



February 19, 2014

Val Kogan  
President  
Mid-Atlantic Russia Business Council  
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Dear Mr. Kogan:

On behalf of the University City Science Center, I would like to express our support of the Mid-Atlantic Russia Business Council's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Russian-American Innovation Technology Week (RANIT) on March 12-15, 2014, as well as Days of Russian-American Innovation Entrepreneurship Cooperation in late-October 2014. The 19<sup>th</sup> RANIT will mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mid-Atlantic Russia Business Council.

We are delighted to welcome the Russian delegation of entrepreneurs, scientists, venture capitalists, and established corporations within the U.S. and Russian technology industries to the Science Center on March 14, 2014 as one of the key events of the 19th RANIT.

Established in 1963 and headquartered in Philadelphia, PA, the Science Center was the first, and remains the largest, urban research park in the United States. The Science Center accelerates technology commercialization, regional economic development, and the market availability of life-enhancing scientific breakthroughs by bringing together innovations, scientists, entrepreneurs, funding, laboratory facilities, and business services.

We value our partnership with the Mid-Atlantic - Russia Business Council and its involvement with our Global Soft Landing and Quorum programs. The continued collaboration between the Mid-Atlantic - Russia Business Council and the Science Center resulted in the first Russian company to open an office at the Science Center in 2012. We hope the 2014 RANIT and future programs will enhance our collaboration and that more Russian startup companies will join the Science Center.

We look forward to working with the Mid-Atlantic Russia Business Council to support RANIT-BIO Week in Philadelphia.

Sincerely,

Stephen S. Tang, Ph.D., MBA  
President & CEO