Global Russia Business Meeting
6 – 7 April, 2014: Valencia, Spain
Valencia Conference Center, Avenida de las Cortes Valencianas, Valencia

a Horasis leadership event

Co-host:
• City of Valencia

Co-organizers:
• AMEC
• Association of Orthodox Business Leaders
• Association of European Businesses in Russia
• CIERVAL: Confederation of Employers and Industries of the Autonomous Region of Valencia
• Delovaya Rossiya
• International Young Entrepreneurs Club
• Moscow Chamber of Commerce & Industry
• Moscow Investment & Export Promotion Agency (MIEPA)
• Pacific Basin Economic Council (PBEC).
• Russian-American Chamber of Commerce

Co-Chairs:
• Igor Agamirzyan, General Director, Russian Venture Company, Russia
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• The European House - Ambrosetti
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from 18.30 Shuttle service between the Hotel Melia/Hotel Sorolla Palace and the Hotel Las Arenas (Calle Eugenia Viñes, 22-24; ca 15min)

from 18.30 Registration (Hotel Las Arenas)

19.00-20.00 Welcome Reception (Hotel Las Arenas)
Horasis and the City of Valencia welcome participants to celebrate the 2014 Global Russia Business Meeting.
• Rita Barberá, Mayor of Valencia, Spain
• Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

Virtual Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, with the co-organizers
• Alexander I. Ageev, Director General, Association of Orthodox Business Leaders, Russia
• Rita Barberá, Mayor of Valencia, Spain
• José Vicente González, President, CIERVAL, Spain
• Michael Gurevich, Co-founder, International Young Entrepreneurs’ Club, USA
• Sergio Millian, President, Russian-American Chamber of Commerce in the USA, USA
• Vachara Phanchet, Chairman Emeritus, PBEC; Chairman, Sittipol Holdings, Thailand
• Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland
• Suren O. Vardanyan, Vice President, Moscow Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Russia

20.00-22.00 Welcome Dinner: Cooperation in Times of Uncertainty (Hotel Las Arenas)
Russia has been one of the world’s economic growth engines. How will Russia nurture its global leadership role in the present uncertain geopolitical climate? And how can Spain cooperate with Russia?
• José Manuel García-Margallo, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Spain
• Representative of the Government of the Russian Federation (tbc)
• Alberto Fabra, President, Regional Government of Valencia, Spain (tbc)
  Chaired by
• Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

from 22.00 Shuttle service back to the hotels
7 April, 2014

from 07.30 Walk from the Hotel Melia/Hotel Sorolla Palace to the Valencia Conference Center (Avenida de las Cortes Valencianas – the Conference Center is located opposite of the hotels)

or:

Shuttle service between the Hotel Las Arenas and the Valencia Conference Center (15min)

from 07.45 Registration

08.00-09.00 Breakfast Sessions (Conference Center)

Reading and Deciphering Myths about Russia (Room A)
The media is disseminating perceptions about Russia that the general public assumes to be true. Which of these myths are just that – myths – and which are indeed contemplations of reality?

• Martin Avetisyan, Chief Executive Officer, iMall Media, United Kingdom
• Hans Bruning, Executive Director, The Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy, The Netherlands
• Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Greater Paris Investment Agency, France
• Max Dmytrenko, President, Drop Adverts, Russia
• Monish Ghatalia, Managing Director, Focus Circle Group, India
• Andrej Rusakov, Partner, Open Capital, Russia
• Iurii Susliak, President, Righteous Genesis, Ukraine

Chaired by
• Roxanne Zigon, Fellow, GSD Geneva School of Diplomacy, Switzerland

Spearheading or Aligning Capitalism? (Room B)
Modernizing economies often attempt to control development, but market forces might be more efficient. How to shape capitalism in the post-Soviet environment? What are the roles of the State, its sovereign funds, and the emergent class of entrepreneurs?

• Tahir Akhtar, Chairman, Adam Holdings, UAE
• Ivan Alekhin, President, New Technologies, Russia
• Renata Akhunova, Partner, Formula VC Venture Fund, USA
• Peter Armand, Partner, SkyInvest Securities, Russia
• Dmitry Dakhnovsky, Managing Director, TEKAMA, Russia
• Victoria Fayfman, Partner, Friedman, USA
• Leonid Koshelev, President, Jet-2000, Russia

Chaired by
• Natalia Kardash, Editor-in-chief, Vestnik Kipra, Cyprus
**Identifying Regional Divergence (Room C)**

Russia consists of regions with a wide range of different cultures. Could stronger inter-regional links enhance distant centres’ excellence? What are the ambitions of expatriate Russians?

- Maja Bacovic, Professor, University of Montenegro, Montenegro
- Rustem Bogdanov, Co-Owner, BL&R Consulting, Russia
- Alexander Droguov, Chief Executive Officer, Damask, Russia
- Peter Faistauer, Director, FundStreet, Switzerland
- Galina Melnikova, Executive Director, Horizon, Russia
- Igor Pivovarov, Chief Executive Officer, HemaCore, Russia
- Evgeniya Shamis, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Sherpa S Pro, Russia
- Marina Treshchova, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Fastlane Ventures, Russia
- Stefan Winzenried, Chief Executive Officer, JANZZ, Switzerland

*Chaired by*
- Stephen Vasconcellos-Sharpe, Publisher, Country Strategic, United Kingdom

**Russia's Youth - A Generation in Transition (Room D)**

Youth is changing the way in Russia and elsewhere. What are the characteristics of Russia’s young leaders? What are the challenges and opportunities of this generation?

- Victor Antonov, General Director, IBS Development, Russia
- Yuri Istomin, Senior Partner, UCF Invest, Russia
- Svetlana Kamyshanskaya, Managing Partner, USBC, USA
- Denis Kolesnicenko, Managing Partner, ProCommerz.ru, Russia
- Taisiya Kudashkina, Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder, tulip.ru, Russia
- Margarita Papchenkova, Correspondent, Vedomosti, Russia
- Elena Parvenova, Director, Lordship Group, Kenya
- Margarita Pikalo, Co-founder and Partner, Satellis, Russia
- Lloyd Thomas, Founder, TriangleGrowth, United Kingdom

*Chaired by*
- Michael Gurevich, Co-founder, International Young Entrepreneurs' Club, USA

**09.00-10.00 Opening Plenary: Russia's Changing Economic Outlook (Main Room)**

The global economic outlook for 2014 remains uncertain despite Russia’s past economic success. What are the near- and long-term perspectives in this challenging environment, especially given the sanctions proposed by Europe and the US?

- Igor Agamirzyan, General Director, Russian Venture Company, Russia
- Sheikh Saif bin Hashil Al-Maskery, Chairman, Al Mahfadha Investments, Oman
- José Vicente González, President, CIERVAL, Spain
- Mikhail V. Kuzovlev, Chairman, Bank of Moscow, Russia
- Vachara Phanchet, Chairman, Sittipol Holdings, Thailand

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- Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

**10.00-10.30 Contact Break**

**10.30-12.00 Boardroom Dialogue Sessions**
Spain as New Hub for Russian Investment (Room A)
Notwithstanding its current financial issues Spain’s economy remains attractive. What new investment opportunities does Spain offer for Russia? What sectors are mutually beneficial to each nation?
• L J Tomas Berenguer, Chairman, Li Madou Asia Pacific, Hong Kong SAR
• Mohan Chainani, Chairman, Chaincorp Worldwide, Spain
• Oxana Dubrovina, President, Aviajur, Austria
• Andrey Kazakov, General Partner, Foresight Ventures, Russia
• Jose Maria Muñoz, Senior Partner, MCH Private Equity, Spain
• Alex Polynov, Co-founder, Founderfellows, Russia
• Oleg Svintsitski, Partner, Quantum Wave Fund, Russia
• Irina Veselova, President, Planet Capital, Russia
Chaired by
• Javier López Mora, Secretary General, CIERVAL, Spain

Rethinking Russia’s Competitive Edge (Room B)
For years Russia has relied on its energy sources as its dominant source of income. Now it is investing more strongly in infrastructure and high-tech projects. How is Russia revising its economic models to ensure a viable future?
• Claude Beglé, Chairman, Symbioswiss, Switzerland
• Stiphan Beher, Chief Operating Officer, Orbital Technologies, Russia
• Rouben Indjikian, Adjunct Professor, Webster University, Switzerland
• Alexey Jarkov, Chief Executive Officer, CPI, Russia
• Stacy Kenworthy, Chief Executive Officer, OptiGlobal, USA
• Vadim Osipov, Chief Executive Officer, Slotex, Russia
• Vitaly Ponomarev, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, WayRay, Russia
• Alena Popova, Co-founder, Startup Women, Russia
• Boris Stepanov, Sloan Fellow, London Business School, Russia
• Bogdan Vacusta, Managing Director, Elco Management, United Kingdom
• Egor Iakovlev, Chief Executive Officer, Tvigle Media, Russia
Chaired by
• Sergio Millian, President, Russian-American Chamber of Commerce in the USA, USA

Entrepreneurship – Charting the Way Forward (Room C)
The world is witnessing the rise of dynamic Russian entrepreneurs who have emerged at the forefront of innovation. How to create dynamic ecosystems to unlock entrepreneurship potential?
• Sasha Andreev, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, SoftJoys, Russia
• Edgar Bullecer, Co-Founder and Chief Executive, Paglas Group, Philippines
• Yoanna Gouchtchina, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, ZeeRabbit Inc, Russia
• Clive Jackson, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Victor, United Kingdom
• Thanos Mitrelias, Chief Executive Officer, Cavendish Nanotherapeutics, United Kingdom
• Yury Pakhomov, Managing Partner, Exasory Group, Russia
• Nick Puntikov, President, FirstLine Software Group, Russia
• Ivan Sempere, Founder, Padima, Spain
• Iurii Seniuk, Chief Executive Officer, Global Strategy Centre, Ukraine
• Chayan H. Shah, President, Premier’s Tea Limited, India
• Alex Sozonoff, Chairman, Global Beach Group, United Kingdom
• Neil Vereschagin, Chief Financial Officer, Game Insight, Russia
Chaired by
• Victor Sedov, President, Center for Entrepreneurship, Russia
**Enabling Russian Inward Investment** *(Room D)*
Western companies are looking to expand their business to Russia. What are the opportunities and challenges of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Russia? If there were no political conflicts what strategies ought the Russian government adopt, and in what sectors, in order to increase FDI?
- **Bo Inge Andersson**, President, AvtoVAZ, Russia
- **Stefan Benedetti**, Portfolio Manager, Pioneer Investment Management, United Kingdom
- **Eli Braha**, Managing Partner, Berkeley Acquisitions, USA
- **Sergey Bush**, Founder, lab321.ru, Russia
- **Jörg Eisold**, Director, VAMED Engineering, Austria
- **Frank L Merenda**, Chief Executive Officer, EAC Valuations, USA
- **Yusuke Otsubo**, Managing Partner, UMJ Russia Fund, Japan
- **Khawar Qureshi**, Managing Partner, McNair Chambers, Qatar
- **Joachim Reidiess**, Chairman, Dr. Wirth Group, Germany
- **Olga Seryakova**, Chief Executive Officer, SumUp Russia, Russia

*Chaired by*
- **Suren O. Vardanyan**, Vice President, Moscow Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Russia

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**12.00-12.30 Russian Business Leaders of the Year** *(Main Room)*
We will celebrate outstanding entrepreneurs who have been building and leading successful Russian firms. The awardees will discuss their recipes for success.

*Chaired by*
- **Igor Makarov**, Partner, Baker & McKenzie, Russia

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**12.30-14.00 Networking Lunch** *(Ballroom)*

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**14.00-15.00 Plenary: WTO and Russian Business** *(Main Room)*
Since joining the World Trade Organization (WTO) all sectors of Russian commercial activity have reviewed their outlook and operations. How to spur rapid redevelopment of Russia as a global economic force?
- **Bo Inge Andersson**, President, AvtoVAZ, Russia
- **Salavat Rezbaev**, Chairman, New Age Capital Partners, Russia
- **Tarek Tawfik**, Group Managing Director, CPC, Egypt
- **Marina Treshchova**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Fastlane Ventures, Russia
- **Tan Sri Dato’ Michael Yeoh**, Chief Executive Officer, Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute, Malaysia

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- **Frank-Jürgen Richter**, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

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**15.00-16.30 Boardroom Dialogue Sessions**

**Co-developing Energy Markets** *(Room A)*
Russia and Spain agreed to share energy and other markets in 2009. What does this mean in practice under the present political climate? How could Russian energy flow to Spain and how will the Spanish...
clean-tech support Russia? What new financial agreements and physical infrastructures are needed?

- Noel Akpata, Chief Executive Officer, Stratex Pro, Nigeria
- Ekaterina Almasque, Co-founder, SVAROS Ventures, United Kingdom
- Mark Austin, Venture Partner, Bright Capital, USA
- Salavat Rezbaev, Chairman, New Age Capital Partners, Russia
- Valentin Romanov, Executive Director, SUN Group, Russia
- Dmitry Vasilkov, Co-Owner, OilTech Group, Russia

Chaired by
- John B. Kidd, Research Fellow, Aston Business School, United Kingdom

**Riding the Next Wave of Financial Services (Room B)**
Russia’s financial sector grows rapidly. And international financial institutions are stepping up their efforts in Russia. What are the plans of the City of Moscow to become a financial centre serving the world?

- Petros G. Doukas, Chairman, Capital Partners, Greece
- Dmitri A. Gromov, Managing Partner, RTS Telecom, Russia
- Platon Monokrousos, Chief Economist, Eurobank Group, Greece
- Oltmann Siemens, Member International Advisory Board, International Finance Forum, China
- Kirill Slavin, Managing Director UK, Kaspersky Lab, United Kingdom
- Zdzislaw Sokal, Member of the Board (ret), National Bank of Poland, Poland
- Alexey Sysoev, Chief Executive Officer, AV Group, Ukraine
- Alex Vassiliev, Chief Executive Officer, KartaNaDom, Russia
- Michel Verlaine, Associate Professor of Finance, ICN Business School, France
- Yury Voicehovsky-Kachaloff, Chairman, Astor Capital, Russia

Chaired by
- Antonio Ambrosetti, Senior Partner, The European House – Ambrosetti, Italy

**Spurring the Economics of Innovation (Room C)**
It is necessary to balance research risk against eventual gain. How is Russia opening up its intellectual powerhouse to the world to create new ventures? In which sectors is stimulation needed? How can ‘winners’ be better forecast?

- Igor Avdonin, Founder, Buzport, Russia
- Vladimir Belyy, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Ideologist, Alpha Smart Systems, Russia
- Andreas Foerster, Vice-President Global Support Centers and Material Services, Airbus Military Customer Services, Spain
- Guzel Garaeva, Chairman and Managing Partner, GR Capital, Russia
- Kaspars Kaluins, Director, Lattelecom, Latvia
- Kate Korolkevich, Partner, Galatea Capital, USA
- Nikolaos Mavridis, Founder and Director, Interactive Robots and Media Laboratory, UAE University, UAE
- Mikhail Treyvish, President, OmniGrade Rating Monitoring Agency, Russia
- Alexander Zhukov, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Whiteshield Group, United Kingdom

Chaired by
- Lou Marinoff, Professor of Philosophy, The City College of New York, USA

**Global Events - Unlocking the Tourist Potential (Room D)**
Specific inward tourism generates additional foreign cash - the Olympics, the World Cup, Formula 1 - but does general tourism increase? How can Russia develop a stronger tourist industry after Sochi? Will it also
develop a stronger outwards tourist sector? What are the potentials for visa relaxation?

- Olesia Aliferenko, Advisor, Federal Agency for Tourism, Russia
- Sheikh Saif bin Hashil Al-Maskery, Chairman, Al Mahfadha Investments, Oman
- Vasiliy Mogilny, Chief Executive Officer, Krolifik Plus, Ukraine
- Sheila Newton Moses, President, Invest Caribbean Now, USA
- Vasiliy Novikov, General Director, AquaProduct Fish & Caviar, Russia
- Jan Siemens, Managing Director, Netherlands Council for Trade Promotion, The Netherlands
- Steve Varsano, Chairman, The Jet Business, USA
- Alfonso Vegara, President, Fundacion Metropoli, Spain
- Maitland Waters, President, Symbio Agency, USA

Chaired by
- Hamira Riaz, President, H Riaz Consults, United Kingdom

16.30-17.00 Contact Break

17.00-18.30 Boardroom Dialogue Sessions

**Connecting Globally: Russian Firms Investing Overseas (Room D)**

Russian firms increasingly invest overseas. Which strategies work best when trying to break into foreign markets? What competitive advantages can host countries offer potential investors from Russia? What fears might outside investors carry?

- Christodoulos Angastiniotis, Chairman, Invest Cyprus, Cyprus
- Andrey Serebryakov, Founding Partner, Effective Capital Group, Russia
- Svetlana Fedotova, Managing Director, East West United Bank, Luxembourg
- Roger King, Member of the Board, Orient Overseas Holdings, Hong Kong SAR
- Alf Erik Lundgren, Chairman, Nordic Invest SIA, Latvia
- Mark Minevich, President, Going Global Ventures, USA
- Sven Oehme, Chief Executive Officer, European-American Business Organization, USA
- Valery Petrunin, President, KGBrادر, Russia
- Lidya Tsarenko, Founder, Telecom Angel, Russia

Chaired by
- Igor Makarov, Partner, Baker & McKenzie, Russia

**Purposeful Education: Pursuing Talent-based Growth (Room B)**

Education systems in Russia are being made ready for the next wave of economic development. How can Russia develop its education system to fit its young for their future?

- Aleksandra Efimova, Founder, Russian Pointe, USA
- Lena Feygin, Co-founder and Chief Executive Officer, Global Logix Solutions, USA
- Galina Fomina, Member of the Board, National Banking Club Board, Russia
- Patrick Fullick, Founder & Director, Hylle Royce, United Kingdom
- Jochum Haakma, Director, TMF Group, The Netherlands
- Jason L. Ma, Founder, CEO & Chief Mentor, ThreeEQ, USA
- Roberto Mugavero, Professor, University Of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy
- Irina Nesivkina, Chief Executive Officer, Unity Center, Russia
- Vachara Phanchet, Chairman, Sittipol Holdings, Thailand
- Sergel Safoshin, Managing Director, Vispo, Russia

Chaired by
- Ninel Seniuk, Lecturer, MGIMO University, Russia
Forging a New Sustainable Growth Coalition (Room C)
Many Russian, Spanish and other firms have embedded sustainability as key business driver. How can Russian entrepreneurs and their global counterparts join hands to forge a sustainable growth coalition?
• Avraham Berkowitz, Director, Chabad Headquarters, USA
• Sergey Demin, Chairman, Synergy Technologies, Russia
• Vadym Gurzhos, Chairman, Alufoi, Ukraine
• Maria Paphiti, Managing Partner, La Parole Devine, Cyprus
• Marcos Pinotti, Associate Professor, Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil
• Iurii Pidnebesnyi, Director, International Fund of Spiritual Diplomacy, Ukraine
• Tarek Tawfik, Group Managing Director, CPC, Egypt
• Tan Sri Dato’ Michael Yeoh, Chief Executive Officer, Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute, Malaysia

Chaired by
• Alexander I. Ageev, Director General, Association of Orthodox Business Leaders, Russia

Boosting Technology through Venture Capital (Room A)
As the Russian technology scene continues to grow, the scope of venture capital improves and expands. How to ensure that innovative firms have easy access to finance at an early stage of development?
What is the role of science parks like Skolkovo?
• Igor Agamirzyan, General Director, Russian Venture Company, Russia
• Alexey Chernikov, Partner, Sloane Square Capital Partners, Russia
• Denis Cherkasov, Executive Director, Troika Venture Capital, Russia
• Alex Geller, Member of the Board, American Chamber of Commerce in Russia, USA
• Anton Inshutin, Managing Partner, Inventure Partners, Russia
• Sergey Lozhkin, Chief Executive Officer, First BIT, Russia
• Peter Loukianoff, Chairman, Third Rome Black River Ventures, USA
• Tim Rakhmanov, Co-Founder, Flatora, USA
• Max Tolstokorov, Chief Technology Officer, LOCALWAY, Russia
• Alexander Vaisblat, Partner, Saya Ventures, Russia

Chaired by
• René Seifert, Chairman, Venturate, Germany

18.30-19.30 Closing Plenary: Russia - An Evolving Nation (Main Room)
Reflecting on the discussions here and globally, which economic development model will allow Russia long-term growth? What critical success factors need to be addressed?
• Christodoulos Angastiniotis, Chairman, Invest Cyprus, Cyprus
• Sergey Demin, Chairman, Synergy Technologies, Russia
• Peter Loukianoff, Chairman, Third Rome Black River Ventures, USA
• Alfonso Vegara, President, Fundacion Metropoli, Spain

Chaired by
• Frank-Jürgen Richter, Chairman, Horasis, Switzerland

19.30-21.30 Farewell Dinner: The Fulcrum between East and West (Ballroom)
Russia has a long history linked to Europe, North America and Asia: indeed Spanish emissaries gave news of the discovery of the US directly to Russia in 1525. How will Russia play out its future role? What role is Spain going to play?
• Alexander I. Ageev, Director General, Association of Orthodox Business Leaders, Russia
• Alfonso Grau, Vice Mayor, City of Valencia, Spain

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10.00-14.30 Discover Valencia
After the intensive meetings and sessions it’s now time to explore the history, atmosphere and liveliness of Valencia. Meeting at the lobby of the Hotel Las Arenas at 10.00