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Roundtable with Russian Executive of International Distance Learning

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Days of Russian-American Innovation Entrepreneurship Cooperation

The Mid-Atlantic – Russia Business Council (MARBC) would like to invite you to a **Roundtable** discussion with a Russian executive of distance learning as part of the **Days of Russian-American Innovation Entrepreneurship Cooperation (RAVC 2013)** which is taking place October 17-23, 2013. The roundtable will take place on October 22 at 11:00 a.m. at the University City Science Center at 3711 Market St. in Philadelphia, and will feature Professor Vladimir Tikhomirov, President of Moscow State University of Economics, Statistics and Informatics (MESI). Tikhomirov has been named as Scientist Emeritus of the Russian Federation and an Honorary Worker of Higher Professional Education of the Russian Federation. He took his doctorate from Rybinsk Aviation Technology Institute in 1971. Tikhomirov is the leading specialist in automated management systems in industry. From 1974 to 1988 he managed the development of more than 350 projects in this area. Professor Tikhomirov is the author of more than 120 scientific works. He holds the position of President of the Association of Economic Higher Schools, President of the Eurasian Association of Distance Learning, Vice-President of the International Academy of Higher School, and Vice-President of Academy of Technological Sciences.

Tikhomirov has been involved in various aspects of distance learning since 1977. From 1992 to 2007 he was the Rector of Moscow State University of Economics, Statistics and Informatics (MESI). In 2007 he became President of MESI and the President of the “e-University” International Consortium. In 2003 Tikhomirov was appointed as Chairman of the Advisory Committee on IT in Education of the Russian State Duma. His professional areas include: smart university, smart society, e-learning and knowledge management, artificial intelligence / expert systems, education development.

The **Days of Russian-American Innovation Entrepreneurship Cooperation (RAVC 2013)** is being held in Philadelphia from October 17-23, 2013. It opened with the University City Science Center 50th Anniversary Celebration on October 17. The Science Center is the biggest and oldest urban technology park in the United States. Additional RAVC events will include a roundtable at the Science Center, featuring presentations by company residents, including the first Russian company with an office at the University City Science Center in Philadelphia. MARBC is also facilitating Russian participation in the **Mid-Atlantic Venture Conference (IMPACT 2013)** on October 22-23. IMPACT is one of the oldest venture capital events in the United States that gives the participants a unique opportunity to access private investors and the largest regional venture funds.

For further details about the Roundtable and other RAVC 2013 activities, please contact Val Kogan, President of the MARBC, by phone: (484) 467-7444, email: val@ma-rbc.org, or visit the MARBC website at: <http://www.ma-rbc.org>.