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WELCOME TO THE INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC FORUM!

 26–27 March
2025

FORUM VENUES

-  Kirov Palace of Culture and Folk Art of the Murmansk Region ([3, Pushkinskaya Ulitsa](#))
-  AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk ([82, Prospekt Lenina](#))
-  Meridian Congress Hotel ([5/23, Ulitsa Vorovskogo](#))
-  Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall ([3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy](#))




We recommend that you arrive at the Forum venues in good time, at least 30–40 minutes before the start of the event of your interest.

To access the Forum venues, you need to collect a badge.


To access the Kirov Palace of Culture and Folk Art of the Murmansk Region on 27 March, you need to pass a PCR test and collect a special pass.

For more detailed information, please see '[Access to the venues](#)' section.

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FORUM CHATBOT

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VISA SUPPORT



DOCUMENTS FOR CROSSING THE BORDER

To avoid encountering any problems when crossing the border, all foreign participants arriving from abroad are required to bring the following documents with them:

IF YOU NEED A VISA TO ENTER THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

You must bring the following to cross the border:

- a visa
- a valid passport
- a medical insurance policy valid on the territory of the Russian Federation (if needed)

IF YOU DO NOT NEED A VISA TO ENTER THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

You must bring the following to cross the border:

- a valid passport
- a medical insurance policy valid on the territory of the Russian Federation (if needed)



OBTAINING A VISA

If you need a visa to enter the Russian Federation, you can apply for one of the two following types of visas:

- 1) **a visa through an invitation for foreign arrivals** (for all International Arctic Forum participants);

OR

- 2) **an electronic visa** (available for citizens of 64 foreign countries).

VISA BY INVITATION FOR FOREIGN ARRIVALS

Visa
=
invitation for foreign arrivals
+
list of documents

VISA VALIDITY PERIODS

After submitting all the required documents, Forum participants can obtain a short-term, single-entry Russian visa **for the period from 19 March to 3 April 2025** at foreign consular offices of the Russian Federation on the day of their application.



HOW TO APPLY FOR A VISA BY INVITATION FOR FOREIGN ARRIVALS?

An invitation for foreign arrivals is not an invitation to the International Arctic Forum, but a separate document from the Forum organizers, which is available in the [Roscongress personal account](#).

1. All confirmed participants will receive an official invitation to the International Arctic Forum by email.
2. After receiving the invitation, log in to your [Roscongress personal account](#) using your personal login and password.
3. Go to the 'My events – International Arctic Forum – Event dashboard – Visa support' tab of the [Roscongress personal account](#).
4. Your personal information will be automatically uploaded from the Roscongress personal account to the document. You can manually add the city and country where you will be applying for your visa.

You can contact a Roscongress Foundation specialist to make changes to the personal data. The specialist's contact information can be found in the [Roscongress personal account](#) and in your invitation letter.

5. Download and print the invitation for foreign arrivals.
6. Provide your Russian consular office with the invitation for foreign arrivals and the other required visa documents. Information about the location of Russian consular offices can be found on the website of the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation](#).

E-VISA

Can be issued to citizens of 64 foreign countries:

Austria, Barbados, Bahrain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Eswatini, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, The Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Myanmar, Netherlands, North Korea, Northern Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Vatican, Vietnam, Zimbabwe.

VISA VALIDITY PERIODS

The unified electronic visa is a single-entry visa. **The validity of the single electronic visa is 60 days** from the date of issue.

The permitted period of stay in the Russian Federation on a single electronic visa is **not more than 16 days from the day of entry** within its validity period.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR AN E-VISA?

To apply for a unified e-visa, it is necessary to fill in an application on the purpose-made [website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia](#). **The unified electronic visa is not free.**

Applications may be submitted **not earlier than 40 days and no later than 4 days** before the expected date of entry into the Russian Federation.

 electronic-visa.kdmid.ru

For more detailed information, see:

 ['Visa support'](#) section of the Forum website



ARRIVAL TO MURMANSK

BY AIR

FLIGHTS TO MURMANSK

Emperor Nicholas II Murmansk International Airport is located 24 km from the city centre. Up-to-date information can be found on the [airport website](#) and is available at the offices and on the websites of the airlines.

There are direct flights to Murmansk from Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kazan, Kaliningrad, Arkhangelsk, and Cherepovets.

Emperor Nicholas II Murmansk International Airport

[Murmansk Region, Kola District, Murmashi](#)

+7 (815) 221 6215, +7 (815) 263 8000

[airport-murmansk.ru](#)

Applying for VIP aircraft and passenger services (domestic flights only):

+7 (815) 221 6215, +7 (911) 300 2236

info@airport-murmansk.ru

TRANSFER IN ST. PETERSBURG

If there are no direct flights between your departure city and Murmansk, you can choose a flight with a transfer in St. Petersburg. The direct flight from St. Petersburg to Murmansk takes **approximately 2 hours**.

There are currently direct flights to St. Petersburg from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Egypt, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, PRC, UAE, Serbia, Türkiye, Thailand, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan.

Pulkovo Airport (LED) is St. Petersburg's only airport that serves scheduled domestic and international flights. For the latest information, please visit the [website of Pulkovo Airport](#) and your airlines of interest. Alternatively, you may contact airlines directly.

TRANSFER IN MOSCOW

The flight time from Moscow to Murmansk is approximately **2 hours 30 minutes**.

There are currently direct flights to Moscow from Azerbaijan, Armenia, Algeria, Belarus, Bahrain, Vietnam, Israel, India, Indonesia, Iran, Georgia, Egypt, Kazakhstan, Qatar, Kyrgyzstan, PRC, Cuba, Kuwait, Morocco, Maldives, UAE, Oman, Serbia, Seychelles, Türkiye, Thailand, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tunisia, Ethiopia, and Sri Lanka.

For the latest information, please visit the websites of [Sheremetyevo](#), [Domodedovo](#), and [Vnukovo](#) airports and your airlines of interest. Alternatively, you may contact airlines directly.

TRANSIT VIA FOREIGN AIRPORTS

Should you be unable to travel directly between your point of departure and an airport in Russia, we advise flying via a country offering flights to Russia.

The detailed information about the arrival by air can be found on '[Arrival to Murmansk](#)' section of the Forum website.




BY RAIL

Murmansk has a **railway station** in a convenient location with both suburban and intercity routes.

 [14, Ulitsa Kominterny, Murmansk](#)

 murmansk.dzvr.ru

Information and Service Centre of JSC 'Russian Railways' (JSCO 'RZD'):

 8 (800) 775 0000

 info@rzd.ru

 eng.rzd.ru


HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

If you require assistance with accommodation, please submit a request specifying the name of the participating company, the number of rooms needed, the full names of guests, and the dates of stay to the following email: booking@forumarctica.ru.

Please note that we have a limited availability of hotel rooms in Murmansk and that priority for booking confirmations will be given based on the date applications are received.

Deadline for requests: **21 March 2025**.

Contact info:

 +7 (495) 369 2011 (ext. 3016)

 booking@forumarctica.ru

FORUM VENUES

6th International Arctic Forum will be held in Murmansk for the first time on **26–27 March 2025** at four venues at once:

**Kirov Palace of Culture
and Folk Art of the Murmansk Region**
[\(3, Pushkinskaya Ulitsa\)](#)

- Business programme
- Plenary session on 27 March
- Coffee break

AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk
[\(82, Prospekt Lenina\)](#)

- Business programme

Meridian Congress Hotel
[\(5/23, Ulitsa Vorovskogo\)](#)

- Meeting rooms

Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall
[\(3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy\)](#)

- Accreditation centre
- Press centre



HOW TO GET TO THE VENUES?

All venues are located near Pyat Uglov, Murmansk's central square, and are within walking distance of each other.

The estimated travel time from Murmansk Airport to the Forum venues is approximately one hour by car.

FROM THE AIRPORT

- **By public transportation:**

Bus or minibus route No. 106.

Interval: 20–30 minutes.

Travel time: approximately one hour.

Stop: Pyat Uglov square.

- **By car/taxi:**

Travel time: approximately one hour.

Parking areas: the hotel offers an open, unattended parking area with a barrier. Rates are RUB 200 per day for hotel guests and RUB 100 per hour for non-guests.

Free public parking areas are also available near both venues.

- **By shuttle bus:**

During the Forum, **complimentary shuttle bus services will be provided** for participants and media representatives. For more detailed information, please see '[Shuttle buses](#)' section of the Forum website.

FROM THE RAILWAY STATION

AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk and the Kirov Palace of Culture are within walking distance of the railway station, at a distance of 350–550 metres.

Directions to the Forum venue will be available on the website in the 'Venue Map' section.

ACCESS TO THE VENUES



Upon arrival, each participant will have to go through the access control procedure. The participant may be asked to turn on your phone or laptop and show other equipment that you brought to the venue.

In order to avoid any inconvenience when accessing the venue, participants are advised to leave any items prohibited at the Forum venue at their accommodation or in their vehicle. Please carefully review the [list of items prohibited on the event venue](#) and pay attention to any exceptions.



PARTICIPATION FEE PAYMENT

Payment of the participation fee on time and in full is a prerequisite to receiving a participation badge and gaining access to the International Arctic Forum 2025 venue.

Before making a payment, please make sure that:

1. You have received your invitation to International Arctic Forum 2025.
2. You have confirmed your participation in the Forum in [Roscongress personal account](#).
3. You are approved for paid participation in the Forum.

The payment date will be considered **to be the day on which the amount due is credited to the account of the Roscongress Foundation**.

Should you have any questions regarding payment, you can get in touch with your Roscongress Foundation specialist. The contact information can be found in the [Roscongress personal account](#) or by contacting the International Arctic Forum information centre by phone at +7 (499) 700 0607.

The participation fee may only be paid by the individual or legal entity indicated as the Customer in the invoice agreement.

CREATING A PAYMENT DOCUMENT

You can proceed to payment if the Organizing Committee has approved your application for participation, you have received your invitation to the International Arctic Forum 2025 and confirm participation in the Forum via the [Roscongress personal account](#).

1. Enter the payer's information via the [Roscongress personal account](#) (make sure you enter the information of the individual or legal entity making the payment).

Changes to payer's information can only be made by your Roscongress Foundation specialist. The contact information can be found in the [Roscongress personal account](#) or by contacting the Forum information centre by phone at + 7 (499) 700 0607.

2. Select the payment method:

- for residents of the Russian Federation: invoice in roubles or bank card for residents;
- for non-residents of the Russian Federation: invoice in roubles/US dollars/euros or bank card.

3. Select the type of payment document: **agreement** or **invoice agreement**.

To pay by agreement, you should:

- save your participation agreement
- send a signed copy of the agreement to your Roscongress Foundation specialist. The contact information can be found in the [Roscongress personal account](#)
- save a payment document in the 'Payment' section on [Roscongress personal account](#)
- pay the participation fee

To pay by invoice agreement, you should:

- save your invoice agreement to make the payment
- pay the participation fee

Acceptable payment forms include Visa, Mastercard, American Express, UnionPay, and MIR payment system cards issued by Russian banks and UnionPay payment system cards issued by foreign banks.



For detailed information on types of documents and payment option, see:

 ['Participation fee payment'](#) section of the Forum website



HOW TO GET TO THE FORUM VENUES?

01. Receive a badge.

We kindly ask that you collect your accreditation badge in advance at one of the accreditation points.

To pick up your badge, please check that you have uploaded all the necessary data to your [Roscongress personal account](#).

More detailed information is in the ['Badge collection'](#) section.

02. Leave items prohibited at the venue at your accommodations.

Please carefully review [the list of items prohibited on the event venues](#) and pay attention to any exceptions.

03. Don't forget your passport.

Please don't forget to bring along an identifying document (passport) to the venue. You must present your passport at the entrance to the venue and keep it with you while you are located at the Forum venues.

04. To access the Kirov Palace of Culture and Folk Art of the Murmansk Region on 27 March, you need to pass a PCR test and collect a special pass.

Special passes are activated by a negative result of a PCR test. You do not need to take a PCR test to collect your special pass.

You can collect your special pass and then take a PCR test or do it in the reverse order.

More information is available in ['PCR testing for access to the Kirov Palace of Culture on 27 March'](#) and ['Access to the plenary session'](#).



BADGE COLLECTION

An accreditation badge is a pass to the Forum venues. We do recommend **receiving your badge in advance**.

You must carry your badge and identity document (passport) with you at all times when at the Forum venues.

The badge is personalized and may not be transferred to third parties.

If your badge is lost or damaged, you should contact any accreditation desk or Help Desk.



WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO PICK UP MY BADGE?

In the 'My events – International Arctic Forum – Event dashboard' section of the [Roscongress personal account](#) you should:

1. Confirm participation in the Forum

2. Enter your personal information in full

in accordance with your passport

3. Upload a required photo for your badge:

- Colour photo against a light background;
- Photo size – 480 × 640 pixels;
- Photo format – JPG or JPEG;
- Full-face photo with no headgear;
- Your face must take up at least 70% of the photo.

Tab 'My events – International Arctic Forum – Event dashboard – Personal information – Photo – Edit data'.

4. Upload a scanned copy of your passport (pages 2 and 3)

Tab 'My events – International Arctic Forum – Event dashboard – Personal information – Edit data'.

Please make sure that the scanned copy is legible and contains complete information about the data you gave when registering, including the series and number of the document, the issue date, the issuing authority, and a photo. Formats: jpg, jpeg, pdf, png.

5. Pay the participation fee

Data processing takes from 3 days.

If changes have been made to your identity document (passport) after you completed the application to participate in the Forum, the data in your [Roscongress personal account](#) must be edited (tab 'My events – International Arctic Forum – Event dashboard – Personal information – Edit data').

To make changes to any fields that are blocked for editing, please contact the specialist that you spoke with when registering for the Forum.



When issuing the badge, the accreditation operator checks the data specified in the [Roscongress personal account](#) to ensure it matches the information in your identity document. If the data does not match, the badge cannot be issued on the day you applied for it.

Please check your personal data in the Roscongress personal account before obtaining the badge.

HOW TO FIND OUT IF MY BADGE IS READY?

There are several ways to find out or be notified when a participant badge is ready:

- An email notification;
- A notification in the [Roscongress personal account](#);
- A call to the Forum information centre: +7 (499) 700 0607;
- A call to a Roscongress Foundation specialist whose contacts are listed; in the [Roscongress personal account](#) (on the right of the photo). The specialist's contact information can also be confirmed by calling the Forum information centre.



HOW DO I PICK UP MY BADGE?

Participant accreditation badges may be collected in person by presenting:

- The identity document that is listed in the [Roscongress personal account](#);
- Original of personal data consent form.

HOW CAN I PICK UP MY BADGE BY PROXY?

To pick up a badge for another participant by proxy, the authorized individual must present:

- Passport;
- Original consent of a driver to the processing of personal data;
- List of participants;
- Copies of the passports of all participants to be accredited;
- Originals of personal data consent forms.

A power of attorney form and a personal data consent form can be downloaded from the '[Badge collection](#)' section of the Forum website.

WHERE AND WHEN DO I PICK UP MY BADGE?

We kindly ask that you collect your accreditation badge **in advance** at the accreditation point.

LOCATION	DATE	OPERATING HOURS
MOSCOW	21 March	10:00–19:00
Roscongress Foundation Accreditation Centre at the World Trade Center Moscow (12, Krasnopresnenskaya Naberezhnaya, entrance No. 7, 1-st floor)	24 March	10:00–19:00
	25 March	07:30–22:30
	26 March	07:30–18:00
ST. PETERSBURG	24 March	10:00–19:00
Baltis Plaza BC, 9th floor (88 Sredny Ave. V.O.)	25 March	07:30–22:30
	26 March	07:30–18:00
MURMANSK	23–24 March	10:00–19:00
Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall (3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy)	25–26 March	07:30–22:30
	27 March	07:30–16:00



PCR TEST TO ACCESS THE KIROV PALACE OF CULTURE VENUE ON 27 MARCH

PCR testing is only required to access the Kirov Palace of Culture on 27 March.

To access **the Kirov Palace of Culture venue on 27 March**, all participants, media representatives, and staff **must undergo PCR testing for COVID-19, influenza A/B and ARVI** 24 hours before visiting the plenary session, but **no earlier than 07:30 on 26 March** (GMT+3) at one of the Forum testing centres.

A PCR test is **not needed**:

- to access the Kirov Palace of Culture on 26 March.
- to access the AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk on 26–27 March.
- to access the Meridian Congress Hotel on 26–27 March.

A special pass to access the Kirov Palace of Culture on 27 March is activated by a negative result of a PCR test.

Testing will be carried out only at the Forum's dedicated testing centres, which are provided by Rospotrebnadzor. The results of tests taken at other laboratories are not transferred to the Forum's accreditation system.

Results will be provided within 24 hours. **LAMP testing is not provided.**

PCR testing at dedicated Forum testing centres is strictly by appointment only in the [Roscongress personal account](#).

HOW TO GET TESTED?

01. Provide information about COVID-19 immunity in the [Roscongress personal account](#).
02. Find your ID in the [Roscongress personal account](#) and keep it in mind or write it down.
03. Sign up for PCR testing in the [Roscongress personal account](#).
04. Pay for PCR testing.
05. Print, fill out and sign consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data.
06. Provide your Forum participant ID or show your badge at the Forum testing centre or using the off-site testing

WHEN TO GET TESTED?

To access the venue, all participants, media representatives, and staff must undergo PCR testing for COVID-19, influenza A/B and ARVI 24 hours before visiting the Forum venue, but **no earlier than 07:30 on 26 March** (GMT+3).



WHERE TO GET TESTED?

Testing- will be carried out **only** at the Forum’s dedicated testing centres, which are provided by Rospotrebnadzor in Murmansk, Moscow and St. Petersburg. **The results of tests taken at other laboratories will NOT be accepted for access to the venue.**

LOCATION	DATE	OPERATING HOURS
MURMANSK		
Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall (3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy)	26 March	07:30–22:00
Centre for Hygiene and Epidemiology (11, Communy Ulitsa)	26 March 27 March	22:00–23:59 00:00–04:00
MOSCOW		
Federal Budget-funded Healthcare Institution “Federal Centre for Hygiene and Epidemiology” (19A, Varshavskoye Shosse)	26 March	09:00–18:00
ST. PETERSBURG		
Centre for Hygiene and Epidemiology (11, Mokhovaya Ulitsa)	26 March	09:00–18:00

Testing is conducted by appointment. The list of approved centres and opening hours is subject to change. Please check for updates.

DATA REQUIRED FOR TESTING

1. Information about your immunity

In order to be admitted for PCR testing, all participants must provide information about their immunity in the [Roscongress personal account](#):

- Information about COVID-19 vaccination status;
- Information about previous coronavirus infection (COVID-19) status;
- Information about the presence or absence of vaccination against influenza and measles;
- Information about having had the measles disease;
- Information about permanent residence and temporary addresses during the Forum.

Please be mindful of the validity periods for proof of immunity:

- Written documentation of exposure to the disease – 1 year;
- Certificate of medical contraindication to vaccination – 1 year;
- COVID-19 vaccine certificate – 1 year.

Certificates obtained more than one year ago need not be uploaded.

2. FORUM PARTICIPANT ID

When taking a PCR test, you must provide your Forum participant ID.



WHERE TO FIND YOUR ID?

- In your [Roscongress personal account](#) next to the participant photo.
- On the badge (under the photo) You can view your ID on your badge, if you have already received it.

If a test is not associated with a participant ID, it will not be possible to send the test results to the Accreditation centre in order to activate the badge to attend the event.

3. Consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data

You must print, fill out, sign consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data before visiting the testing centre and bring it with you. **Consent for medical intervention for minors** is filled out on behalf of the legal representative, so fill it out in advance.

Important! Documents must be printed in one-sided format (printing on one side of the sheet only). Forms printed in double-sided format (printing on both sides of the sheet) will not be accepted.

Medical treatment consent forms can be downloaded in the '[PCR testing](#)' section on the Forum website.

PCR testing at dedicated Forum testing centres is strictly by appointment only. Please arrive at the time of your booking.

BOOKING A TEST

In order to book a PCR testing, you must fill in all the required fields of the questionnaire in the 'Data about immunity' section.

For test booking:

1. Go to the 'PCR testing' section.
2. Choose 'Book a test' tab.
3. Choose the most convenient testing centre from the list and select a time slot.

PCR testing is to be paid for separately. Please do not forget to pay for your PCR test.

PAYMENT FOR PCR TESTING

In order to pay for a test, you must provide the Forum participant ID of the person whose PCR test is being paid for.

How do I pay by card via the Roscongress personal account?

1. Go to the 'PCR testing – Payment for PCR testing' section of the [Roscongress personal account](#).
2. Provide medical intervention consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data.
3. Click the 'Pay' button.
4. Provide your ID and personal data Also, you can provide ID of the person whose PCR test is being paid for.
5. Provide consent for personal data processing (tick the checkbox).
6. Make the payment by card.
7. Tick the field marked 'Get a receipt' and enter your email address in order to request a receipt. A receipt will be provided within 24 hours.

Payments are made in Russian roubles. If the payment does not go through, please contact your bank.



<p>How do I pay on behalf of a legal entity?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> +7 (916) 536 8111 +7 (916) 698 1936 maf@fcgie.ru 2. Sign the agreement on behalf of the legal entity. 3. Provide the full names and IDs of the participant or participants whose tests are being paid for in the agreement. 4. Make the payment. <p>Testing can only be carried out after the payment has been made in advance and in full.</p> <p>All agreements for PCR testing in all testing centres are signed with the Federal Budget-funded Healthcare Institution “Federal Centre for Hygiene and Epidemiology of the Federal Service for Surveillance on Consumer Rights Protection and Human Wellbeing.</p>
<p>How do I pay by cash?</p>	<p>Several testing centres have cashpoints where you can pay for the test in cash or by bank card.</p> <p>Payments are made in Russian roubles.</p>
<p>How do I pay by QR -code?</p>	<p>All testing centres have posters with a QR code and instructions for paying for testing. The payment receipt will be sent to your email.</p> <p>In order to pay for a test, you must provide the Forum participant ID of the person whose PCR test is being paid for.</p> <p>The transfer of funds takes some time. We recommend paying for testing in advance, before going to the PCR-testing point.</p>

OFF-SITE PCR TESTING (VIP)

Should you have questions regarding off-site testing, please contact us using the information below. Off-site PCR testing is to be paid for separately. Testing applications are accepted daily from 09:00 to 17:00 (Moscow time, GMT+3).

MURMANSK, MOSCOW, ST. PETERSBURG

+7 (985) 846 0012, +7 (916) 698 1820

mafvip@fcgie.ru

TEST RESULTS

Lab results will be provided within 24 hours. Before going to the Forum venue, please make sure that your test result is negative, and your badge is activated.

You can check the test result in the 'PCR testing – Test results' section in the [Roscongress personal account](#) (for participants).

If you don't get the test result, you can find out information:

- by calling the Forum information centre at +7 (499) 700 0607;
- by calling your Roscongress Foundation specialist.



ACCESS TO THE PLENARY SESSION

Access to the plenary session is by special invitation and activated special pass only. The invitation is sent by e-mail.

To access to the plenary session, you must have with you:

- A participant badge
- An activated special pass
- An original copy of your identity document (passport)

Plenary session attendees must **take the PCR test for COVID-19, A/B influenza and ARVI 24 hours before visiting the event, but no earlier than 07:30 on 26 March (GMT+3)**

SPECIAL PASS DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

🕒 26 March, 07:30–22:30

27 March, 07:30–16:00*

* The operating schedule of the distribution stands on 27 March may change. Please check the website for updates.



Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall

(3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy)



The special pass can be received only upon producing the identity document (passport) that is listed in the Roscongress personal account.

The special access card cannot be issued if the data in your [Roscongress personal account](#) is incorrect.

A special pass can be picked up before the test result is received. The test is not needed to get the special pass, but is required for its activation. Please arrive to the Kirov Palace of Culture in advance, at least 2 hours prior to the start of the event, and to the plenary session hall **at least 30 minutes before the start of the plenary session.**

BUSINESS PROGRAMME

The 6th 'Arctic: Territory of Dialogue' International Arctic Forum is a key platform for discussing important issues of socio-economic development of the Arctic territories, elaboration of multilateral mechanisms for joint disclosure and effective development of the powerful resource potential of the Arctic region.

International Arctic Forum 2025 business events have been divided into four thematic blocks:

The Arctic and the NSR: Coming Out on Top in the Global Competition of Routes

The Arctic and the NSR: Magnetically Attracting Investment

The Arctic and the NSR: Developing Support Settlements

International Cooperation and the Environment



The block dedicated to **'The Arctic and the NSR: Coming Out on Top in the Global Competition of Routes'** will focus on the history of the Northern Sea Route, where it might go in the future, and the contemporary development of the Polar Region.

The track titled **'The Arctic and the NSR: Magnetically Attracting Investment'** will consist of sessions on how to improve preferential regimes for Arctic business and develop resources, creative industries, and tourism in the region.

Experts attending **'The Arctic and the NSR: Developing Support Settlements'** will tackle the development of support settlements, state support for imports to the North, standards for businesses dealing with the North's indigenous minorities, and careers in the Arctic.

The **'International Cooperation and the Environment'** track will address how countries interact with one another and strategies for humanitarian and ecological interaction between the government and business, with special attention going to science, geotechnical monitoring, and measures for adapting to the melting of permafrost.

State Council Commissions for the **'Northern Sea Route and the Arctic'**, **'Efficient Transport'**, and **'International Cooperation and Export'** will also be meeting as part of the business programme.

The 'Taste of the Arctic' Food Festival, Ministry of Emergency Situations demonstrations, and the 'Wives of Heroes' Arctic lounge will also be held.

[VIEW THE BUSINESS PROGRAMME](#)



LINGUISTIC SUPPORT

The business programme events will feature simultaneous interpreting between Russian and English.

CULTURAL PROGRAMME

As part of the cultural programme of the 6th International Arctic Forum, there will be concerts, city festivals, film screenings, and theatre performances.

Museums and exhibition spaces will open their doors.

Free guided tours and events are available with prior registration via the [Roscongress personal account](#). Additionally, a diverse tourism programme is planned by local tour operators.

Participants must cover the cost of tour programmes and theatre tickets themselves. Access to closed events is by invitation only, based on a pre-approved participant list.

For a complete list, detailed information, and the conditions for visiting events, see:



['Cultural programme'](#) section of the Forum website



Cultural programme stand (AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 1st floor)



'Taste of the Arctic' gastronomic festival

[Ulitsa Vorovskogo, opposite the Central Square](#)

25 March, 15:00–21:00

26–30 March, 11:00–21:00

A collaborative team of restaurateurs and chefs from the regions of Russia's Arctic zone will present a menu of Arctic cuisine, which broadly consists of products from the northern seas and producers in the northern regions.

In 2025, more than 15 catering enterprises from Russia's Arctic regions will take part in the gastronomic festival, which will also feature a fair of souvenirs from the Murmansk Region and the 'Taste the North' ice bar.

During the festival, the office of the Murmansk Region's Tourist Information Centre will be open for northerners and guests of the International Arctic Forum, where the city's residents and guests will be able to learn about popular tourist programmes and purchase a Polar Explorer Passport.

The festival will also continue the highly popular Arctic Post tradition of guests sending their loved ones exclusive commemorative postcards from the Arctic.

There will also be entertainment and music programmes, prize draws, and much more.

Admission is free.



Fair

[Ulitsa Vorovskogo, opposite the Central Square](#)

25–30 March, 11:00–21:00

The fair will feature works by Arctic artisans, including unique souvenirs that tell the story of the Arctic expanses, original jewellery that preserves the light of the polar night, and housewares carved with love from local materials.

Visit the fair to not only buy some rare items, but to also immerse yourself in the atmosphere of a real northern fairy tale.

Admission is free.



'Taste the North' ice bar

[Ulitsa Vorovskogo, opposite the Central Square](#)

25–30 March, 11:00–21:00

There will be a twenty-five-metre tunnel on Ulitsa Vorovskogo with ice engravings dedicated to the 500th anniversary of the opening of the Northern Sea Route.

In addition to the exhibition, Forum guests can visit an ice bar where they can taste Arctic drinks.

Admission is free. For participants over the age of 18.



Tour of the Lenin nuclear icebreaker

[Lenin nuclear icebreaker](#)

25–27 March, 17:00–18:00, 18:30–19:30, 20:00–21:00

28 March, 10:00–11:00, 11:30–12:30, 13:00–14:00

The Lenin nuclear icebreaker is the first vessel in the world with an atomic propulsion unit. It is the only cultural heritage site of federal importance in the city of Murmansk. More than 500 enterprises and institutions of the USSR took part in building the icebreaker at the Admiralty Shipyard in Leningrad in 1956–1959. It was commissioned on 3 December 1959.

Over the next 30 years, Lenin provided navigational support on the Northern Sea Route and served as an atomic university that accumulated experience from year-round Arctic navigation operations, improved technologies, and trained personnel for the Soviet nuclear fleet.

The icebreaker led thousands of ships through the Arctic ice and traversed some 654,400 nautical miles, more than three times the distance from Earth to the Moon. It was decommissioned in 1989. On 5 May 2009, the Lenin nuclear icebreaker moored at the sea terminal in the centre of Murmansk and quickly became a calling card of the Murmansk Region and one of the most visited tourist sites in the Kola North.

The modern Lenin Nuclear Icebreaker Arctic Exhibition Centre is a structural unit of the Federal State Unitary Enterprise of the Nuclear Fleet (FSUE Atomflot) of the Rosatom State Atomic Energy Corporation.

The meeting point for the group is at the gangway exact location. A passport is required to visit the icebreaker.

Participants can attend free of charge with a ticket after pre-registering in the [Roscongress personal account](#) and picking up their ticket from the Cultural programme stand at AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk.

All excursions are in Russian, except for 28 March 11:30, at this time there will be an excursion in English.



Sami Village

[Ulitsa Vorovskogo, opposite the Central Square](#)

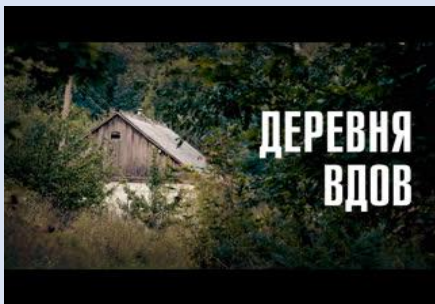
25–28 March, 11:00–21:00

A Sami Village will be set up in the Central Square of Murmansk to introduce visitors to the lives of the Indigenous peoples of the North.

The Sami are a people with a vibrant, distinctive culture.

They carefully preserve their traditions, love for their native land, and reverent attitude towards nature, and generously share the warmth of their souls with guests.

Admission is free.



Screening of the film 'Village of Widows'

📍 [Sopki 21A Center for Contemporary Art at the Murmansk State Regional Universal Scientific Library \(21A, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy\)](#)

🕒 **27 March, 18:00–19:30**

The film tells about the heroism of the residents of the Arctic village of Varzuga, which was founded in 1466. All the men from the village went to the front in 1941–1942. In their memory, Varzuga is now home to the only public monument in Russia, where the photographs of the men are right next to portraits of their widows, of whom there are 29 left in the village. People in the village say not a single one of them ever married again.

The film uses folk songs performed by the women's choir of the village of Varzuga.

Written and produced by: Olga Matrisova

Directed by: Maria Smelkova

Production: MTRK Mir, 2025

Participants can attend free of charge after pre-registering in the [Roscongress personal account](#).



Meeting with the director of the film 'North Pole', film screening

📍 [Sopki 21A Center for Contemporary Art at the Murmansk State Regional Universal Scientific Library \(21A, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy\)](#)

🕒 **26 March, 14:00**

The plot is based on the heroic expedition that Soviet submariners took to the top of the Northern Hemisphere in 1962 during a period of heightened confrontation between the USSR and USA. The first Soviet nuclear submarine Leninsky Komsomol passed under the ice pack of the Arctic Ocean and surfaced in proximity to the pole for the first time in world history. The expedition, which was the first of its kind at the time and is comparable in terms of its complexity to the first spaceflights, was intended to demonstrate the power of the latest technologies of the USSR's young nuclear navy and the outstanding skills of Soviet submariners.

The main roles in the film are played by Russian movie stars Andrey Merzlikin, Yevgeny Mironov, and Elena Sever.

Directed by: Alexander Kott

Written by: Denis Rodimin and Roman Vladykin

Production: Central Partnership, Russian North, with the involvement of the Okko online cinema and with the support of the Cinema Fund.

Participants can attend free of charge after pre-registering in the [Roscongress personal account](#).



Art cocktail

📍 [Murmansk Regional Drama Theatre \(49, Prospekt Lenina\)](#)

🕒 **27 March, 19:00–20:30**

Performance 'Prologue about the Murmansk Region'. Concert by the Red Banner Northern Fleet Ensemble.

A theatrical concert dedicated to the Murmansk Region that talks about the history of the region in six episodes.

Episode 1 'Creation of the World'

Episode 2 'The Harsh Land of Snow'

Episode 3 'Great Arctic Navigators'

Episode 4 'Romanov-na-Murmane: The Last City of the Russian Empire'

Episode 5 'War in the Arctic'

Episode 6 'Rebirth from the Ashes'

Participants can attend free of charge with a ticket after pre-registering in the [Roscongress personal account](#) and picking up their ticket from the cultural programme stand before 16:00 on 27 March.



Exhibition of ice sculptures

📍 [Ulitsa Leningradskaya, Murmansk](#)

🕒 **26 March, 18:00–19:30**

On the evening of 26 March, the ice will start to melt under the electric saws of ice axes, and the air will be filled with the magic of creativity. Sculptors will start transforming cold blocks of ice into works of art to provide visitors with a real show and a breathtaking spectacle!

The sculptures – symbols of the Arctic regions and northern lands – will emerge right before the audience's eyes.

The evening celebration will continue the traditions of the Snegoled Festival, which has been bringing together lovers of winter art for many years.

The first Exhibition of ice sculptures took place in the Murmansk Region back in 2011, marking the beginning of a whole series of events that unite talented artists and spectators.


Admission is free.



Sightseeing tour for Forum participants

 [Murmansk](#)

 **25 March, 19:30**

 **28 March, 08:00, 09:30**

The tour will provide an introduction to the heroic city of Murmansk, the largest city in the world beyond the Arctic Circle and Russia's most important ice-free port.

Guests will learn about the history of the city's founding, its cultural heritage, and the unique natural conditions of the Far North.

The tour participants will have an opportunity to:

- Honour the memory of the defenders of the Arctic during World War II at the foot of one of Russia's tallest monuments, which Murmansk residents affectionately call 'Alyosha'
- Enjoy picturesque views of the port and Kola Bay
- Visit the memorial complex dedicated to sailors who died in peacetime and one of the top Orthodox sites in the Arctic capital – the Church of the Saviour on the Waters

The tour will take place on a new comfortable bus and be accompanied by a professional guide.

Tours are free for participants. Registration is **required** in [Roscongress personal account](#).

All tours are in Russian and start from the Meridian Congress Hotel.


The number of seats is limited.

Photos provided by the Government of the Murmansk Region and the Roscongress Foundation Photo Bank.



SPORTING PROGRAMME

For a complete list, detailed information, and the conditions for visiting events, see:

 ['Sporting programme'](#) section of the Forum website

 Sporting programme stand (AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 1st floor)



Gala event dedicated to the 90th Festival of the North

 [Central Trade Union Stadium, 1, Ulitsa Chelyuskintsev](#)

 **26 March, 20:00–21:30**

The Festival of the North is one of the largest sporting events in the Arctic region, dating back to 1934. This year, the competitions will run until 12 April and will feature 12 nationwide events and competitions across 11 sports. A total of 6,500 athletes are expected to participate.

For the first time in the Festival's history, nationwide competitions in figure skating, and national championships in sports tourism, amateur cycling, and winter swimming will be held.


The gala programme will include a parade of athletes, motocross freestyle performances featuring current Russian champions and prize-winners, as well as a concert with renowned Arctic ensembles.

Entrance is free upon presentation of a Forum participant badge.



51st Murmansk Ski Marathon

 [Dolina Uyuta](#)

 **29–30 March**

One of the largest skiing events in Russia is the Murmansk Marathon, which has been held since 1974. This year, the 51st edition of the marathon will take place in Dolina Uyuta and will be part of the Russialoppet Ski Marathon Cup.

The marathon will feature races of 25 km and 50 km in both freestyle and classic techniques. A children's ski marathon will also be held, with young athletes born between 2016 and 2020 taking part.

Last year, the marathon attracted around 3,000 participants from 69 regions of Russia and from abroad, including Germany, Slovakia, Australia, Georgia, Belarus, and Kazakhstan.

Registration for the remaining free slots will resume on 26 March at the Dolina Uyuta.



Outdoor sports activities

[Murmansk](#)

25–29 March

- **Snowball fights.** Relive your childhood and feel the thrill of friendly competition.
- **Skiing and snowboarding.** Challenge yourself on the slopes while enjoying breathtaking views and the crisp Arctic air.
- **Arctic team-building.** Strengthen team spirit in a unique atmosphere by solving engaging challenges together.
- **Arctic Workout in Ties.** Start your day feeling energized and positive. Add a bit of humour to the business atmosphere.
- **Traditional sports of the indigenous peoples of the North.** Try your hand at traditional sports of indigenous peoples, immersing yourself in the region's rich history and culture.
- **Ice floating on Semenovskoye Lake.** We invite you to experience a dip in Arctic waters in special warm floating suits that will keep you safe and comfortable.

TRANSPORT



SHUTTLE BUSES

During the Forum, free regular shuttles will run via the following below routes.

The schedule and routes may change. Full information is available in the '[Shuttles](#)' section on the International Arctic Forum website.

Route 1

Transport hubs ↔ AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk ↔ Meridian Congress Hotel		Frequency: 30 min.
26–27 March, 07:00–21:00		
Route 1.1	Transport hub 1 (Cosmos Murmansk Hotel) – AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk – Meridian Congress Hotel – transport hub 1 (Cosmos Murmansk Hotel)	
Route 1.2	Transport hub 2 (69 Parallel) – AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk – Meridian Congress Hotel – transport hub 2 (69 Parallel)	

- **Route No. 1.1**

Transport hub 1 is located at [17, Ulitsa Akademika Knipovicha](#), and is the nearest pick-up/drop-off point for the following hotels: Rooms & Breakfast, Cosmos Murmansk Hotel, Glarus.



- **Route No. 1.2**

Transport hub 2 is located at [114, Lyzhny Proyezd](#), and is the nearest pick-up/drop-off point for the following hotels: 69 Parallel, Ogni Murmanska, Expedition Park Hotel.

Route 2

	Airport ↔ Accreditation centre	Frequency: 60 min.
	25–28 March, 07:00–21:00	
Route 2	Murmansk Airport – Accreditation centre – Murmansk Airport	

* On March 27, instead of the Accreditation centre, the shuttle makes a stop at the AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk.

Route 3

	Forum venues	Frequency: 40 min.
	26–27 March, 07:00–21:00	
Route 3	<p>26 March: Accreditation centre – AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk – Meridian Congress Hotel – Accreditation centre</p> <p>27 March: AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk – Meridian Congress Hotel</p>	



CAR RENTAL

Participants of the International Arctic Forum 2025 can rent an accredited chauffeur-driven car. Transport services include:

- rental of a vehicle with a driver;
- car and driver accreditation;
- all petrol and car wash expenses;
- vehicle disinfection and handling in accordance with official Rospotrebnadzor (Russian Federal Service for the Oversight of Consumer Protection and Welfare) recommendations, including personal protective equipment (PPE);
- 24-hour professional dispatch and consultations on any questions regarding both the vehicle and the driver.

More details about the proposed rates and the application form for car rental are available in the 'Car rental' section in the [Roscongress personal account](#).

Contact RC Service for more information on vehicle rental conditions:

+7 (495) 108 4848

autobooking@forumarctica.ru



BUSINESS SERVICES

INTERNET ACCESS

Internet access is available free of charge at the Kirov Palace of Culture and at the Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall.

Network (SSID): **ArcticForum**

Password: **Roscongress**

To log in, please enter the badge ID (7 or 8 digits) and passcode (4 digits) indicated on your badge.

BROADCASTS OF FORUM EVENTS

Live broadcasts of the International Arctic Forum events will be available:

- in the '[Programme](#)' section of the Forum website;
- on the [Roscongress Foundation website](#).

A broadcast archive following the event will be available on the Roscongress Foundation website.

ROSCONGRESS MOBILE APP



The Roscongress mobile app is an information, communication, and service platform for participants of all events organized by the Foundation.

The mobile app is available for downloading in the App Store and Google Play (search term: roscongress). All the app's functions and features are fully available after entering the Roscongress personal account login and password.

Key app features:

- Information on all Roscongress Foundation events
- Private and group chat features, enabling you to communicate with other Forum participants
- Access to the latest event programme, and the ability to add separate Forum events to the in-built calendar
- Video broadcasts of business events
- Meeting scheduler
- The ability to exchange contacts with other participants
- Forum venue map
- Push notifications for important Forum events and services.

New sections and services will appear in the mobile app as the Forum approaches.

ARRANGING BUSINESS MEETINGS

Participants can use the 'BCE' section of the [Roscongress personal account](#) and the 'Event calendar' of the Roscongress mobile app to plan and arrange business meetings.



Scheduled meetings can be held, elsewhere at the International Arctic Forum venues, or at other locations.

- If you wish to schedule a meeting, open the 'Event calendar' section, then add a new event, specify the type of event (Meeting), select the time and location add invitees from the list of Forum participants. Only participants who consented to their information being displayed will be visible. Consent is provided at the registration stage.
- Go to the 'Notification Centre' section or 'Business Matchmaking' section to view invitations from other participants.

REMINDER

Select the event type 'Reminder' to set up a reminder in the 'Calendar' section on the mobile application when creating an event.



PARTICIPANT BAG

Participant bags can be collected at the distribution stand in the accreditation centre upon presentation of a participant badge. Participants may also pick up bags for other participants by presenting their badge and that of the participant whose bag they wish to pick up.

PARTICIPANT BAG DISTRIBUTION POINT OPERATING HOURS

LOCATION	DATES	OPERATING HOURS
Accreditation centre, 1st floor Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall (3, Ulitsa Sofyi Perovskoy)	26–27 March	08:00–20:00



DINING

The Forum venue will have a coffee break area with free service for the International Arctic Forum participants.

- Kirov Palace of Culture, 3rd floor
- 26 March, 09:00–16:00
- 27 March, 15:00–17:00

A special **Arctic-themed menu** will be available for Forum participants. **Restaurant service format (at additional cost):**

- Gray Goose [\(52, Prospekt Lenina\)](#)
 +7 (8152) 99 9777
- Terrasa [\(69, Prospekt Lenina\)](#)
 +7 (8152) 37 7377
- Lovi Kraba [\(14, Ulitsa Kominterny\)](#)
 +7 (8152) 70 8877
- Bely Krolik [\(20, Ulitsa Profsoyuzov\)](#)
 +7 (8152) 55 7777

Buffet format (at additional cost):


- Restaurant Arktika [\(82, Prospekt Lenina\)](#)
 +7 (911) 300 8706



As part of the International Arctic Forum, Murmansk will also host the **'Taste of the Arctic' gastronomic festival**.

Throughout the day, visitors will be able to sample Arctic cuisine from across the Russian Arctic Zone (for a fee). More information about the festival is available at арктическаякухня.рф.

 [Ulitsa Vorovskogo, opposite Central Square](#)

 25 March, 15:00–21:00

 26–30 March, 11:00–21:00

For information on other dining options in Murmansk, visit the regional tourism portal murmansk.travel or use any publicly available search engine.


HOLDING PRESS EVENTS

Participants may reserve specially designated spaces at the Forum venue to hold press events, book protocol and organizational support services for agreement signing ceremonies and press conferences are also available.

The services are free of charge and subject to availability of spaces at the time of request.

For inquiries concerning press centre services, please contact:

Alvina Shirinskaya, alvina.shirinskaia@roscongress.org


 +7 (903) 784 9395

PRESS CENTRE

 Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall, 2nd floor

 26–27 March, 08:00–20:00

PRESS POINTS

 Kirov Palace of Culture, 1st floor

 AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 2nd floor

 Meridian Congress Hotel, 1st floor

SIGNING CEREMONY POINT


 AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 2nd floor

Press points and signing ceremony points are free.


Applications to hire rooms for press events will be accepted **until 24 March 2025** by mail alvina.shirinskaia@roscongress.org.

INFORMATION AND SERVICES POINTS

Information and service points are located at all sites of the Forum.

 Kirov Palace of Culture, 1st floor

 AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 1st floor

 Meridian Congress Hotel, 1st floor

 Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall, 1st floor

At information and services points, participants can obtain information on the business, cultural programme, available services, directions around the venue, and other sites.



The information and services points also provide an opportunity to:

- copy and print documents;
- record information to electronic media;
- learn about things lost and found at the venue;
- charge mobile devices (Kirov Palace of Culture);
- carry out a business trip registration (on 26 March in the Kirov Palace of Culture, on 27 March in the Kirov Palace of Culture and AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk).



ROSCONGRESS PHOTO BANK

The Roscongress Foundation provides photography for all events at the Future Technologies Forum. Photographs are published at the Roscongress photo bank in real time. Images can be displayed by event and date to facilitate browsing.

The photographs are available for viewing and free download in high resolution, and may be freely used, provided a reference to the Roscongress Foundation is included.



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PHOTO AND VIDEO SERVICES

RC-Media LLC, a subsidiary of the Roscongress Foundation, offers photography and videography services, as well as [video production](#) during events of the business and cultural programme and events of partners of the International Arctic Forum.

To order a service, please complete the [application](#) and send it to evgeniy.kombarov@roscongress.org.

Please visit the [Roscongress personal account](#) and '[Photo and video services](#)' section of the Forum website for detailed information.

To learn more about these services and how to arrange them, please contact evgeniy.kombarov@roscongress.org.

Contact person: Evgeniy Kombarov.



INFORMATION AND PR SUPPORT

RC-Media LLC, a subsidiary of the Roscongress Foundation, offers a package information and PR support solution for companies participating in the International Arctic Forum.

- Prompt preparation of media materials from the Forum venue
- [Photo and video production](#) during the Forum
- Placement of information on the website and the official social media pages of the Forum and the Roscongress Foundation
- Organization of online sessions and live broadcasts on the official social media pages of the Forum
- Creation of analytics upon completion of the Forum
- Special media projects on request

To learn more about these services and how to arrange them, please contact evgeniy.kombarov@roscongress.org.

Contact person: Evgeniy Kombarov.



SME COOPERATION

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

The **SME Cooperation B2B service** is a project that the Roscongress Foundation is implementing to support small and medium-sized businesses. The platform brings together Russian and foreign companies to develop business and industrial cooperation, attract investment, and exchange technologies.

Support is provided by the SME Corporation and Roscongress Foundation. Companies create their own cards, after which they can view the register and see what other companies offer.

The service is **free** and available to all users of the [Roscongress personal account](#).

Create a company business card, view offers from other participants, and start intensifying your business cooperation and collaboration!

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE SERVICE?

Convenient format

A **networking platform register** is formed through cooperation between suppliers and customers, and is continuously updated with the latest data. The register serves as an online shop window, providing a convenient search function for essential goods, services, suppliers, contractors, investors, and

Foreign business contacts

The SME networking platform not only offers unique goods and services sold in Russia's remote regions but also provides an opportunity to establish cooperation with foreign companies.

Speed of getting into direct contact with decision-makers

Thanks to the well-established delegate-management mechanisms of the Roscongress Foundation team, participants of the SME networking platform can engage in negotiations at the Roscongress Foundation venues in a seamless "here and now" format, reducing the time and effort

Partners and investors

Post information about your company and products to attract new partners and investors from Russia and other countries

Product search

More than 5,100 verified Russian manufacturers and suppliers

Quick access

Access to requests from private companies and retail chains for finished products or components with the ability to respond to them



The more information you provide about your offer and needs, the higher your chances of finding customers, suppliers, and new sales channels. It will also boost your opportunities to offer your services, giving you a better chance to expand your business and strengthen your position in the market.

HOW CAN I BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SERVICE?

1. You can apply in your [Roscongress personal account](#) (the SME Cooperation tab) by filling in the participant's card according to the following pattern:
 - General information about the company
 - Information on the company's goods, services and projects
 - Information on the demand for the company's goods, services, and suppliers, the preparedness/willingness to enter new markets, etc.
2. After entering your goods/services information, you can learn more about the goods/services cards that have already been created and other companies' needs for goods/services.
3. **The goods and services information** section provides company registers by category (non-food goods/food/services) based on the goods and services cards that are generated. With their help, you will be able to:
 - Find the items you need with the sorting function and exchange contacts
 - Communicate directly with decision-makers
 - Schedule significant **meetings at the Forum venue** and discuss details of cooperation in the comfort of the business lounges.

BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP PLATFORM

In 2024, the service 'SME Cooperation' was supplemented with a new functionality: access to the Business Partnership Platform on the MSP.RF Digital Platform, which creates new opportunities for your business.

If your business is registered in Russia, log in through the Gosuslugi portal.

If your business is registered outside of Russia, go through the verification process via the Roscongress personal account.

You do not need to re-enter your company's details on the Business Partnership Platform. The data will be automatically retrieved from your Roscongress personal account, provided you have given consent for data transfer.



ROSCONGRESS.ORG INFORMATION AND ANALYTICAL SYSTEM

The Roscongress Information and Analytical System is a unique Roscongress Foundation knowledge base.

The Roscongress IAS provides quick and easy access to all resources related to major business events in Russia that are organized by the Roscongress Foundation.

Features of the interactive knowledge base:

- descriptions of **7,000+** sessions across more than **280** topics covering global and national development;
- Talks, interviews, and insights from more than **25,000** speakers;
- research studies, articles, analytical digests, and expert reviews.



Forum participants and all visitors to the ROSCONGRESS.ORG website have a range of services at their disposal:

- **Summary:** analytical summaries of key discussions, including overviews of conclusions, objectives, and solutions.
- **Analytical digests:** a selection of analytical materials dedicated to important comprehensive studies on the business agenda of the forums.
- **Video broadcasts of business programme events** and the broadcast archive. Broadcasts are available in the '[Programme](#)' section of the event website.
- **Search video broadcasts:** a feature enabling the user to search for information of interest within videos of events.
- **Base of the Foundation speakers and experts:** the main information about the participants of the events, their bright statements.
- **Official business directory of the portal.**
- **The Roscongress Blog:** interviews with famous people from the world of culture, sport and science, fascinating stories about the cities and regions in which congresses are held, and articles about the lifestyles of businesspeople.

Forum participants are able to use unique services and appreciate the advantages of the ROSCONGRESS.ORG Information and Analytical System in their mobile phones, tablets and computers.

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SPECIAL STATUS FOR ROSCONGRESS FOUNDATION EVENT PARTICIPANTS

Companies with Special Status are included in the ROSCONGRESS.ORG Information and Analytical System's business catalogue (Companies section).

Strengthen your company's brand and unlock its potential by joining an authoritative portal's ecosystem.

Benefits of being published in the Companies section:

- The creation of a separate company webpage in the ROSCONGRESS.ORG business catalogue.
- Information published about the company, including activities, history, and areas of expertise.
- The ability to publish analytical materials and expert commentaries*.
- The ability to take advantage of the Roscongress Foundation's marketing capabilities.
- Strengthen participants' online presence.
- Raise brand awareness and visibility of the company's senior executives and experts.
- Have your company associated with the country's biggest events.

* Materials must not contain information aimed at either promoting the company or its goods and services for advertising purposes.

Take a leadership approach to progress and advancement!

Take advantage of the resources offered on ROSCONGRESS.ORG. Benefit from a wealth of expert information and share experience on analytics and artificial intelligence.

Get your expertise, experience, ideas and innovations noticed by the Roscongress Foundation website's target audience.

 roscongress.org/company



GENERAL INFORMATION



FIRST AID

First aid points at the Forum venue:

- Kirov Palace of Culture, 1st floor
- 26–27 March, 08:00–19:00
- Meridian Congress Hotel, 4th floor
- 25–28 March, 08:00–20:00

Ambulances will be stationed at the event venues for the duration of the Event.



CLOAKROOM

- Kirov Palace of Culture, 1st floor
- AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 2nd floor
- Murmansk Regional Philharmonic Hall, 1st floor
- 26–27 March, 08:00–20:00

There is no luggage room on the Forum venues. We kindly ask you to leave voluminous items at your accommodation or in the car.



CURRENCY AND BANK CARD TRANSACTIONS

CURRENCY EXCHANGE

The official currency in Russia is the Russian ruble with banknotes in denominations of 10, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1,000, 2,000, and 5,000 roubles. Current information on exchange rates can be obtained on the website of the Central Bank of Russia: cbr.ru.

Please note the following currency exchange restrictions in the Russian Federation:

- It is not possible to withdraw roubles / foreign currency at an ATM or receive cash at a point of sale using Mastercard or Visa cards issued outside of Russia. These cards can also not be used for the payment of goods and services in Russia.
- Only cash in US dollars or euros can be freely exchanged for cash in roubles in most banks in Russia. Some bank offices can exchange Chinese yuan, United Arab Emirates dirham, Turkish lira and cash in other currencies.
- For currency exchange operations you must present an identity document. If the exchange exceeds the equivalent of USD 10,000, it must be declared in writing.

BANK CARDS

Given the existing restrictions on the use of foreign bank cards in Russia, we recommend that you carry cash with you for the entire duration of the Conference.

Mir and UnionPay cards in any currency work without restrictions in Russia. Forum participants are advised, where possible, to apply for a card or bring an existing card from either of these payment systems. *Please note the UnionPay cards are not accepted at all retail outlets. Additionally, failures may occur when using these cards, and transactions may not go through.*



EMERGENCY SERVICES

In the event of an emergency, please contact the following municipal services for help:

Rescue service (for mobile phone users): **112**

Fire brigade: **101** (for mobile phone users), **01**

Police: **102** (for mobile phone users), **02**

On-duty officer of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia, Murmansk Region: **+7 (8152) 457 679**

Ambulance: **103** (from mobile phones), **03**

Pervaya 24-hour pharmacy ([45, Ulitsa Schmidta](#)): **+7 (8152) 459 669**

Murmansk Information Bureau: **+7 (8152) 400 640**



WEATHER IN MURMANSK

Murmansk is located above the Arctic Circle, and the weather here is unpredictable even in spring.

In late March, the average temperature is around -3°C , but frequent winds can make it feel significantly colder. Snowfall and frost are possible. Please check the weather forecast before departure.



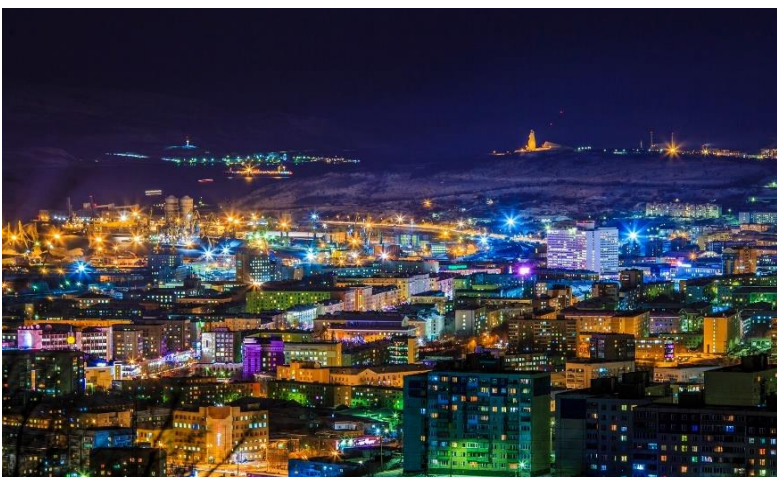
EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The Forum venues are furnished with modern safety equipment, including video surveillance and fire extinguishing systems.

In case of evacuation announcement, participants should:

- keep calm and follow instructions of the Forum staff, the police and other persons responsible for maintaining public order and fire safety as well as the voice alarm instructions;
- not interfere with rescue personnel, police and transport operations;
- leave the venue according to the evacuation plans and follow the exit signs;
- give way to vehicles with sound and light signalling devices.

We ask you to immediately report smoke, fire or any suspicious objects by dialling 112 on your mobile device and notify the Forum staff.



USEFUL INFORMATION ABOUT MURMANSK

Murmansk Region is full-fledged Arctic. Located on the Kola Peninsula in the northwestern part of Russia, the region lies almost entirely beyond the Arctic Circle, that is why it is called the Polar Region.


The Hero City of Murmansk is the capital of the Polar Region and the largest city in the world above the Arctic Circle. It serves as a major logistics hub, home to the world's only nuclear-powered icebreaker fleet, and a key strategic outpost of Russia in the Arctic.

Murmansk is also the starting point of the Northern Sea Route, a vital maritime corridor that provides the shortest passage between continents and opens new opportunities for economic development.




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TIME ZONE

Local time in Murmansk is the same as in Moscow: three hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (UTC+3).

TOURIST INFORMATION BUREAU

-  +7 (991) 669 5460
-  AZIMUT City Hotel Murmansk, 1st floor ([82, Prospekt Lenina](#))
-  Mon–Sat 10:00–19:00
-  Ploshchad Pyat Uglov, in front of the Meridian Congress Hotel
-  25 March, 15:00–21:00
-  26–30 March, 11:00–21:00

ATTRACTIONS AND TOURISM IN MURMANSK

A flight from Moscow to Murmansk takes approximately two hours, making this the most accessible gateway to the Arctic. The region offers diverse opportunities for adventure – hunting and fishing, skiing and mountaineering, kiting and diving, reindeer and dog sledding, rafting, cultural and pilgrimage tourism, and Arctic cuisine tastings.

Visitors can also embark on whale-watching tours in Teriberka, chase the magical Northern Lights, or even travel to the North Pole aboard a nuclear icebreaker.

Within the city, key attractions include Heroes' Alley, the Alyosha Monument – Russia's second-largest monument and a symbol of the courage and resilience of the defenders of the Arctic – and the Lenin, the world's first nuclear-powered icebreaker.

Following its renovation, the Murmansk Regional Museum of Local Lore has reopened, offering visitors an immersive experience into the region's rich history and unique culture.

The Northern Lights are best viewed outside the city in designated observation areas.

For more details, visit murmansk.travel.

MUST-SEE ATTRACTIONS IN MURMANSK

- Alyosha monument – To the Defenders of the Soviet Arctic during the Great Patriotic War memorial
- Lenin Nuclear Icebreaker Arctic Exhibition Centre
- Murmansk Regional Museum of Local Lore
- Murmansk Regional Art Museum (featuring a contemporary art exhibition from the collection of Andrey Malakhov)
- To Submariners Lost in Peacetime memorial (the conning tower of the Kursk nuclear submarine)
- Spaso-Preobrazhensky Maritime Cathedral (Savior on Waters)
- Waiting Woman monument
- Semenovskoye Lake

ATTRACTIONS NEAR MURMANSK

- Northern Lights activity park
- Sam Syit Sami village, Lovozero

- Husky Camp husky farm
- Valley of Glory memorial complex
- Pomorskaya Naberezhnaya

WEEKEND GETAWAYS

- Teriberka rural area
- Bolshoy Vudyavr ski resort, Kirovsk
- Whale Shore glamping, Sredny Peninsula
- White Sea coast (Kandalaksha, Umba)

This information is valid as of 24 March 2025.

The latest information about the Forum can be found on the official website forumarctica.ru.



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