

THE INTERNATIONAL ONLINE-FORUM FOR SCIENTIFIC YOUTH "STEP INTO THE FUTURE" YOUTH OF THE WORLD – TO CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME



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The cream of world youth science – more than a thousand of winners of scientific-technological contests from 23 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, will meet in the digital space of the "Step into the Future" program at the Jubilee Forum dedicated to the 30-th anniversary of the program. For a month, we will witness hot scientific battles for international prizes of the most authoritative Russian contest of young researchers.

The Forum has established excellent conditions for direct communications between young talents and maitres of science. More than 100 doctors and 150 candidates of sciences will take part in scientific discussions and project appraisals. The Russian Academy of Sciences delegates the best scientists to communicate with young colleagues who dare to answer the most acute challenges of our time. 49 distant-sections and the National Exhibition of the Forum will act on the basis of 14 world-renowned academic research institutes and 12 leading Russian universities.

The Forum will make public the achievements of its participants to a wide world audience. All key events of this grandiose event will be broadcasted on the website of the "Step into the Future" program and on the Forum website – the Opening and Award Ceremonies, meetings of sections, presentation and defense of works at the virtual exhibition. School classes and student groups around the world are ready to attend the live video broadcasting of the Forum and learn the latest scientific news from Moscow. Everyone who wishes will have a chance to ask questions to participants of the National Exhibition of the Forum and listen to their scientific discussions with members of the jury

Main organizers of the Jubilee Forum are the Bauman Moscow State Technical University (BMSTU), and the Russian Youth Engineering Society. Russian and foreign partners of the "Step into the Future" program played a significant role in preparation of the Forum – all those who selected and trained young researchers to participation in the Forum, organized sections and carried out scientific expertise of the projects presented at the Forum. The well-coordinated work of the Secretariat of the "Step into the Future" program was of decisive importance for holding of the Forum.

Prof. A.A. Aleksandrov, Rector of the BMSTU, in his greeting to the Forum participants, said: "For 30 years, we have been working with talented schoolchildren from all regions of Russia and foreign countries ... Participation in the Forum is a unique chance for any of you to demonstrate your developments and take the first step in science".

The Forum participants received greetings from the Federation Council and the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Ministry of Education of Russia, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the Russian Ministry of Defense, the Government of St. Petersburg, "Roskosmos" State Corporation, and rectors of leading Russian universities.

The Forum was supported by: the Presidential Grants Foundation, such public corporations as "Roscosmos", "Rosatom", "Rostec", the Fund of Infrastructural and Educational Programs" (RUSNANO Group), "Rosseti"PJSC, "RusHydro" PJSC, "Komus" Company, "Khrapunov Instrumental Plant" JSC, as well as federal and regional mass media and other organizations.

The "Step into the Future" program was born in 1991 within the walls of the basic engineering university in Russia – the Bauman Moscow State Technical University. In the vast geographic area of Russia, where more than 180 ethnic groups live, the program team implemented the "learning through science" pedagogical concept and gave effective social elevators for talented youth. Among the "old-timers" of the program, who stood at its origins, are Yu.N. Ryabov (Ussolye-Sibirskoe), E.N. Kuzmin (Chelyabinsk), T.A. Kuzyura (Barnaul), E.V. Belugina (Kirov), M.M. Cherosov (Yakutsk), T.A. Gerasimenko (Lipetsk), I.P. Ryabenko (Pskov).

Participation of the following persons in the becoming of the "Step into the Future" program is of paramount importance: I. I. Melnikov, Chairman of the Committee on Education and Science of the State Duma of the Russian Federation (now First Deputy Chairman of the State Duma of the Russian Federation), I. B. Fedorov, Academician of the Russian Academy of Sciences and Rector of the BMSTU (now President of the BMSTU), B. G. Saltykov, Minister of Science and Technical Policy of the Russian Federation (now President of the Polytechnic Museum), A.V. Sharonov, Chairman of the Committee on Youth Affairs of the Russian Federation (now President of the "Skolkovo" Moscow Management School), V. D. Shadrikov – Academician of the Russian Academy of Education and Minister of Education of the Russian Federation (now Scientific Director of the Faculty of Psychology of the "Higher School of Economics" National Research University).

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