**International Online Conference. Russia-Taiwan.**

**Within the project "The Beacon of Russia's Achievements"**

On 26 November 2021, within the framework of the international project "The Beacon of Russia's Achievements", dedicated to the Year of Science and Technology in Russia, an online conference between Russia and Taiwan was held, bringing together speakers from Vladivostok, Kazan, St. Petersburg, Yekaterinburg, Moscow and Taipei.

**Moderator:**

Nickolay Nikolaevich Miklouho-Maclay, Founder and Director of the Miklouho-Maclay Foundation, Head of the Center for South Pacific Studies, research fellow at the Center for Southeast Asia, Australia and Oceania of the Institute of Oriental Studies RAS, President of the Association of the South Pacific Researchers.

The conference was opened by **Nickolay Miklouho-Maclay**, founder and Director of the Miklouho-Maclay Foundation, whose mission is to support expeditions and scientific research. However, due to the restrictions on flights between countries and conducting expeditions, the Foundation created an online expedition through the latest Russian achievements in science, presented on the website. Nickolay Nikolaevich told the conference participants how, by navigating on the website with the help of videos and articles, one can learn about outstanding achievements of Russians in various realms of science, recognized not only in Russia, but all over the world.

**Chang Jui Cheng**, PhD in Philology, Head of the Russian Center of Zhengzhi State University (Taipei, Taiwan), in his speech presented the main directions of the first and only Russian Center in Taiwan, opened in December 2013 to promote the Russian language and culture and to expand cultural, educational and scientific contacts between the citizens of Taiwan and Russia. Chang Jui Cheng noted that in order to increase motivation to study the Russian language and literature, the Center holds creative contests, lectures, as well as events dedicated to Russian holidays.

**Anna Volodkina**, Head of the Head of the sector of attracting foreign students, Far Eastern Federal University (FEFU), spoke about the opportunities for international students to study at the FEFU. One of the advantages of the Russian University located in the Asia-Pacific is courses for foreign citizens at the Center of Russian Language and Culture. It was also noted that the Association of Russian and Foreign Students also contributes to the formation of a favorable international environment at the FEFU, thanks to which the students are involved in all international events.

Representatives of the Kazan Federal University and the Institute of Design and Spatial Arts spoke about the history of the University, which is rich in the names of great scientists, outstanding public figures, educators, writers and artists, about the areas of study of the Institute of Design and Spatial Arts, as well as about the active student life of the Kazan Federal University. The speakers noted that dormitories can be provided to nonresident students. These can be in buildings in the city and in the student city - Universiade Village built for the XXVII Summer Universiade.

**Alena Gerus**, specialist at the International Admissions Office of the St. Petersburg State University, spoke about the oldest Russian University, founded in 1724, located in the cultural capital of Russia and combining traditions and innovations. Alena Igorevna also debunked the myths about studying in Russia.

**Sergey Zariansky**, Admissions Manager, Ural Federal University, spoke about the modern approaches of the UrFU in education. Sergey Alexandrovich noted that the UrFU, located in the fourth largest city of Russia, was an excellent educational center that provided opportunities for further employment, international mobility, courses in foreign languages, as well as a safe and comfortable life in an international university family of 36 thousand students.

**Sophia Pale**, PhD in History, PhD in History, research fellow at the Center for Southeast Asia, Australia and Oceania of the Institute of Oriental Studies RAS, Academic Secretary of the All-Russian Association of the SPR, spoke about the opportunities of postgraduate study for foreign citizens at the Institute. Sophia Evgenievna in her speech noted that universities, participating in the conference, were doing a tremendous job, and also expressed hope that many people would see the conference materials.

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