



The fourth Russian-Iranian Forum of Rectors

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November 24, 2018

Visit of the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Hassan Rouhani, to Moscow State University



March 29, 2017, the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Hassan Rouhani, during his official visit to the Russian Federation, has visited Moscow State University and met with students and faculty

1st Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Iran

Moscow, October 28, 2015



The establishment of the Association of Higher Educational Institutions of the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran

2nd Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Iran

Tehran, October 19-20, 2016

- ✓ **32** interuniversity agreements have been signed
- ✓ **“Lomonosov” Center** was opened on the basis of Shahid Beheshti University and the Center of Russian Language and Culture – in Firdousi Mashhad University



3rd Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Iran

Moscow, October 27, 2017



- ✓ presentation of the results of a two-year co-operation in scientific and educational spheres.
- ✓ **18 projects** supported by the results of a joint competition of the Russian Foundation for Basic Research and the Iranian National Science Foundation

11th Congress of the Russian Rectors' Union

April 26, 2018, St. Petersburg



- ✓ **600** rectors and presidents of Russian universities
- ✓ **50** rectors of foreign universities from Azerbaijan, Armenia, Abkhazia, Belarus, Jordan, Iran, Kazakhstan, China, Lebanon, Transdniestria, Slovenia, South Ossetia, Japan.
- ✓ The delegation of Tehran University headed by rector, Professor Nili Ahmadabadi Mahmoud, took part in the section “International Activities of Russian Universities”



System of Higher Education in Russia

260 thousand professors and lecturers

200 thousand candidates and doctors of science

4 million students

83 thousand postgraduates

662 universities

❖ **484** state universities

❖ **178** private universities

❖ Lomonosov Moscow State University,
St. Petersburg State University

❖ **10** federal universities

❖ **29** national research
universities

❖ **33** flagship (“backbone”)
universities



The Russian Union of Rectors



- ❖ Number of members – **662**
- ❖ Council members – **88**
- ❖ Vice Presidents – **11**
- ❖ General Committee – **12**
- ❖ Board Members – **31**

25th
Anniversary



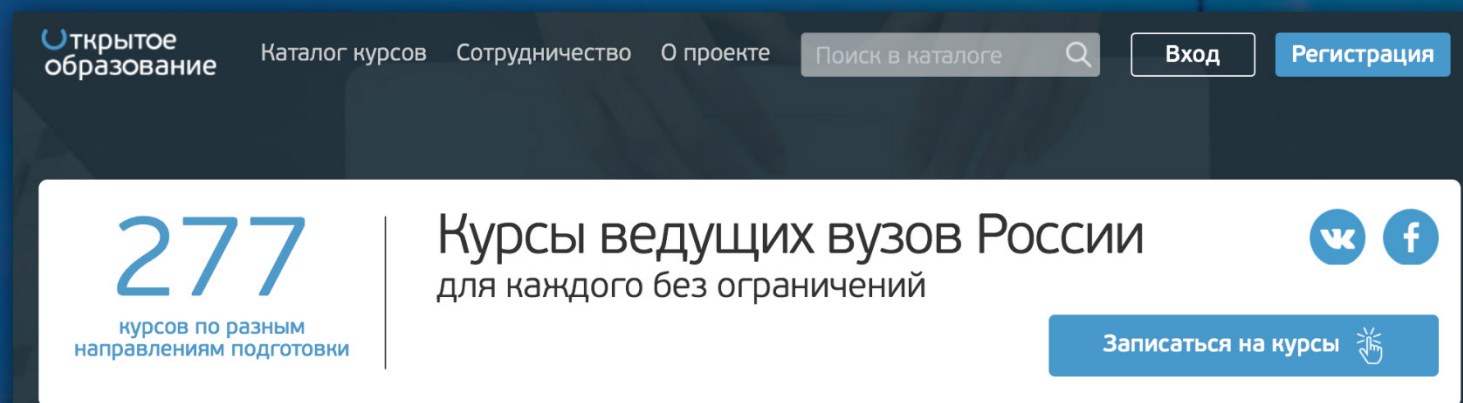
Over the 25 years, the **Russian Union of Rectors** has **initiated** the following **government decisions**:

- ✓ *International Youth Scientific Forum "Lomonosov" (1994, 15.000 participants annually)*
- ✓ *Grand jury of the All-Russian contest "Teacher of the Year of Russia" (1995)*
- ✓ *The forums of rectors of Russia and foreign countries (approx. 50 forums since 2000)*
- ✓ *Russian Students' Day (2005)*
- ✓ *All-Russia School Academic Olympics Movement (2007)*
- ✓ *Supercomputer Consortium of Russia (2008)*
- ✓ *Exceptional status of Moscow University determined by law (2009)*
- ✓ *All-Russia Science Festival (2011)*
- ✓ *Science and Technology Valley (2013)*
- ✓ *Online Education System (2014)*
- ✓ *All-Russia Student Sports Festival (2015)*
- ✓ *Assignment of MSU scientific degrees (2015)*
- ✓ *Moscow International Ranking "Three University Missions" (2016)*



“Open Education” platform

277 courses in **8** areas, **12** universities
over **2 000 000** students





“University Without Borders” platform



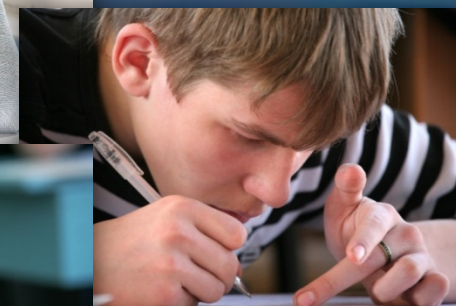
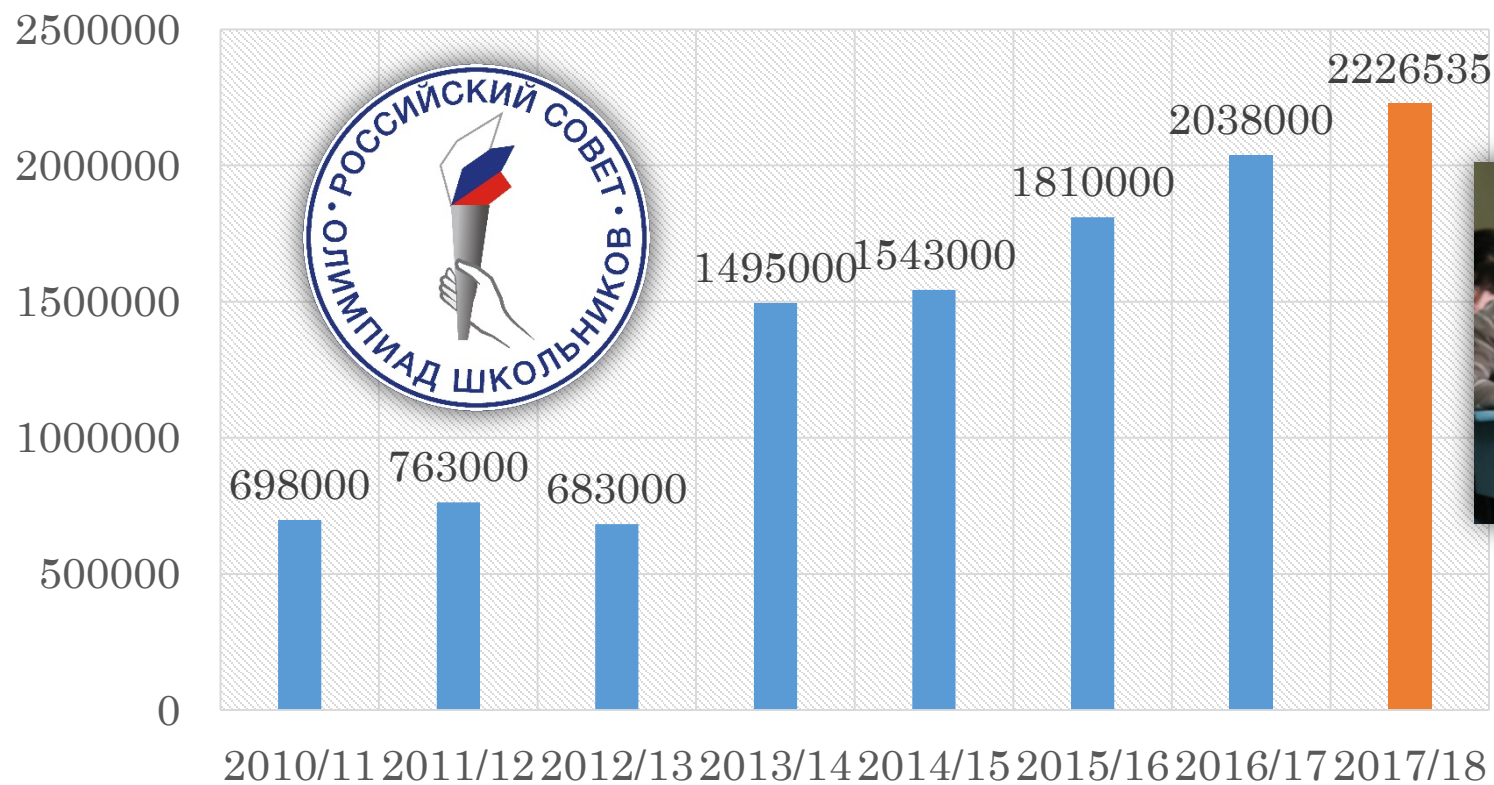
37 online courses in various areas of training (*physics, astronomy, biology, mathematics, geology, geography, ecology, chemistry, history, jurisprudence, foreign languages, etc.*), over **300 000** students from more than **120** countries





Olympic Movement

Number of participants in school academic olympics (2010-2017)



97 school academic competitions in 2017-2018 scholar year



International youth scientific forum “Lomonosov”



- ✓ International **scientific conference** for students and young scientists;
- ✓ Contests of **young scientists' research papers**;
- ✓ **School Olympiads**

Over the past **25** years “Lomonosov” forum was participated by **300 thousand** talented children and youth from more than **75** countries





International Union of Young Scientists



The idea of International Union of Young Scientists on the basis of “Lomonosov” Forum was first voiced at the XIX World Festival of Youth and Students in 2017 in Sochi

On January 25, on the Day of Russian Students, President Vladimir Putin has supported the initiative during a teleconference with students of leading universities in the country



On April 12 a round table at “Lomonosov” Forum has laid foundation to the International Union of Young Scientists

The implementation of the Presidential Decree of May 7 tasks to develop **national projects (programs)** in the following **areas**:

- ✓ a) population growth;
- ✓ b) increased life expectancy;
- ✓ c) growth of real incomes;
- ✓ d) housing and urban environment;
- ✓ e) improvement of living conditions;
- ✓ f) acceleration of technological development;
- ✓ g) the introduction of digital technology;
- ✓ h) Russia's entry into the list of the five largest economies in the world;
- ✓ i) creation of a high-performance export-oriented sector within the backbone industries of the economy;
- ✓ international cooperation and exports

Vladimir Putin Presidential Decree of May 7, 2018

“On national goals and strategic

objectives for the development of

the Russian Federation for the

period up to 2024”

digital economy;

culture;

small and medium entrepreneurship, support for individual entrepreneurial initiatives;

international cooperation and exports



УКАЗ

ПРЕЗИДЕНТА РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ

О национальных целях и стратегических задачах развития
Российской Федерации на период до 2024 года

В целях осуществления прорывного научно-технологического и социально-экономического развития Российской Федерации, увеличения численности населения страны, повышения уровня жизни граждан, создания комфортных условий для их проживания, а также условий и возможностей для самореализации и раскрытия таланта каждого человека **п о с т а н о в л я ю:**

1. Правительству Российской Федерации обеспечить достижение следующих национальных целей развития Российской Федерации на период до 2024 года:

а) обеспечение устойчивого естественного роста численности населения Российской Федерации;

б) повышение ожидаемой продолжительности жизни до 78 лет (к 2030 году - до 80 лет);

в) обеспечение устойчивого роста реальных доходов граждан, а также роста уровня пенсионного обеспечения выше уровня инфляции;

г) снижение в два раза уровня бедности в Российской Федерации;

д) улучшение жилищных условий не менее 5 млн. семей ежегодно;

е) ускорение технологического развития Российской Федерации, увеличение количества организаций, осуществляющих технологические инновации, до 50 процентов от их общего числа;



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Meeting of the Prime Minister of Russia
D.A. Medvedev with the rectors of leading
universities July 4, 2018

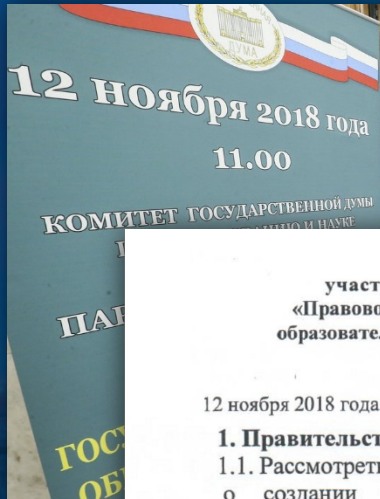


The meeting of the Council of the Russian
Union of Rectors with the participation of the
Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian
Federation Tatyana A. Golikova and the
Minister of Science and Higher Education
Russia Mikhail M. Kotyukov, July 18, 2018



On the improvement of state regulation of educational activities in the Russian Federation

The session of the Interdepartmental working group on Improvement the System of State Regulation of T&E Activity, October 10, 2018



РЕКОМЕНДАЦИИ участников парламентских слушаний по теме «Правовое обеспечение государственной регламентации образовательной деятельности: проблемы и пути решения»

12 ноября 2018 года

г. Москва

1. Правительству Российской Федерации:

1.1. Рассмотреть вопрос:

о создании Национального совета по вопросам аккредитации образовательной деятельности из представителей органов государственной власти, ведущих университетов, Российской академии наук, профессиональных ассоциаций, объединений работодателей, экспертного сообщества;

4. Российскому союзу ректоров:

4.1. Поручить ведущим российским вузам направить экспертов для участия в работе аккредитационных комиссий, формируемых Рособрнадзором.

4.2. Провести широкое обсуждение в вузовском сообществе рекомендаций настоящих парламентских слушаний.

Parliamentary hearings “Legal support of state regulation of educational activities: problems and solutions” October 12, 2018

The meeting of the Board of the Russian Union of Rectors on the topic “The main tasks and ways to improve the state regulation of educational activities” November 15, 2018



The number of higher education institutions in Russia

Year	Total	State and municipal universities	Private universities
1991	519	519	—
2000	965	607	358
2010	1115	653	462
2014	938	567	371
2018	662	484	178

During 2014-2017, the number of universities and branches in Russia decreased from **2,268** to **1,171** (by **52%**):

- the number of state universities has decreased from **567** to **484** (by **15%**);
- private – from **371** to **178** (by **53%**);
- branches – from **1330** to **509** (**62%**).

Disadvantages of the current accreditation system

- ❖ Reduction of accreditation mainly to formal procedures;
- ❖ The lack of algorithms for programs evaluation for compliance with the international level in terms of content, methods of implementation, and quality of training;
- ❖ Excessive volume of documentation that is not targeted and does not contribute to improving the quality of the educational process;
- ❖ Lack of clear criteria and excessive stringency of accreditation check procedures;
- ❖ Insufficient publicity in the procedures;
- ❖ Heterogeneity of the body of experts in terms of qualifications.

Suggestions for the improvement of the state regulation of educational activities

The National Accreditation Council

- I. To improve the procedure for state regulation procedures
 - ✓ Participation in the Council of representatives of rectors' community, coordination councils in the fields of education, the Academy of Sciences, employers' associations;
- II. To amplify the expertise of the state regulation of T&E activities
 - ✓ Granting the Council the right to approve the list, methodology, procedure and criteria for accreditation examination, approval of the results of accreditation;
- III. To strengthen the focus of state regulation of T&E activities on improving the quality of the content of educational programs
 - ✓ Creation of specialized expert boards using the potential of the Federal educational and methodical association
 - ✓ Delegation of the powers of the individual accreditation of educational programs to the level of the subjects with the participation of the Council of Rectors of federal districts and subjects.

An aerial photograph of Moscow State University at dusk. The main building, with its iconic spire, is centered in the background. A wide, tree-lined avenue leads from the foreground towards the building. The sky is a deep blue with some light clouds. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

The International Forums of Rectors in the last year



The Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Kazakhstan, Chelyabinsk, November 8, 2017





The 1st Forum of the Federation of Rectors of Russian and Arab Universities, *Beirut, February 19-20, 2018*





7th Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Japan

Sapporo, May 19-20, 2018





The 3rd Forum of Rectors of Russian and Ibero-American Universities

Moscow, October 11, 2018





4th Forum of University Rectors of Russia and Cuba

Moscow, October 12, 2018





Russian-Uzbek Educational Forum

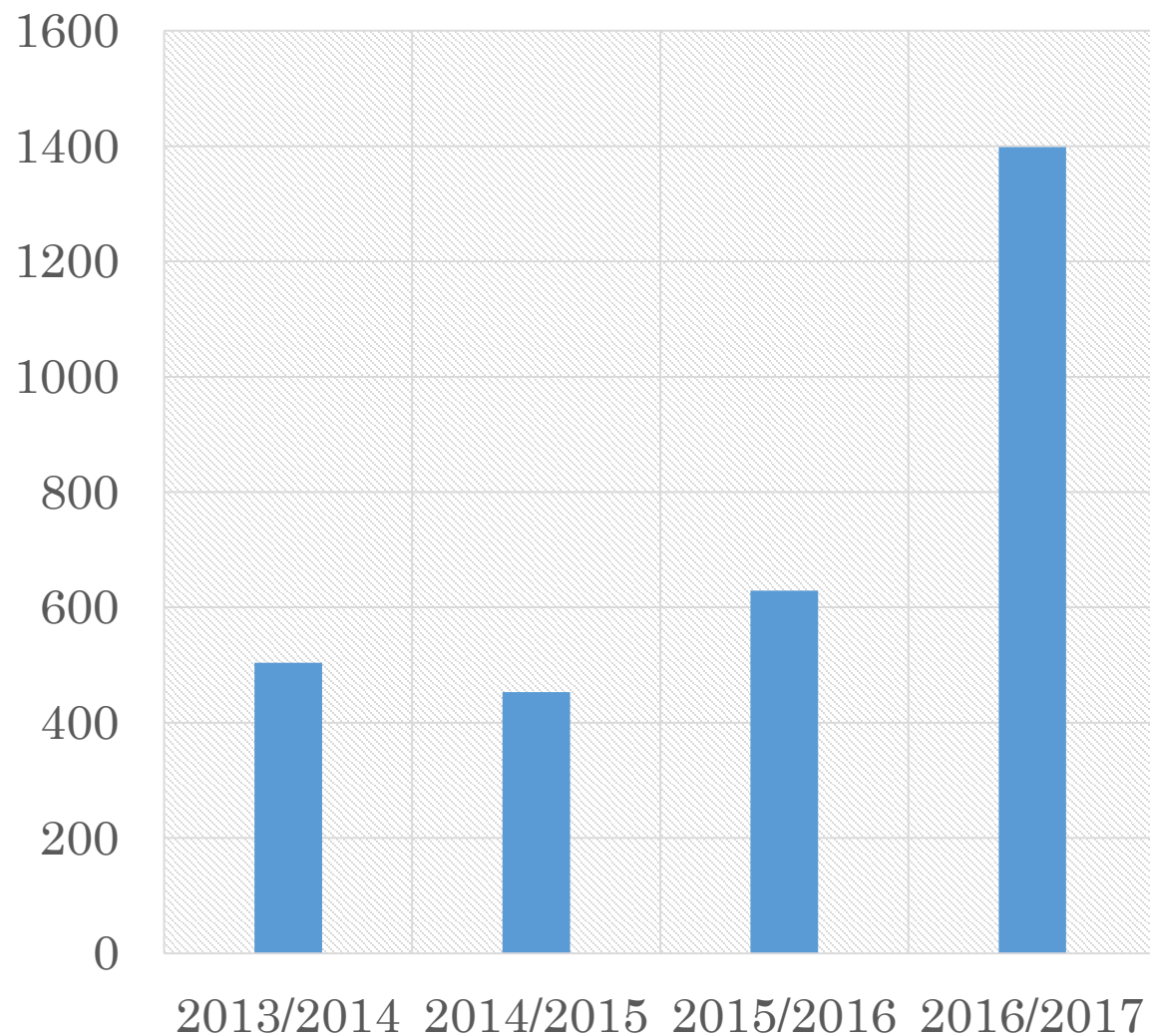
Tashkent, October 18, 2018



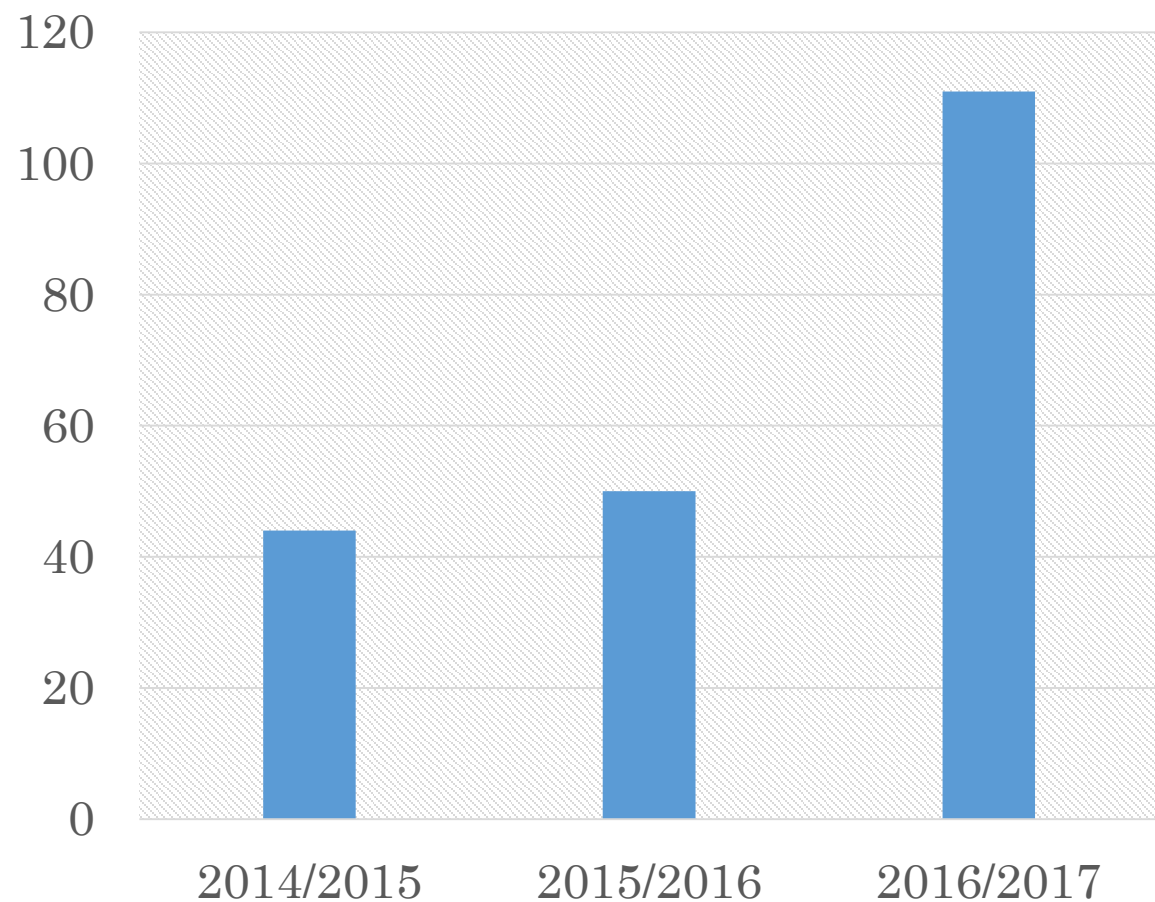
An aerial photograph of Moscow State University's main building, the Spasskaya Tower, at dusk. The building is illuminated, and its reflection is visible in a long, narrow pool of water in the foreground. The surrounding area is filled with green trees and city lights. The sky is a deep blue with some clouds.

Russian-Iranian cooperation in education and science

**The number of Iranian citizens
studying in Russian
universities**



**Number of state scholarships
(quotas) according to the plan
for admission of foreign
citizens to study in Russian
universities**



The study of the Russian language in Iran

“The [Iranian] government's education policy is to end the monopoly of the English language as a second foreign language and to introduce other foreign languages, in particular Russian”, said the Minister of Education of Iran Seyed Mohammad Bathaei during his visit to the Russian Federation and meeting with then Minister of Education and Science of the Russian Federation Olga Yu. Vasilyeva in April 2018.



In Iran, Russian is currently taught at the Department of Russian Language and Literature of the Tehran University (since 1934); Department of Russian language at Azad University; Department of Russian Language, University of Mazandaran (since 2001); at Mashhad University (since 2002); at the Department of Russian Language, University of Guilan (since 2006); Department of Russian Language, University of Al Zahra (since 2011).

The 7th online festival “The beauty of my native shore”

January 19, 2018 – The 7th online festival “The beauty of my native shore”, dedicated to the Year of Ecology in Russia.



206 students from **41** universities from Russian cities and from foreign countries – Karaganda (Kazakhstan), Mashhad (Iran), Minsk (Belarus), Seoul (South Korea), Tashkent (Uzbekistan), Shenzhen (China).



Webinars of the MSU Faculty of Philology for Iranian Russian Language students and teachers




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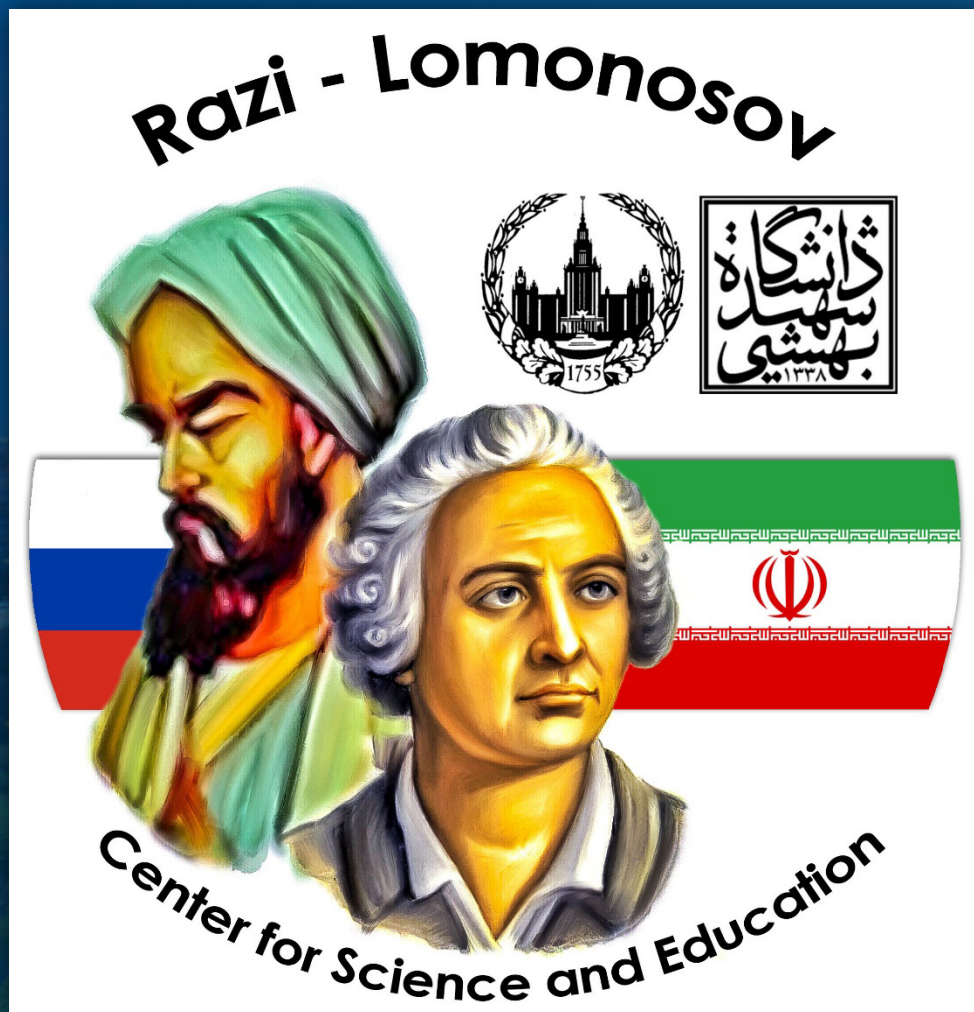


Программа вебинаров
для Центров русского языка ведущих университетов Исламской Республики Иран

Дата и время	Преподаватель	Тема лекции
15.02.2017 11:30 / 12:00	профессор Панков Федор Иванович	Учёт языковой картины мира в преподавании русского языка как иностранного
22.02.2017 11:30 / 12:00	профессор Леденев Александр Владимирович	Серебряный век в истории русской литературы: основные имена и тенденции
09.03.2017 11:30 / 12:00	доцент Матюшенко Андрей Григорьевич	Чтение художественного текста на занятиях по русскому языку как иностранному (способы семантизации лексики)
27.03.2017 13:00 / 13:30	профессор Сидорова Марина Юрьевна	Актуальные проблемы исследования текста
11.04.2017 11:30 / 12:00	профессор Ковтун Елена Николаевна	Основные тенденции развития современных славянских литератур
25.04.2017 11:30 / 12:00	профессор Дунаева Лариса Анатольевна	Новые технологии в преподавании русского языка как иностранного
11.05.2017 13:00 / 13:30	доцент Зубарева Елена Юрьевна	Художественный диалог русской прозы XIX века и живописи
22.05.17 11:30 / 12:00	профессор Солнцева Наталья Михайловна	Персия в русской поэзии: 1900-1920-е годы (Есенин, Гумилёв, Хлебников, Кузмин, Северянин, Брюсов и др.)


УНИВЕРСИТЕТ
ГРАНИЦ

(на платформе «Университет без границ»)



Areas of cooperation

- Scientific and academic cooperation
- Organization of joint research projects, conferences, symposiums, seminars
- Educational exchange programs, including online education
- Joint sport and cultural activities for talented youth

International Student Olympiads



July 27, 2018, the 29th International Biology Olympiad (IBO) was held in Tehran. The Russian team won 3 gold and 1 silver medals. It was the best performance of the Russian team at the IBO. Our country was represented by future first-year students of the biological faculty of Moscow University.

In 2017, MSU students won 13 medals, including 2 gold, 6 silver and 5 bronze at the 10th International Student Olympiad in Chemistry the 28th International Olympiad in Biology in Iran.



International Biology Universiade



- ❖ Lomonosov Moscow State University (November, 2016) “Molecular and cell biology, medical biotechnology” The team of the University of Tehran, 2d place.
- ❖ International Biology Universiade is being held now (23-25 November, 2018) in Lomonosov Moscow State University with the participation of the students from Iran.

Joint scientific projects

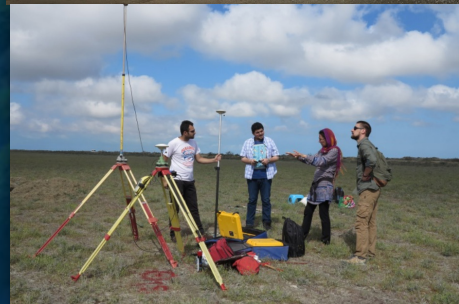
Joint scientific expeditions (Faculty of Geography, Faculty of Soil Science, Moscow State University – Department of Soil Science, Tehran University)



- ❖ Field studies of the Caspian region in Dagestan, Kochubey settlement, and Golestan province of Iran, Gumushan settlement



- ❖ Russian-Iranian expedition to study the geomorphological structure and the structure of the Late Quaternary sediments of the Gorgan river (Iran)



- ❖ Russian-Iranian expedition to study the soil cover of the marine plains of the Caspian region

Joint scientific projects in the field of biodiversity

The representatives of the Zoological Museum of the Biological Faculty of Moscow State University together with their colleagues from Iran have described a new species of skink lizard (*Eumeces persicus*) from the genus of long-legged skinks based on an analysis of a small part of the gene.

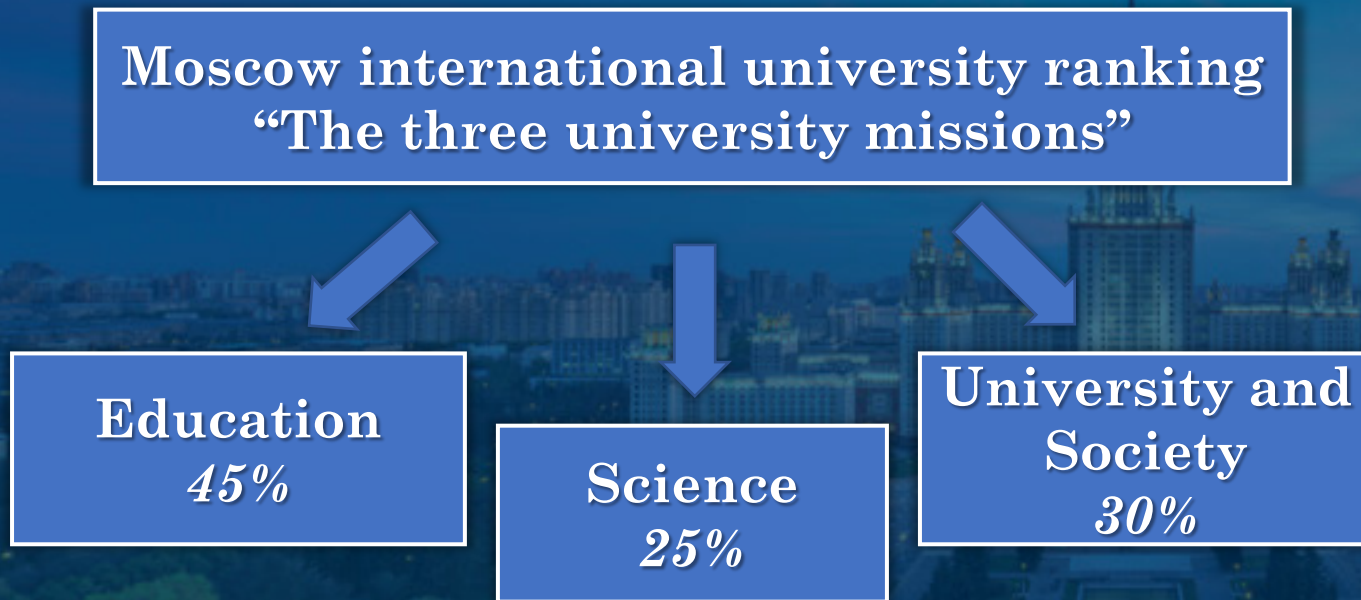


An aerial photograph of the Moscow International University building at dusk. The building is a large, ornate structure with a central spire, illuminated by city lights. It is surrounded by a wide, tree-lined avenue and a large rectangular pool in the foreground. The sky is a deep blue with some clouds.

Moscow international university ranking “The three university missions”

MosIUR – a brand new university ranking

The ranking model



"The Moscow university ranking opens up a new, second, generation of university ranking systems"

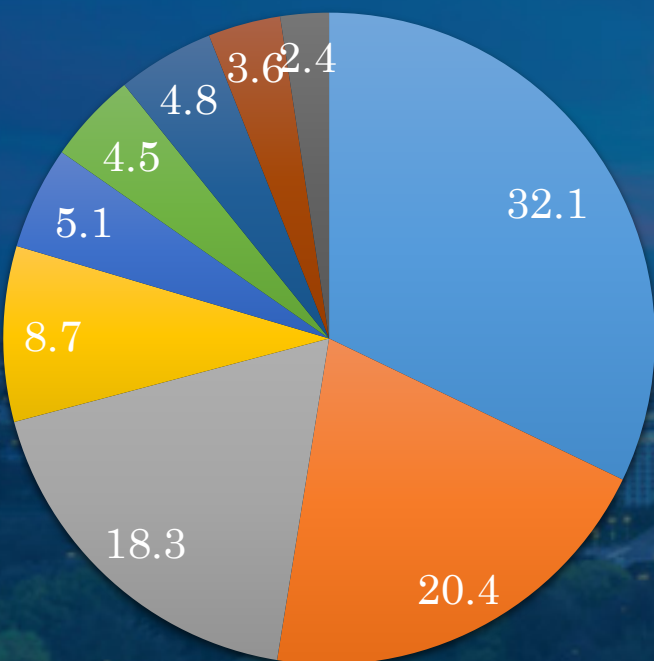
Prof. Luiz Claudio Costa –
IREG Observarory, president.

The features of ranking:

- ✓ *Integrity*: the ranking assesses the three main missions of any university: educational, scientific, and public
- ✓ *Innovation*: for the first time in international practice, the ranking assesses the relationship between the university and society
- ✓ *Objectivity*: the ranking excludes "reputation" polls, which increases its objectivity

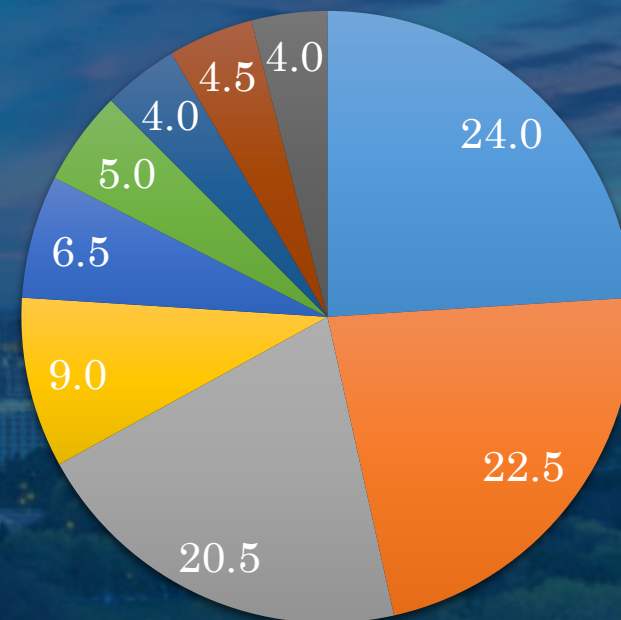
“The three university missions” 2018: dramatic improvement of the representativeness

Structure by county, 2018



- Continental Europe
- Asia
- United States
- Great Britain
- Russia
- Latin America
- Australia and Oceania
- Canada
- Others

Structure by country, 2017



Value	2017 год	2018 год
Number of universities in the ranking	200	333
Number of countries in the ranking	39	53
Participants in the shortlist	300+	500+
Russian universities in the ranking	13	17

International Recognition



The high quality of the ranking was confirmed by the results of the audit of PricewaterhouseCoopers Audit, member of the PwC global network (May 2018). Such result was achieved by only one ranking system but MosIUR – Times Higher Education (THE)

Plans for development

- ✓ Broad promotion of ranking overseas, including through the IREG Observatory and a pool of international experts
- ✓ Expansion of the list to top 1000 universities in the world
- ✓ The development of a family of subject rankings of universities - rankings for the enlarged areas of training

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Thank you for your attention!



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