Russian Research Center of APEC and the Far Eastern Federal University. The main objective of the Summer School was to prepare young specialists to participate in APEC Youth Summit (September 2-4, 2012, Vladivostok).

25 young specialists studying the development of APEC economies came to the School from different cities of Russia.

School Events

The program included thematic roundtables on key aspect of Russia's presidency in APEC in 2012:



- A roundtable on food security with the participation of experts for the EEC APEC and Russian Grain Union.
- A roundtable on the energy issues involving experts from the Department of International Cooperation of Rosatom Nuclear Energy State Corporation and Center for Energy Diplomacy and Geopolitics.
- A roundtable on the prospects of APEC political and economic development with the participation of experts from RAS Far East Branch Institute of Economic Studies and Deutsche Bank.
- A business game that resulted in a draft declaration of the Russian delegation at APEC Youth Summit in Vladivostok.

School Curators



- K. Voda. Junior Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Studies, IMEMO.
- S. Lukonin, Ph.D. in History, Research Fellow, Center for Asia-Pacific Studies, IMEMO.
- S. Sharko, Ph.D. in Political Science, Assistant Professor, Department of Civilization Development of the East, National Research University Higher School of Economics.

Results



Participants in the Summer School formulated the general agenda for the Summit and drafted APEC Youth Declaration.



2012 Summer School: Road Map for International Cooperation in the Arctic

July 2012, “Malye Karely”, Arkhangelsk

RIAC School was organized in partnership with the Lomonosov Northern (Arctic) Federal University. The international cooperation in the Arctic region was chosen as a school topic. The focus was on the development of a “road map” for international cooperation in the Arctic.

20 young professionals involved in the Arctic region studies were selected for the School from different regions of Russia.

School events



- Lectures by prominent experts and specialists from MGIMO University, Sevmorput non-profit partnership and Arctic Institute Center on different aspects of cooperation in the Arctic region.
- A roundtable on the current issues of the Northern Sea Route with the participations of experts from Atomflot headquarters of shipping operations, Sea Transportation and Technological Scheme Laboratory of the Central Marine Research and Design Institute and Northern Maritime Corridor partnership.
- A roundtable on the future of the outer space technologies in the region with the participation of experts from RAS Institute of International Security and from Northern Arctic Federal University Center for the Arctic Space Monitoring.
- A business game that allowed the participants to draft a Road map for International Cooperation in the Arctic youth project. The business game simulated the Arctic Council meeting to familiarize young experts in the Arctic with the formats of interstate institutional cooperation and operation procedures.

School curators

- O. Zaretskaya, Ph.D. in History, Deputy Director for International Cooperation, Institute of Social, Humanitarian and Political Sciences, Northern Arctic Federal University.
- T. Makhmutov, Ph.D. in Political Science, Deputy Program Director, RIAC.
- S. Utkin, Ph.D. in Political Science, Head, Sector for Political Problems of European Migration, IMEMO.

Results

The School prepared a Youth Draft project a Road map for International Cooperation in the Arctic where the participants presented their recommendations for the further development of the Arctic region.



2012 Summer School: The Situation in Central Asia: Security, Economy, Human Development

August 2012, "Ivolga", Yekaterinburg

RIAC School was organized in partnership with the Urals Federal University. Stability in Central Asia was selected as the topic. As a result, Summer School students developed a draft scenario of Central Asia evolution after the withdrawal of NATO troops from Afghanistan.

The School united about 30 young specialists from different regions of Russia and CIS countries.

School events

- Lectures by invited experts from RAS Institute of Oriental Studies, MGIMO University, Moscow State University, RAS Institute of Economics provided the 5 forecasts for the regional situation development.
- A roundtable on the security issues in Central Asia with the participation experts from the Russian Institute for Strategic Studies and RAS Institute of Oriental Studies.
- A roundtable on the international cooperation in Central Asia and problems of compatriots involving experts from Eurasian Dialogue Center and Information-Analytical Center for Post-Soviet Space Studies.
- A roundtable on the energy cooperation in the region with the participation of experts from Central Eurasia project and MGIMO University.
- Master-classes were focused on the key criteria of political forecasting.

School curators

- A. Dankov, Ph.D. in History, Head of Central Asia Sector, Oriental Countries Center, Tomsk State University.
- N. Melekhina, Ph.D. in History, Assistant Professor, Department of Indo-Iranian and African Languages, MGIMO University.
- O. Popadyuk, Ph.D. in Law.

Results

Draft scenario of Central Asia development after the withdrawal of NATO troops from Afghanistan.





“Global Science” RIAC Educational Project

To-day, Russian scientists possessing outstanding knowledge in relevant domains, are not sufficiently appreciated by foreign humanities science. To foster the integration of Russian scientists into the global scientific community RIAC proposed a unique Global Science education project.

The first stage of this training program took place in the Moscow region, November 5-10, 2012.

Project Director: I. Timofeev — RIAC Program Director.

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| | <p>“A publication in a scientific journal is similar to business, but the “product” is your idea. No matter how sophisticated, important and topical your study is — you must know how to present it.”</p> <p><i>I. Timofeev, RIAC Program Director</i></p> |
| | <p>“You must understand that to be published in an English language academic journal means to forget how you would write it Russian and to follow the rules of the English academic writing.”</p> <p><i>I. Busygina, Professor, Department of Comparative Political Science, MGIMO University</i></p> |
| | <p>“If you didn’t publish the results of your study – you have wasted your research time. Nobody will ever learn about the results of your work.”</p> <p><i>N. Reid, Academic Writing Trainer</i></p> |
| | <p>“It’s essential to understand that there is no Russian or foreign science. The science is universal. The issue is the lack of Russian scientists’ presentation. High quality studies and their promotion are needed to be acknowledged abroad.”</p> <p><i>A. Zagorskiy, Head of Section, IMEMO</i></p> |



Out of 102 candidates only 19 young specialists in political science and international relations from different Russian regions (Yekaterinburg, Yoshkar-Ola, Kazan, Kaliningrad, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Tomsk and Khabarovsk) were selected to participate in the Program.

Natalie Reid, author of “Getting Published in International Journals: Writing Strategies for European Social Scientists” (Oslo; NOVA, 2010) and the developer of an academic writing course was invited as a trainer to the Program.

Events

Irina Busygina, Andrey Zagorskiy and Vladimir Pechatnov were invited to deliver lectures at the first stage of the Global Science educational project. Evening lectures discussed such important for young scientists topics as the reformation of education system in Russia, validity of Higher Attestation Commission lists and university ratings for Russia humanities sciences and lack of foreign recognition of Russian scientists.

When the first stage of the Global Science education program was over, the participants started to write first drafts of articles for English language scientific publications. The projects aims to reach practical results – by its end a participant must prepare a text for the publication in a foreign scientific journal.





2012 Global Prospects Contest

This is a contest for the best paper in a current or preceding year written by young international relations scholars and diplomats. The expert assessment of works allows detecting and upgrading of talented scientists and translators, supporting promising trends of international studies and promoting traditions of objective and comprehensive international research. The project was launched by RIAC at the end of 2011 in partnership with Gorchakov Foundation for Public Diplomacy Support.

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| | | <p>“Russian International Affairs Council aims to create an environment stimulating the interest of the youth to international affairs. One of our key priorities is the interaction with universities and young experts in international relations. On the one hand, we wish to participate in the elaboration of proposals on the urgent issues of international life and Russia’s foreign policy. On the other hand, we want to assist Russian higher education institutions in training international affairs experts.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>I. Ivanov, RIAC President</i></p> |
| | | <p>“This contest is a good chance for a young specialist as it offers a certain starting point, a possibility to attract the attention of other scholars to his work and to join group projects.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>O. Kul'kova, winner of 2012 Global Prospects Contest in the Best Ph.D. Dissertation on International Relations nomination</i></p> |
| | | <p>“Every young scientist enters into a phase when he or she wants to show the results of his study and check if they are relevant and correct.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>S. Ivanov, winner of 2012 Global Prospects Contest in the Best Article on International Affairs Published in a Russian or Foreign Journal nomination</i></p> |
| | | <p>“This victory has, first of all, given me self-confidence, as my work was appreciated at such a high level. Moreover, Russian International Affairs Council is now initiating new projects, it has a certain reputation and it further strengthens your self-confidence”.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>O. Shakirov, winner of 2012 Global Prospects Contest in the Best Russian Translation of a Monograph or an Article Published in a Foreign Scientific Journal nomination</i></p> |

Students, post-graduates, translators and lecturers aged 22-35 (inclusive) are invited to participate in the contest.



Contest nominations

- Best Ph.D. dissertation on international relations defended in the current year.
- Best individual monograph published in the preceding or current year.
- Best article on international affairs published in a Russian or foreign scientific journal in the current year.
- Best Russian translation of a monograph or an article published in a foreign scientific journal.

Project Directors

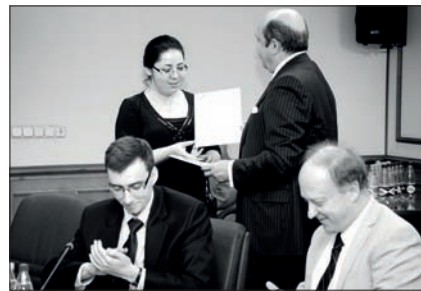
The Contest is managed by RIAC Scientific Board.

Awards to the winners

- Certificates.
- The publication of the winner dissertation as a monograph.
- A subscription to a Russian scientific journal.
- Cash prize.

Events

- Contest, experts' evaluation.
- Approval of experts' evaluations: meeting of the jury at the session of RIAC Scientific Council.
- Awarding ceremony.





Nationwide Contest for Young Foreign Affairs Journalists

This project is the contest of journalists' publications in 2012. The contest is held jointly with the International Affairs Journal and Russian Union of Journalists. The project is designed to support and develop Russian journalism on international relations. This contest will contribute to the formation of a new generation of international journalists and maintain the traditions of objective, comprehensive, and professional journalism and writings on international relations.

Project Directors

- I. Ivanov, RAS Associate Member, RIAC President;
- A. Kortunov, RIAC Director General ;
- A. Oganessian, Editor-in-Chief, International Affairs Journal;
- V. Bogdanov, Chairman, Russian Union of Journalists.

2013 Jury Chairman

E. Primakov, Member of RAS Presidium, RAS Academician.

Contest nominations

- Best analytical article on international topics.
- Best interview on international topics.
- Best coverage of international topics.

Full and part time staff of Russian printed and electronic media aged 22-35 with already published materials is invited to take part in the contest.





Events

- Contest, experts' evaluation.
- Jury meeting.
- Awarding ceremony.

The ceremony of laureates and winners awarding took place on January 29, 2013.

“Our contest aims to find young talent. We want to find the embodiment of a perfect professional international journalist in real people.”

A. Oganesyanyan, Editor-in-Chief, International Affairs Journal

“I’d like to focus on an important component in the international journalism, a component currently underdeveloped. This is research. Country studies, description of traditions, life style, culture, history and politics are whittled away from journalism by editorial boards. It might be a temporary phenomenon, but it’s there.”

P. Fedorov, Head of International Relations Directorate, VGTRK



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