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Information about the Forum programme, business events
and speakers is updated on the official Forum website at www.forumarctica.ru

INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC FORUM NEWS

28 September 2018, TASS

Meeting on preparation of the International Arctic Forum held in Arkhangelsk

On 28 September, a discussion on the preparation and holding of the 5th International Arctic Forum ‘Arctic: Territory of Dialogue’ took place in Arkhangelsk; it was chaired by Anton Kobayakov, Adviser to the President of the Russian Federation and Executive Secretary of the Forum’s Organizing Committee.

During the meeting, the preparation of the venues for events and exhibition area was discussed, as well as the improvement of logistics in Arkhangelsk. It was decided to improve the structure and overall functioning of the Arkhangelsk International Airport. As in 2017, the Arkhangelsk Drama Theater was approved as the venue of the plenary meeting. Heads of regional authorities were instructed to take part in planning, locating and installing objects of the exhibition segment presenting potential for social and economic development of the Russian Arctic.

<https://tass.ru/novosti-partnerov/5623206>

20 September 2018, Tass

Russian regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry to take part in the Arctic Forum 2019 in Arkhangelsk

Chambers of Commerce and Industry (CCI’s) of the Russian regions will take part in the International Arctic Forum ‘Arctic: Territory of Dialogue’, which is going to be held in Arkhangelsk on 9–10 April 2019, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation Sergey Katyrin told the journalists.

“We are definitely going to take part in the Forum. The Arkhangelsk Regional Chamber of Commerce has already taken the first step by organizing the International Conference of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the Northwestern Federal District and the Chambers of Commerce of Finland. I am sure it will be a good experience,” he said.

<http://tass.ru/ekonomika/5586134>

13 September 2018, RIA Novosti

Arkhangelsk Region to receive additional funding for the Arctic Forum

Arkhangelsk Region will receive additional funding for the preparation of infrastructure facilities for the Arctic Forum, which will be held there in April 2019, the press service of the regional government reports.

The issue was discussed during the working meeting between Dmitry Medvedev and Igor Orlov. The head of the region reported to the Chairman of the Government on how the region prepares for the event.

“The Prime Minister appreciated our work and supported the proposal to allocate additional funds from the government reserve to the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation for preparation of the infrastructure of the federal university for the 2019 Forum,” Igor Orlov said.

<https://ria.ru/economy/20180913/1528466529.html>

13 September 2018, Vzglyad

Northern Sea Route becomes a two-way path

The first container shipments from Asia to Europe along the Northern Sea Route prove the efficiency and relevance of this transport corridor. So far, cargo has been shipped to Asian countries due to development of the port and petroleum infrastructure of Yamal and the launch of LNG exports to China. Now the NSR is becoming a two-way Arctic path.

The Northern Sea Route connecting the East with Europe was one of the topics discussed at the Eastern Economic Forum in Vladivostok. “Right now, the first ice-class container ship is moving along the Northern Sea Route – the shortest sea route between the Far East and Europe. This voyage from Vladivostok to St. Petersburg (with an initial visit to the Korean port of Busan and then on to Bremerhaven in Germany), without exaggeration, opens up a new page in the history of commercial navigation, and confirms the safety, efficiency and relevance of the Russian Arctic and the entire Northern Sea Route as an international corridor,” said President Vladimir Putin at the plenary session of the EEF.

<https://vz.ru/economy/2018/9/13/940866.html>

NEW DEVELOPMENT MECHANISMS IN THE ARCTIC: SUCCESS STORIES

17 September 2018, TASS

The mechanism of infrastructure mortgage will benefit the sustainable development of the Arctic, expert says

The tasks of sustainable economic development of the Arctic territories and attracting investment in the Arctic zone of the Russian Federation can be accomplished through using the mechanism of infrastructure mortgage. This opinion was expressed to TASS by Alexander Vorotnikov of the Expert Center PORA, Associate professor at RANEPA at the Forum of the Association of Technical Universities of Russia and China on Arctic research in Yakutsk.

“Clearly, the vast development of the Arctic infrastructures requires respectively large funding. The work on the new mechanism has been going on for about a year now and is about to be completed. The new instrument will make it possible to finance many investment projects in the Russian Arctic, and will make its sustainable development a reality,” he said.

<https://tass.ru/v-strane/5570661>

5 September 2018, Tomsk Polytechnic University (tpu.ru)

Tomsk Polytechnic University officially joined the University of the Arctic (UArctic)

At the Second Congress of the University of the Arctic (UArctic) 2018, which took place in Finland, Tomsk Polytechnic University officially received membership in the UArctic. The University of the Arctic is an international project that brings together more than 200 universities, research institutions and industrial companies engaged in research in the Arctic region. Educational institutions that have joined the UArctic network have the opportunity to use all of each other’s resources, services and researches to create higher education programmes that are relevant and accessible to students and teachers.

<https://news.tpu.ru/news/2018/09/05/33612>

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