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MOSCOW, MAY 17

A DISCUSSION SESSION IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EVENTS "TECHNOLOGIES FOR ECOLOGY"

On May 17, a discussion session was held at the Public Chamber of the Russian Federation within the framework of the "Technologies for the Environment" event on the topic "Challenges of industrial decarbonization: how an enterprise should take into account the risks of a low-carbon development strategy".

The organizer of the event was the Commission of the OP RF on ecology and environmental protection together with the committee of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation on nature management and ecology and the national award in the field of environmental technologies "Ecotech-Leader".

The moderator of the event is Elena Sharoykina, Chairperson of the RF Civil Society Commission on Ecology and Environmental Protection.

The discussion session was attended by leading experts in the field of ecology and environmental monitoring, representatives of companies successfully implementing practices to reduce the carbon footprint, representatives of government authorities and development institutions, and media representatives.

The main topic of the session was the best practices and technologies for reducing greenhouse emissions of enterprises, new priorities for business.

The session was included in the activities of the RF OP on environmental monitoring within the framework of the national award in the field of environmental technologies "Ecotech-Leader".

The UNIDO Center in the Russian Federation acted as an information partner for a series of events. At the session, a report was presented on the topic "UNIDO's experience in implementing projects to reduce the carbon footprint in industry."

MOSCOW, MAY 19

KASPERSKY SUMMED UP THE RESULTS OF THE CHILDREN'S DRAWING COMPETITION ON THE TOPIC "INFORMATION SECURITY: TODAY AND TOMORROW"

On May 19, the results of the children's competition "Information Security: Today and Tomorrow" were summed up online.

The competition was organized by Kaspersky Lab and the Family Education Support Center, the Children's interactive educational project "History in Paints" with the information support of the UNIDO Center in the Russian Federation.

The competition was attended by children and adolescents from all over Russia from 7 to 17 years old. Participants of the competition were invited to perform creative work on the topics: "Social networks without threats", "Protection from fraudsters in cyberspace" "The space where we are friends, learn, draw and play", the Internet: good and evil "; "Safe Digital Environment of the Future" in the genre of drawing, poster, postcard.

The jury of the competition included:

Andrey Sidenko, expert at Kaspersky Lab for child safety on the Internet,

Anna Tsvetkova, Deputy Director General of the Russian Museum for Public Relations,

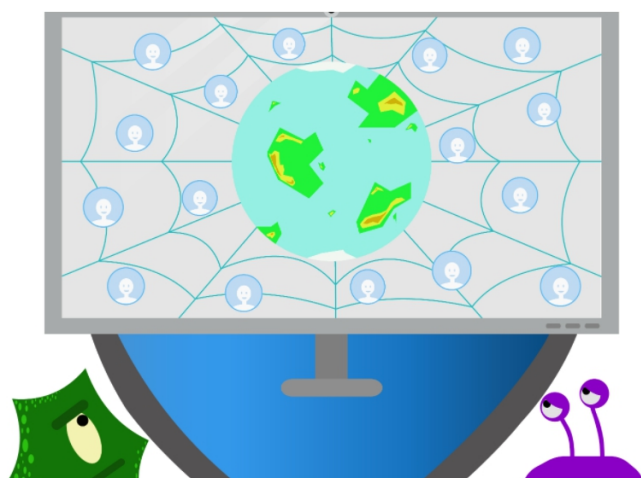
Guzel Gurdus, Director of the Family Education Support Center, curator of the Family Media University programs,

Sergey Korotkov, Director of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization-UNIDO Center in Russia,

Elena Seryogina, Director of the Corporate Social Responsibility Department of MTS,

Nina Vorobyova, expert of the Federal Service for Supervision of Education and Science, Rosobrnadzor, Director of the Charitable

Foundation for Social Assistance "Little Big Man" and others.



“Safety through the eyes of children”, Slotina E. 14 years

The presentation of diplomas, prizes and awards to the winners took place as part of a solemn event dedicated to the celebration of Internet Day in Russia.

MOSCOW, MAY 24-25

SERGEY KOROTKOV DISCUSSED THE PROSPECTS FOR THE TRANSITION TO A "GREEN" ECONOMY AT THE XII INTERNATIONAL FORUM "ECOLOGY".

On May 24-25, 2021, the XII International Forum "Ecology" was held in Moscow. The event was supported by the Committee of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation on ecology and environmental protection, the Federation Council, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ecology of the Russian Federation and other executive authorities. More than 1,500 people from 80 regions of Russia and 10 foreign countries take part in the Forum annually.

The forum participants discussed issues of state regulation and business initiatives in the field of industrial ecology. The moderator of the working session was Natalia Sokolova, chairman of the board of ANO "Ravnopravie".

Sergey Korotkov, Director of the Centre for International Industrial Cooperation in the Russian Federation (ITPO Russia), made a presentation on the role and capabilities of UNIDO in shaping technological industrial policy and organizing a circular economy. He spoke about UNIDO tools and programs in the circular economy, in particular, he mentioned the UNIDO Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production (RECP) Program, which helps companies to increase productivity and resource efficiency, thereby reducing costs and pollution prevention, and low-carbon manufacturing and industrial park programs, as well as the launch of UNIDO's Creative Hub in Ethiopia to support creative industries and entrepreneurship.

Vice-President of the All-Russian Union of Insurers Svetlana Gusar in her speech noted the importance of improving the insurance system in the field of environmental management and environmental protection, in particular, the development of voluntary insurance of environmental risks by enterprises. This approach will help reduce the likelihood of accidents. Examples of incentives for the development of environmental insurance are a decrease in the tax burden for enterprises, a decrease in fees for excess environmental pollution for business entities by the amount of the insurance premium.

Rosstat, together with the Ministry of Natural Resources of Russia, is working on the introduction of natural and economic accounting accounts. Marina Klevakina, Deputy Head of the Department of the Federal State Statistics Service, spoke about this at the session. She noted that the share of environmental taxes and payments in the budget in Russia is between 3 and 6 percent, which is comparable to the trend observed in European countries.

Another key issue of the section was the discussion of improving the integrated system for handling hazardous waste. Alexander Pesterev, head of the federal infrastructure of Duracell Russia, spoke about the creation of infrastructure for the collection and disposal of batteries. He said that more than 2.5 thousand waste collection points for Duracell batteries have been created in Russia. This made it possible to collect 1200 tons of

batteries in 2020 in 85 regions. In addition, school events and battery collection weeks were held in 40 cities across the country.

Among the other main issues on the agenda were the development of control over emissions and discharges, corporate projects to reduce the impact on the environment, the modernization of enterprises and the introduction of eco-technologies, the introduction of eco-standards at enterprises. The session partner was Shchekinoazot OJSC.

The Forum will result in a resolution with the initiatives and recommendations of the event participants dedicated to improving the environmental situation in the country, which is sent to the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, relevant ministries and departments to identify the most significant environmental problems for society, develop solutions for the gradual entry of the country into the green economy and incorporating best practices into work.

MOSCOW, MAY 26

II FRANCO-RUSSIAN LOW-CARBON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM

On May 26, the II Franco-Russian Forum on Low-Carbon Industrial Development took place online in Moscow.

The forum was organized by the Center for Scientific and Technological Cooperation Nauka Innov at the Franco-Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI France Russie) with the support of the French Embassy in Russia.

The forum was intended to bring together leading Russian and French industrial companies making efforts to reduce industrial emissions into the environment.

The forum featured presentations of French and Russian technological and industrial solutions for the low-carbon industry.

On the part of the UNIDO Center for International Industrial Cooperation in the Russian Federation, the UNIDO national consultant Ivan Seregin took part in the forum.

MOSCOW, 26-27 MAY

MOSCOW ACADEMIC ECONOMIC FORUM ON THE TOPIC "GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION OF MODERN SOCIETY AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GOALS OF RUSSIA"

On May 26-27, 2021, the third International Moscow Academic Economic Forum on the topic "Global Transformation of Modern Society and National Development Goals of Russia" was held, organized by the Free Economic Society of Russia, the Russian Academy of Sciences and the International Union of Economists.

The Moscow Academic Economic Forum is a permanent intellectual platform that brings together Russian and foreign experts and scientists. The MAEF-2021 events were attended by specialists from 32 countries of the world - Austria, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Great Britain, Hungary, Germany, Greece, Georgia, Denmark, India, Canada, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, China, Cuba, Moldova, Netherlands, Syria, Turkey, USA, Ukraine, Finland, France, Switzerland, Estonia, Czech Republic, Chile, Japan and Russia.

Among the MAEF participants are scientists and experts from Russia and the world, representatives of the business community, international and Russian public and scientific organizations, government agencies.

The total number of participants in MAEF-2021 events was 8497 participants.

The architecture of the MAEF-2021 included a plenary session at the Russian Academy of Sciences (May 26), plenary conferences (May 27), as well as regional and interregional conferences and congresses, which worked from May 17 to 25 at 63 regional sites of the MAEF in 41 constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

A strong regional component is a distinctive feature of MAEF-2021. More than 460 speakers took part in the regional platforms of the forum this year.

The MAEF-2021 co-chairs are the President of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences Alexander Sergeev and the President of the VEO of Russia, the President of the International Union of Economists Sergey Bodrunov. The co-chairs of the MAEF-2021 Program Committee are Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Head of the Department of Economic Theory and Politics of the RANEPA Abel Aganbegyan, Vice-President of the VEO of Russia, President of the IMEMO named after E.M. Primakov of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences Alexander Dynkin, Member of the Presidium of the VEO of Russia, Scientific Director of the Institute of Economic Forecasting of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences Boris Porfiriev.

The expansion of the MAEF architecture was announced at the opening of the forum. So, within the framework of the forum, as a permanent dialogue platform, the following annual industry and thematic forums will begin to work: the Arctic Academic Forum, the Eurasian Academic Economic Forum, the Agrarian Economic Forum, the Ural Economic Forum, the Energy Forum, the International Ufa Humanitarian Scientific Forum, the Historical and Philosophical Academic Forum, Forum "Communication and Development of Modern Society", International Tourism Forum. This will increase the expert potential of the forum, present a wider range of opinions of the scientific and expert communities on issues of social and economic development.

The Moscow Academic Economic Forum was broadcast live for two days on the websites of the Free Economic Society of Russia, the International Union of Economists, the official website of the MAEF, on the VEO Russia Youtube channel and on the Scientific Russia portal.

Sergey Korotkov, Director of the UNIDO Center in the Russian Federation, made a presentation on the sidelines of the forum and presented proposals to the final resolution of the forum, which includes a proposal to create a global expert platform for discussing issues related to decarbonization, as well as developing strategies for the period up to 2030. taking the necessary actions related to carbon neutrality, reducing global emissions and adapting to climate change.

SAINT PETERSBURG, MAY 26-28

IX NEVSKY ENVIRONMENTAL CONGRESS

The IX Nevsky International Ecological Congress was held on May 27-28, 2021 in St. Petersburg. The event was held by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation under the auspices of the Federation Council with the participation of the Interparliamentary Assembly of the CIS Member States, the operator of the event is the Roscongress Foundation.

The forum was attended by First Deputy Chairman of the Federation Council Andrey Yatskin, Deputy Chairmen of the Federation Council Galina Karelova and Konstantin Kosachev, chairmen of the upper chamber committees, senators of the Russian Federation, Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation Victoria Abramchenko, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation Alexander Kozlov, Governor of St. Petersburg Alexander Beglov, heads and representatives of federal and regional authorities, large companies, foreign guests.

Sergey Korotkov spoke in the section "National strategies and projects in the field of ecology and environmental protection. Exchange of experience. National project" Ecology".

The section was moderated by Rashid Ismailov, Chairman of the Russian Ecological Society, Co-Chairman of the Expert Council under the Federation Council Committee of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation on Agrarian and Food Policy and Environmental Management, and Alexei Mayorov, Chairman of the Federation

Council Committee on Agrarian and Food Policy and Environmental Management.

The Final Resolution of the Congress included items such as:

–Development of international cooperation in promoting the low-carbon nature of nuclear and hydro generation based on the domestic “green” energy balance, including in the field of “green” certification;

–Development of international technological partnership in the field of innovative "green" technologies;

- promoting the efficient use of fossil energy sources within the energy transition;

–Promoting the development of the use of renewable and alternative energy sources; - to develop the environmental and energy sections of the women's Eurasian forum.

The final Resolution will be sent to the Interparliamentary Assembly of the CIS member states and the state authorities of the countries participating in the Congress.



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