

RUSSIAN SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES FOR U.S. BUSINESS

**Seminar on Federal Initiatives to Support
Private High-Tech Enterprise in the Former Soviet Union**

Wednesday, OCTOBER 16, 2002

11:30 AM – 4:00 PM

VILLA ROBERTO RISTORANTE

**70 West Passaic Street
Rochelle Park, New Jersey**



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Seminar #10 in Series

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Biotechnology; instrumentation; communications; air, space and surface transportation; materials; environmental remediation... in these fields and more, world-class Russian scientists and engineers are ready to do business with U.S. companies.

Numerous U.S. government-sponsored programs are available to support private U.S. industry in entrepreneurial, high-tech commercial ventures with scientific and technical institutes in the former Soviet Union.

Mid-Atlantic businesses with interests in developing and commercializing science and technology in the former Soviet Union are encouraged to attend this half-day seminar.

Federal representatives will describe programs to promote partnerships between U.S. and Russian businesses, including commercial relationships with scientists and engineers currently or formerly engaged in production of weapons of mass destruction.

Seminar speakers will offer specific points and concrete examples on how to reduce costs and political risks of conducting R&D and investment in Russia.

“This seminar is an excellent way to learn more about opportunities for cooperation between American and Russian companies.”

-Val Kogan

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FEATURED U.S. PROGRAMS

U.S. Department of State

ISTC Partners Program (International Science & Technology Center)
Opportunities for private industry, scientific institutions, and other governmental or non-governmental organizations to fund research at Russian institutions. The ISTC infrastructure permits tax-free, direct payments to Russian project teams and duty-free import of project equipment.

U.S. Department of Commerce

BISNIS (Business Information Service for New Independent States)
Primary market information center for U.S. companies exploring business opportunities in Russia and other Newly Independent States. BISNIS provides U.S. companies with the latest market reports and tips on developments, export and investment leads, and strategies for doing business in the NIS.

SABIT (Special American Business Internship Training)

Mid- to senior-level managers, scientists, and engineers from Russia are placed with U.S. businesses for internships focused on industry training and exposure to Western management concepts and market-based economic fundamentals—crucial skills for strengthening economic growth and attracting foreign investment to Russia.

U.S. Department of Energy

IPP (Initiatives for Proliferation Prevention)

IPP seeks to engage scientists, engineers and technicians currently or formerly involved with weapons of mass destruction in peaceful and sustainable commercial pursuits. Unique cost-sharing projects feature 3-way partnerships with U.S. national laboratories, U.S. companies and Russian institutes or spin-off companies.

U.S. Civilian Research and Development Foundation

“Next Steps to the Market”

CRDF offers two-year cost-sharing grants for pre-commercial, cooperative research and development (R&D) projects. Priority is given to former defense scientists, young scientists and women with an average award of \$125,000.

PRACTICAL TIPS FOR BUSINESS

Lessons learned by major corporations, small businesses, technology associations and research foundations will be discussed by speakers with significant experience in Russia and other nations in the former Soviet Union.

U.S. Industry Coalition — Capitalization and Financing for Technology Commercialization

USIC, a non-profit association of U.S. businesses actively engaged in nonproliferation efforts with the former Soviet Union, is the commercialization agent for the IPP program. USIC assists companies with business plans, market research and identification of financial resources.

Baker & McKenzie — Legal Environment for High-Tech in Russia

Baker & McKenzie is a global law firm with over 3000 lawyers working in 63 offices in 35 countries. It has the largest full-service network of law offices within the CIS, with locations in Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kyiv, Almaty, Tashkent and Baku, which are complemented by experienced CIS practitioners in the United States and Canada.

Ernst & Young — Implications of Russia's Entry in World Trade Organization

Ernst & Young helps companies in businesses across all industries—from emerging growth companies to global powerhouses—identify and capitalize on business opportunities. With operations in 130 countries worldwide, Ernst & Young can implement a broad array of solutions in audit, tax, corporate finance, transactions, online security, enterprise risk management, the valuation of intangibles, and other critical business-performance issues.

Each seminar features case studies from Mid-Atlantic businesses with in-depth experience in Russia.

“American companies need to know about the unique commercial opportunities available in the fast-paced, advanced technology sectors in Russia today.”

—Gary Tydings
U.S. Industry Coalition



This seminar series was originally launched in March 2001 by the U.S. Department of State with the Mid-Atlantic – Russia Business Council (formerly the Pennsylvania-Russia Business Council).

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November 12-14, 2002

75+ Russian corporate exhibitors will attend this first major Russian–American high-tech business development event in the Mid-Atlantic region.

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