



# Towards a Vision for EU-Russia Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation

- Part of the EU-Russia Year of Science Opening Events Series -

**Date:** Tuesday, 26 November 2013  
**Venue:** Moscow State University, Faculty of Economics  
Leninskiye Gory 1, building 46 (access via Prospect Vernadskovo)  
**Organiser:** ERA.Net RUS  
**Conference Language:** English

## Objectives

The Vision Conference is part of the series of opening events of the EU-Russia Year of Science 2014. Experts from science and innovation as well as policy stakeholders are invited to discuss their vision towards future EU-Russia STI cooperation. Main policy objectives and framework conditions for improving cooperation at all levels will be addressed. Support measures and recommendations for enhancing the cooperation will be proposed and discussed. The Vision Conference is organised by the ERA.Net RUS project which is closing with this conference. It also marks the entering into its second stage as an ERA.Net RUS Plus initiative.

## Agenda

26 November 2013 (Tuesday)	
08.30 – 09.30	Registration and Refreshments
	<b>Welcome Addresses</b>
09.30 – 10.00	Robert-Jan Smits Director-General, DG Research and Innovation (RTD), European Commission  Ludmila Ogorodova Deputy Minister of Education and Science of the Russian Federation

	<b>Expectations on the Future of EU-Russia Science Cooperation from the Perspective of Science Institutions</b>
<b>10.00 – 10.45</b>	<p>Alexei Khokhlov Vice-Rector, Moscow State University</p> <p>Donald Bruce Dingwell Secretary General, European Research Council</p> <p>Valery Charushin Vice-President, Russian Academy of Sciences</p>
<b>10.45 – 11.00</b>	Coffee Break
	<b>Introduction to the Conference</b>
<b>11.00 – 11.15</b>	<p>Jörn Sonnenburg Head of Division, Project Management Agency at the German Aerospace Center DLR</p>
<b>11.15 – 13.00</b>	<b>Towards a Vision for EU-Russia Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation Vision Statements from Scientists and Innovators</b>
	<p>Peter Sloot Professor in the Russian Leading Scientists Program, University of Amsterdam</p> <p>Boris Sharkov Scientific Director, FAIR</p> <p>Silke Schumacher Director for International Relations, European Molecular Biology Laboratory</p> <p>Natalia Parmenova Chief Operating Officer SAP CIS</p> <p>Aleksey Kuznetsov Deputy Director, Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO)</p> <p>Youngsuk Chi Chairman, Elsevier</p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Julia Knights Head of Science &amp; Innovation Network (SIN), Russia, UK Embassy</p>
<b>13.00 – 14.00</b>	Lunch Break

<b>14.00 – 16.00</b>	<b>From Vision to Action: The ERA.Net RUS-Vision Paper towards enhanced EU-Russia Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation</b>
<b>14.00 – 14.30</b>	<p><b>Introduction to the Vision Paper</b>          Karel Haegeman          Scientific Project Officer, Institute for Prospective Technological Studies (JRC-IPTS)</p> <p>Manfred Spiesberger          Project Manager &amp; Researcher, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI)</p> <p><b>Main Measures for Action and Recommendations</b>          Leonid Gokhberg          First Vice-Rector, National Research University – Higher School of Economics (HSE)</p>
<b>14.30 – 16.00</b>	<p><b>Panel Discussion</b>          Victor Smirnov          Deputy Director of the International Department, Ministry of Education and Research of the Russian Federation</p> <p>Michael Schlicht          Director Cooperation with Russia; CIS, German Federal Ministry of Education and Research</p> <p>Jean-Luc Clément          Advisor on Research Affairs, French Ministry of Higher Education and Research</p> <p>Michail Ugrumov          Advisor to the President of the Russian Academy of Sciences on International Scientific Cooperation</p> <p>Päivi Karhunen          Academy Research Fellow, Aalto University School of Business</p> <p>Vladimir Popov          Director A.N. Bach Institute of Biochemistry, Russian Academy of Sciences</p> <p>Chair: Jörn Sonnenburg          Head of Division, Project Management Agency at the German Aerospace Center DLR</p>
<b>16.00 – 16.30</b>	Coffee break
<b>16.30 – 17.00</b>	<p><b>Main Conclusions</b></p> <p>Alexis Michel          Counsellor for Science and Technologies, French Embassy</p> <p>Veronika Kuprianova          Executive Officer, Europlan UK</p>
<b>19.00</b>	<b>Reception</b> on invitation of the EU Delegation at the Residence of the EU Ambassador (by invitation only)