MGIMO applicants’ average GPA on the Unified State Exam

MGIMO is a Russian education exporter

More than 200 cooperation agreements with foreign partners from 57 countries

International AMBA accreditation

“The second generation” of MGIMO educational standards

Autonomous Dissertation Councils and the right to confer academic degrees
The major events in 2019:

- 75th MGIMO Anniversary
- Launching MGIMO branch in Tashkent
- ALUMNI forum in Tashkent
- 12 RISA Convention
- 25th Anniversary of the School of Governance and Politics
- “Trianon Dialogue”
- “Sochi Dialogue”

Journals peer-reviewed by the Higher Attestation Commission, Scopus and Web of Science

MGIMO Endowment Fund’s capital

1,7 bln roubles

$27 mln

1254 faculty members, including

- 11 full members and corresponding members of the Russian Academy of Sciences,
- 5 professors of the Russian Academy of Sciences,
- 12 honoured workers of science,
- 242 Drs. habil
- 715 Ph.Ds

MGIMO graduates

50 000

Events for Alumni each year

more than 40

33 foreign MGIMO Alumni clubs
Educational Programmes and Admissions Results

Bachelor’s Degree Programmes
Master’s Degree Programmes
MBA and Continuous Professional Development Programmes
MGIMO Gorchakov Lyceum
Postgraduate and post-doctorate degrees
MGIMO Corporate Departments
2019 Admissions results
Bachelor’s Degree Programmes

- International Relations*
- Regional Studies
- Law
- Economics
- Management
- Journalism
- Public relations and advertising
- Sociology
- Public and Municipal Administration
- Political Science
- Ecology and Environmental Studies
- Trade
- Linguistics
- Business Informatics

Master’s Degree Programmes

- International Relations*
- Political Science*
- Regional Studies
- Economics*
- Finance and Credit
- Management*
- Public and Municipal Administration*
- Trade
- Law
- Journalism
- Linguistics
- Pedagogy
- Sociology
- Public relations and advertising
- Staff management
- Psychology
- Business Informatics

* including programmes in English
MGIMO offers new double Master degree programmes in cooperation with leading Russian and international universities:

- Global Agrarian Markets (with Stavropol and Krasnodar Agrarian Universities and the Timiryazev Moscow Agricultural Academy)
- Russian Policies Studies and Post-Soviet Public Policy (with Lomonosov Moscow State University)
- Strategic Management in Mining Enterprises (with National University of Science and Technology (MISIS))
- Artificial Intelligence (with Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology (MIPT))
- Politics and Economics in Eurasia (with Far Eastern Federal University)
- Sports Diplomacy (with Russian State University of Physical Education, Sport, Youth and Tourism (SCOLIPE))
- International management in oil and oil products logistics (with Gubkin University National University of Oil and Gas)
- International Political Consulting (with University of Nicosia, Cyprus)
- GR and International Lobbing (with University of Florence, Italy)
- Digital Public Governance (with Sapienza University, Italy)
- Smart City Management (with Yonsi University, South Korea)
- Multilateral Diplomacy (with UNITAR)

**MBA**

- Digital Economy (with Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology)
- International Agrarian Markets and Foreign Economic Activity in the Agro-Industrial Complex
International Oil and Gas Business
Financial Director
International Transport and Logistics (with Ural Mining Metallurgical Company)
Economics and Management in International Business
Management in Fashion Industry (with British Higher School of Art & Design)
Strategic Marketing and Management (with British Higher School of Art & Design)
Enterprise and Business Management
Executive MBA

Currently there are 250 students in the first and second years of MBA and EMBA programmes.

Continuous professional development programmes

- Professional English for Sports Managers
- Issues of the International Security
- International Business Protocol and etiquette
- Strategy of Regional Spatial Development
- Corporate management
- Political Management
- Strategic Management
- Management of International Communications in Sports
- Copywriting: art of writing
- Public-speaking Skills and Art of Speech
- PR: Latest Technologies of Communication
- GR and Lobbying in Business and NPO
- Anti-Corruption in Business
- Digital Transformation of Business
- Regulation and Legal Support in Sports
- Strategic Financial Management

2500 students attended continuous professional development programmes in 2019.
Professional Retraining

- International Relations
- Theory and Practice of Simultaneous interpretation for International Organizations
- Agricultural Attaché
- International Business Communication and Protocol
- Urban Infrastructure Management and Territorial Development

167 students attended professional retraining in 2019.

MGIMO Online Courses

Coursera:
- Legal forms of doing business in Russia
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Marketing
- Taxes and Taxation
- PPP in Infrastructural Development of Russia
- Digital Technologies in International Finance
- International Finance
- Political Geography
- International Negotiation Techniques
- Opportunities for Private Investors to get access to public markets in Mass Retail

More than 9000 students followed MGIMO courses on Coursera platform.

Stepik:
- Payment Systems in Digital Economy
- Tax and Taxation
- Digital Production
- International and National Rating Agencies

MGIMO —
great, dear and unique!

Anatoly Torkunov
MGIMO Rector
MGIMO Gorchakov Lyceum

In the 2019–2020 academic year, the Lyceum has 194 students in 8–11 grades. It is 37% more than last year. In the 2018–2019 academic year, 35 students graduated from the Lyceum, 29 of them are MGIMO students now.

Postgraduate and post-doctorate degrees

In 2018 MGIMO started to award independently academic degrees. In 2018–2019 and in January 2020 130 doctors and Drs Habil successfully defended their theses in nine different branches of science. These numbers put MGIMO on the third place (after Moscow state University and St. Petersburg State University) among organizations-participants of the Pilot Project.

MGIMO Corporate Departments

For many years MGIMO has partnered with corporations and government organizations which provide training at the following basic departments:

- Department of International Military-technical Cooperation and High Technology run by the Rostec State Corporation;
- Department of Global Energy Policy and Energy Security run jointly by Rosneft Oil Company PJSC and MGIMO-based Rosneft’s Centre for corporate training and development;
- Department of Foreign Economic Activities in Energy Transportation run by Transneft PJSC;
- Department of Economics and Banking Business run by Gazprombank;
- Department of International Transport Operations run jointly with Russian Railways JSC and Ural Mining and Metallurgical company (UMMC);
- Department of World Electric Power Industry, jointly with Rosseti PJSC;
- Department of Economic and Antimonopoly Regulation run by the Federal Antimonopoly Service of Russia;
- Department “ADV — Information Technology and Artificial Intelligence”;
Department of World Commodity Markets, jointly with Non-Commercial Partnership for Mining Industry Development Assistance and LCC “Karakan Invest”;
Department of Trade and Trade Regulations;
Department of International Complex Problems of Nature Management and Ecology;
Department of Economic Policy and Public-Private Partnership (sponsored by the Public-Private Partnership Development Centre and IKEA);
Department of Corporate Security, jointly with PJSC MMC Norilsk Nickel;
Department of Global Processes in the Field of Subsurface Resources, jointly with Rosgeo JSC;
Department of Regional Management and National Policy;
Department of Entrepreneurship and Corporate Governance (corporate department of “Business Russia”);
Department of International Agrarian Markets and Foreign Economic Activity in the Agro-Industrial Complex (corporate department of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation);
On 1st of September 2019 MGIMO School of Business and International Proficiency came to include newly established department of the Ministry of the Housing and Utility Sector of the Moscow Region “Urban Infrastructure Management and Territorial Development” to provide Moscow Region organizations and governing bodies with qualified personnel;
On 30 September 2019 The School of International Economic Relations established Department of Asset Management (in accordance with the cooperation agreement with Region Group).
2019 Admissions results

Bachelor’s Degree Programmes

The 2019 admissions results demonstrate that MGIMO is the leader in terms of quality enrollment. The GPA on the Unified State Exam for the applicants enrolled on a full scholarship was 96.2, for the applicants enrolled on a fee-paying basis — 84.

67% of the enrolled on a full scholarship students finished high school with honors, and 42% of general amount of students.

The average competition rate was 36 people per state-sponsored place, 11 people per fee-paying place.

128 students (29%) of those enrolled on a full scholarship are the winners and prize-winners of the All-Russian School Olympiad. This is the highest figure in the country. More than one third of the winners of the All-Russian historic Olympiad and one third of Law Olympiad became students of our university.

254 students who has 100 GPA on the basis of Unified State Exam or Olympiad. 232 from them enrolled on a full scholarship, that makes it more than a half of the full scholarship entrants.

Almost half (44%) of university entrants come from 79 regions of the Russian Federation.

In 2019 for the enrollment campaigned the system of preliminary electronic registration “Abiturient online” was implemented. The system meets all the highest standards.
Master’s Degree Programmes

MGIMO’s full-time Master’s degree programmes enrolled applicants on 58 programmes in 14 various academic fields. Most popular are network Master degree’s programmes in partnership with leading Russian universities in various academic fields that provides students with double Master degree’s diplomas.

In average there are six applicants per full scholarship place and four per fee-paying place.

Based on the results of the entrance exams on foreign language and specialization 1187 applicants were recommended for the enrollment: 507 students (including 70 international students) for the full scholarship and 680 for fee-paying place.

Apart from MGIMO graduates Master degree courses entered 368 students from the best Russian and international universities: Moscow State University, Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg State University, Moscow State Linguistic University, Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration (RANEPA), RUDN University, Diplomatic Academy of the Russian Foreign Ministry, Russian Foreign Trade Academy, Kutafin Moscow State Law University etc. and such international universities as Sciences Po (Paris), University of Saint Andrews (UK), Australian National University, American University, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies (Republic of Korea), University of Leeds, Libera Universita Internazionale degli Studi Sociali Guido Carli (Rome) etc.

49% of the enrolled are from Moscow, 40% — from Russian regions, 11% — foreigners.

MGIMO Campus in Odintsovo

In 2019, the forth students admission took place at MGIMO Campus in Odintsovo. It has 12 Bachelor programmes, 10 Master’s Degree programmes and 5 Schools of MGIMO. The Odintsovo branch enrolled 315 Bachelor students, and 153 for the Master degree. The level of entrants becomes higher each year: the average GPA on the Unified State Exam for those enrolled on a state-sponsored basis was 92.2 points and 78.5 on the fee paying basis.
Continuous professional development programmes

For 10 years the regional programme MGIMO-UNITAR of continuous professional development is taking place at the University and is targeted at diplomats and civil servants of CIS countries. In 2019 the main topic of the courses was “Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals: First Results and Perspectives”. The programme is designed for diplomats and civil servants from CIS countries (Russia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan) and are professionally involves in ensuring the sustainability of global development at the national, regional and international levels.

In November 2019, a joint seminar with UNIDO (United Nations Industrial Development Organization) “Tender Opportunities for Russian Universities at UNIDO and other organizations of the UN” took place as part of the implementation of the project “Development of partnership for Russia and UNIDO”.

MGIMO College

MGIMO College continues to develop as a part of the united educational space of MGIMO. In 2019 programmes of secondary vocational education attracted 148 students in four fields of study (Law and Management of Social Security, Banking, Applied Computer Science, Logistics Operating Activities) including 15 students with full scholarship. In 2019 the GPA shows high level of entrants: 4.48 in the College, and 4.98 out of 5 for full scholarship. The total number of students of the college of MGIMO is 364.

MGIMO — It is one of the best Universities in the World!

Ilham Aliyev
President of Azerbaijan
MGIMO is included in the key national and international rankings of universities and think tanks.

QS

MGIMO demonstrates constant growth in the ranking chart of the global QS Ranking while MGIMO is a highly specialized humanitarian university without special departments in its structure that are targeted at ranking activities and without targeted state financing.

In 2019 MGIMO significantly improved its positions in QS subject rankings, manifested itself in 8 subject fields and acquired 2 fixed positions — in top-100 subject ranking “Politics and international studies” (in top 100 for 2 years in row), Law (it appeared in Top-250 in 2019). Moreover, MGIMO ranked 336 in the world in Social Sciences and Management where it had never been ranked before.

In 2019 close cooperation with QS Ranking Agency began in the field of business education. School of business and international proficiency in ranked by QS Top MBA 2020.
QS Stars

MGIMO was rated «5 stars» in the QS Star becoming the first university in Russia, Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and BRICS countries that has achieved such a high result. QS experts believe that the strongest feature of MGIMO is the employability which received the highest mark.

QS Graduate Employability Ranking

In 2019 MGIMO moved up into 191–200 category (in 2018 MGIMO was in the range in the global QS GER rating and kept its position among the top 3 Russian universities (after Moscow State University and St. Petersburg State University), improving its performance for a number of indicators. MGIMO came first globally for its graduate employment rate in the first year after graduation, third for the professional achievements of its graduates, sixth in employer’s surveys and eighth for employer’s participation in the life of the University.

Alongside the criterion "Reputation among employers” which is used in the most QS ratings, QS GER also considers parameters such as professional achievements of its graduates, the depth of the university’s interaction with employers and the proportion of employed graduates.
QS University Rankings: EECA

In 2019-2020 MGIMO came 56th in the regional ranking. Compared to the previous year, the University improved its result by faculty-student ratio as well as by academic reputation and retained its position in terms of proportion of international students, also improved it’s positions in the surveys of the professional community. As to the ratio “The number of papers published per faculty member” compared to 2018 MGIMO doubled its position.

Global Go To Think Tank Index Report 2018

In the recently published 11th global ranking of centers of expert analysis “Global Go To Think Tank Index Report 2018” yearly compiled by experts from the University of Pennsylvania with the support the United Nations, MGIMO has improved its position compared to last year. And was ranked 11th in the category of the leading think tanks affiliated to universities.

Expert RA Ranking

In the leading national RAEX (Expert RA) rating MGIMO ranks 6th. For eighth years the University has been rated second in “Conditions for receiving quality education” category.

In September, Expert RA published its 5th edition of the university rankings by reputation within broad fields. MGIMO remained third in the top 10 universities in Humanities and Social Sciences and retained its position among best universities in Economics and Management.

Forbes Ranking

In 2019 MGIMO ranked first among humanities and social sciences Universities and came second on the final table. MGIMO is the uncontested leader by “Forbes Factor”. The methodology used for compiling the ranking considers statistical data such as graduate employment rates, the demand for graduates in the regions and the number of graduates having become entrepreneurs.

Twenty MGIMO alumni and Board of Trustees members are on the world’s and Russian Forbes lists.
Superjob Ranking by Graduates Salaries

In July, Superjob portal published a new ranking of Russian universities, providing among others degrees in Economics, by salaries of young professionals who graduated 1–5 years ago and are working in financial and economic sectors. MGIMO shared the first rank with HSE University.

University Ranking
Based on Students Reviews

The Social Navigator of Russia Today news agency and the Typical Applicant project published their fourth research on universities based on students’ reviews.

In 2019 156 Russian state universities took part in the research. 23,789 reviews verified by 30,000 online users were studied. MGIMO is the leader among the best Russian universities according to the study of the students’ reviews.

INTERNATIONALLY ACCREDITED PROGRAMMES

In 2019, the MGIMO School of Business and International Proficiency successfully accomplished re-accreditation process at Association of MBA’s (AMBA) and received accreditation for five years.

In October 2019, MGIMO became a member of Business Graduates Association and in December 2019 became a member of the European Foundation for Management Development (EFMD) that is the reputable professional association in the sphere of business education and management.

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Honorary Doctorates
Foreign Statesmen and Public Figures
Lectures by Trustees
Lectures by Foreign Professors
Lectures by Special Guests
International Forums
Scientific Events and International Conferences at MGIMO
Faculty Internships at Foreign Universities
Students’ Internships at Foreign Universities and Participation in Contests
International Education Exhibitions
Education Exporter

Since 1 September 2019 there are 1,496 foreigners are studying in MGIMO. In summer 325 foreign students graduated from MGIMO, while 341 were admitted, which represents an increase of 5%.

The share of foreigners studying in MGIMO is 16%. This share reaches 19% at Master programmes, and at some educational programmes originally tailored for international audience the share exceeds 90%. First time in recent years citizens of Nicaragua, Laos, Venezuela and Ghana are studying in MGIMO.

In June 2019, the third graduation of English-language Bachelor programme students took place. 29 students from 16 countries successfully completed the programme on International Affairs in English language.

In 2018–2019 academic year 164 students from foreign universities came to MGIMO and 179 MGIMO students had their internship of different duration at our partners.
Branch in Tashkent is the First Foreign MGIMO Branch

In September 2019, MGIMO branch in Tashkent (on the resource base of the University of World Economy and Diplomacy) started the training of students based on Bachelor and Master programmes as well as further professional education. In 2019 Bachelor programme in Business Informatics, as well as two Master programmes in Law and Business Informatics were launched in the Branch.

On 9 December MGIMO–Tashkent was officially inaugurated. Students, faculty members, employees, students of Lyceum programs in Tashkent, graduates of different years and other guests gathered on the premises of the new building, built in record time with the help of the leadership of Uzbekistan. A photo exhibition devoted to the history of MGIMO “From the Lazarev Institute to Nowadays” was presented on the walls of the building.

The branch was officially opened by A. Abduvakhitov, the State Advisor to the President of Uzbekistan, also Rector of the University of World Economy and Diplomacy, A. Kamilov, the Foreign Minister of Uzbekistan and A. Torkunov, the Rector of MGIMO.
Agreements with Foreign Universities and Dual Degree Programmes

MGIMO implements 205 agreements on cooperation with foreign partners from 57 countries: with universities, diplomatic academies, institutes, schools, think-tanks.

In 2019, the active work of extension of cooperation with foreign universities continued. New agreements were signed, in particular with:

- University of Urbino (Italy)
- University of Nicosia (Cyprus)
- Beijing International Studies University (BISU) (China)
- ESC Rennes School of Business (France)
- Shanghai International Studies University (China)
- OSCE Academy in Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan).

Today there are 22 joint Master programmes and 4 Bachelor programmes at MGIMO, including programmes in International Law and Comparative Legal Studies (together with the International
Centre Lomonosov, Geneva), International Relations and Government (together with the University of Reading, Great Britain), Financial Economics (together with Henley Business School) and Global Politics (together with University of West London, based in MIUC — International University Centre in Marbella, Spain).

In 2019, the first students were admitted to the following programmes: External Relations of Regions with the University of Cagliari, Italy; International Political Consulting with University of Nicosia, Cyprus; Political Consulting and International Relations with the University of Pisa, Italy; Digital Public Governance with Sapienza University, Italy; Smart City Management with Yonsei University, South Korea.

Oxford University (Great Britain), Cambridge University (Cambridge Judge Business School, Great Britain), Henley Business School (the University of Reading, Great Britain), the International University of Monaco, Shanghai Jiao Tong University (China), GISMA Business School (Germany), the Council on International Educational Exchange (the USA), the University of Dundee (Great Britain) are partners of the School of Business and International Proficiency.

As a result of inaugural conference held at the LUISS Guido Carli University (Rome, Italy) MGIMO became a co-founder of Social Sciences Universities Network (SSUN).

**MGIMO in Network Universities**

MGIMO participates in CIS Network University, BRICS Network University and SCO University.

**MGIMO — Professionalism, responsibility, fame!**

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev
President of Kazakhstan
Lectures by Foreign Professors, Statesmen and Public Figures

MGIMO Honorary Doctorates

The following statesmen were granted Honorary Doctorate degrees at official ceremonies in 2019:

- Denis Sassou Nguesso, President of Congo — on May 24
- Anrej Danko, Speaker of Slovak National Council — on November 7
- Rodrigo Roa Duterte, President of Philippines — on October 5
- Daniel Rondeau, French author, academician, diplomat — on December 4

Lectures by Foreign Professors, Statesmen and Public Figures

In 2019 the following people visited MGIMO and gave lectures:

- Emmerson Mnangagwa, President of Zimbabwe — January 15;
- Hubert Vedrine, Former French Foreign Minister (1997–2002);
- Roberto Fico, President of the Chamber of Deputies of Italy — on March 4;
Nikolina Angelokova, Bulgarian Minister of Tourism — on March 11;
Lubos Blaha, Member of the Slovak Republic, prominent political scientist, researcher at the Institute of Political Science of the Slovak Academy of Sciences and lecturer at the University of St. Cyril and Methodius — on March 19;
Christian de Fouloy, Chairman of the Association of Accreditation Public Policy Advocates to the European Union and Managing Director of BAI-Business Advisors International — on March 14;
Thomas Greminger, OSCE Secretary General — on April 23;
Hamid Karzai, former President of Afghanistan (2004–2014) — on April 25;
Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) — on April 25;
Francois Fillon, former French Prime Minister (2007–2012) — on May 23;
Maros Sefcovic, Vice-President of the European Commission (1990 graduated MGIMO) — on June 13;
Maria Fernanda Espinosa, President of the UN General Assembly — on July 30;
His Excellency Hussain bin Ibrahim Al Hammadi, Minister of Education of the United Arab Emirates — on August 27;
Syafiq Mughni, Indonesia’s Special Presidential Envoy for Interfaith Dialog and Civilization Affairs — on September 3;
Jorge Hernando Pedraza Gutierrez, Secretary General of the Andean Community of Nations — September 27;
Gyawali Pradeep, minister for Foreign Affairs of Nepal — on November 26;
Saied Reza Ameli, Secretary of the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution of Iran — on December 6;
Lectures by the Trustees

The academic year at MGIMO began on September 2, as is tradition, with an address of Foreign Minister of Russia, Chairman of the MGIMO Supervisory Board and the Board of Trustees Sergey Lavrov.

The following people gave open lectures at MGIMO as part of the Department of corporate and project management activities (Head of the Department is a member of the MGIMO Board of Trustees Boris Titov):

- Sergey Nedoroslev: “Hi-tech Industries — international trends” — on February 21;
- Konstantin Babkin: “Will the tractor factory move to Russia?” — on March 28;
- Mikhail Kusnirovich: “How business creates the international image of the country” — on April 18;
- Igor Lisinenko: “Corporative management and leadership. Modern international trends” — on May 16;
- Sergo Grigorian: “History of Entrepreneurship in Russia” — on June 27;
- Boris Titov: “Particularity of strategic management” — on November 19.

The following members of the Board of Trustees and public figures took part in the graduation ceremony for Master degree students: S. A. Storchak, Deputy Minister of Finance of Russia, V. S. Gruzdev, Chairman of the Board of the Association of Lawyers of Russia, P. S. Zenkovich, First Deputy Minister of Education of Russia, A. M. Talibov, Deputy Minister of Economic Development of Russia, D. A. Solodovnikov, Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Russia, M. V. Mamonov, Deputy Minister of Digital Development, Communications and Mass Media of the Russian Federation, B. B. Hamchiev.

The Department receives expert support from Stolypin Growth Economy Institute.
Member of the Federal Council Committee on Agrarian, Food and Environmental Policy, A.A. Muzaev, Deputy Head of the Federal Service for Supervision in Education and Science, M. V. Kuzovlev, Vneshekonombank’s First Deputy Chairman — Board Member, S. E. Cheryomin, Minister of Moscow City Government, Head of Department for Foreign Economic Activity and International Relations, O. N. Evtushenko, Executive Director of Rostec State Corporation.

On October 24, **Andrey Epifanov, member of the MGIMO Board of Trustees**, met with the winners of Endowment Student Grants Contest.

### Lectures by Special Guests

The following Russian statesmen and public figures gave lectures at MGIMO:

- **A. I. Bastrykin, Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia** — on March 19;
- **S. L. Levin, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of Russia** — on April 11;
- **S. E. Tsivilev, Governor of Kemerovo Region** — Kuzbass — on March 28;
- **R. D. Simanduev, Acting Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Bashkortostan, Acting Plenipotentiary Representative of the Republic of Bashkortostan under President of Russian Federation** — on April 9;
- **S. L. Levin, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of Russia** — on November 9;
- **V. V. Zhirinovsky, Leader of the Liberal Democratic Party of Russia** — on November 15;
- **S. V. Aksyonov, Head of Crimea** — on November 22;
- **T. N. Moskalkova, High Commissioner for Human Rights in Russia** — on December 5;
- **A. V. Tsybulsky, Governor of Nenets Autonomous Area** — on December 12.

### Lectures by Foreign Professors

MGIMO makes emphasis on inviting foreign professors from the leading world’s universities to deliver series of lectures, practice-oriented classes and master-classes. In 2019 more than 200 leading professors and experts in various fields gave lectures at MGIMO:

- Lecture by Rector of LUISS Guido Carli University in Rome, Andrea Prencipe — on January 16;
Nils Plambeck, Dean and CEO of the Paris business school HEC's campus in Qatar delivered a lecture at MGIMO, in the framework of the tenth module of the Russian-Norwegian-Italian MBA program for employees of Rosneft — on March 11;

Series of lectures delivered by Katerina Lewinbuk, Professor from South Texas College of Law Houston — March 11–14;

Series of lectures "Messiahship and Exceptionalism in Russian-American Relations" by Anton Fedyashin, Associate professor at American University (Washington D.C.) — March 11–16;

Series of lectures by Monica Soft, Professor at Tufts University (USA) — March 14–16;

Lecture "Hungary's role in the EU and on bilateral relations with Russia" by Laszlo Csicsmann, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and International Relations of Corvinus University — on March 15;

MGIMO and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy joint educational module — March 18–22;

Open talk by Wang Changlin, Vice-President of the Chinese Academy of Macroeconomic Research of the National Development and Reform Commission of the PRC — on March 25;

Series of lectures by Marc Galeotti, Professor at Royal United Services Institute for Defense and Security Studies (RUSI) — April 22–30;

Series of lectures by Martha Finnemore, Professor at George Washington University — September 16–20;

Lecture course by Camilla Pagani, professor at George Washington University — August 31 — September 21

Lecture course by Stefano Pilotto, professor at Trieste University — October 07–19

Lecture course by Richard Weitz, professor at George Washington University — October 27 — November 10

Lecture course by Tore Henrikson, Director of the Norwegian Centre for the Law of the Sea — December 8–10

Open lecture «Strategic future of East Asia and what could happen after the departure of America?» by Hugh White, Dean of the College of Asia and the Pacific and Professor from the Australian National University, delivered for Master Degree students of the School of international Relations — on September 30;
Meeting of the delegation from the University of International Business and Economic (China): Wang Xiang, Vice Rector, Huo Yuan, Vice Dean of the Faculty of the International Relations, Wu Jun, Secretary General of the Russian-Chinese Association of Economic Universities and, with first course students of the Dual Master’s Degree Programme «Russia and China: Economic and Political Trends in Eurasia» — on December 16.

and others

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Foreign Ambassadors

In 2019, the following Foreign Ambassadors visited MGIMO:

- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the Russian Federation, Ngo Duc Manh — on January 23;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the State of Israel to the Russian Federation, Harry Koren — on February 11;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to the Russian Federation, Alemayehu Tegenu — on February 13;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Russian Federation, Alikbek Jekshenkulov — on February 14;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Dominican Republic to the Russian Federation, Jose Manuel Castillo Betances — on March 4;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Italy to the Russian Federation, Pasquale Terracciano — on March 4;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the Russian Federation, Ahmed Abdulrahman Al Saati — on March 18;
- Ambassador of Panama to the Russian Federation, Miguel Lecardo Barcenas — on April 2;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Russian Federation, Riad Haddad — on April 2;
- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to the Russian Federation, Johannes Aigner — on April 16;
Ambassador of New Zealand to the Russian Federation, Ian Hill — on April 17;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Yemen to the Russian Federation, Ahmed Salem Al-Wahishi — on April 23;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Nicaragua to the Russian Federation, Alba Azusena Torres — on April 26;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Rwanda to the Russian Federation, Jeanne d’Arc Mujavamariya — on May 14;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the State of Israel to the Russian Federation, Zvi Magen — on May 27;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Italy to the Russian Federation, Pasquale Terracciano — on June 10;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Malta to the Russian Federation, Pierre Clive Agius — on June 13;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Ecuador to the Russian Federation, Julio Prado — on October 31;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Korea to the Russian Federation, Lee Sek Bae — on November 6;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Turkmenistan to the Russian Federation, Batir Niyazliev — on November 8;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to the Russian Federation, Mohammad Latif Bahand — on November 25;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belgium to the Russian Federation, Jean-Arthur Rejibo — on December 3;
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Swiss Confederation to the Russian Federation, Yves Rossier — on December 3;
and others.

MGIMO is great!
MGIMO is cool! MGIMO is fun!
Alisher Usmanov
the founder of USM Holdings
In the framework of the MGIMO Diplomatic Module the following MFA Deputy Ministers, Department Directors and their Deputies addressed the students:

- Russian MFA Crisis Management Centre Director Vladimir Tarabrin — on February 20;
- Russian MFA First Asian Department Deputy Director Aleksander Shmanevsky — on February 27;
- Russian MFA Department for Relations with Compatriots Abroad Director Oleg Malginov — on March 6;
- Russian MFA Foreign Policy Planning Department Deputy Director Alexey Drobinin — on March 13;
- Russian MFA Consular Department Deputy Director Alexander Noskov — on March 20;
- Russian MFA Department of History and Records Director Nadezhda Barinova — on March 27;
- Russian MFA Fourth European Department Deputy Director Igor Kalabukhov — on April 3;
- Russian MFA Third European Department Director Oleg Tyapkin — on April 10;
- Russian MFA Middle East and North Africa Department Deputy Director Victor Smirnov — on April 17;
- Federal Agency for the Commonwealth of Independent States, Compatriots Living Abroad and International Humanitarian Cooperation (Rossotrudnichestvo) Head Eleonora Mitrofanova — on September 25;
- Russian MFA Third CIS Department Director Alexander Sternik — on November 28.
- Russian MFA Ambassador at Large and the Russian Foreign Minister’s Special Representative for Cooperation with Muslim State Organizations Konstantin Shuvalov — on October 9;
- Russian MFA Department of North America Director Georgiy Borisenko — on October 16;
- Russian MFA Middle East and North Africa Department Deputy Director Alexander Rudakov — on October 23;
- Russian MFA Ambassador at large Kirill Barsky — on October 30;
- Russian MFA Ambassador at large Vladimir Churov — on November 6;
- Russian MFA Department of International Organizations Director Pyotr Ilyichev — on November 11;
- Russian MFA Second European Department Director Sergey Belyaev — on November 20;
- Russian MFA First Asian Department Director Georgiy Zinoviev — on November 27.
The Russian-French Forum of civil societies Trianon Dialog, which was launched in 2017 at the initiative of the President of Russian Federation Vladimir Putin and the President of French Republic Emmanuel Macron, continues its work.

The MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov co-chairs the Trianon Dialog from the Russian side, his French counterpart is Ambassador Pierre Morel (French Ambassador to Russia in 1992–1996, former EU Special Representative for Central Asia and EU Special Representative for the crisis in Georgia).

The Trianon Dialog 2019 central topic is “Education and Enlightenment” which includes among others the matters of the high education and enlightenment, teaching and the promotion of the French language in Russia and the Russian language in France.

In 2019 two initiatives were launched within the Trianon Dialog aimed at economic and investment cooperation between Russia and France: the meeting of young economic leaders of Russia and France (Choiseul 100), and meetings of Russian and French startups with the representatives of the big business of Russia and France.

The following topics were discussed within the framework of the Trianon Dialog events: urbanism (2018 central topic), culture, and cooperation with other Dialogs — Russian-Austrian Sochi Dialog and Russian-German St. Petersburg Dialog.
The main events within Trianon Dialog in 2019:

- **Trianon Week in Paris** — November 11–16

  It is a number of events organized by the Russian-French Forum of civil societies Trianon Dialog and MGIMO. The Trianon Dialog was actively engaged in the Paris Peace Forum for the second year in a row. The Trianon Dialog organized two round tables and special stand.

  One of those round tables was devoted to the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the issue of the modern dividing lines in Europe. The session was attended by the President of the World Russian Press Foundation V. Ignatenko, the professor at ESCP Europe business school and Advisor to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl J. Bitterlich, the former Foreign Minister of Poland, Co-chairman of the Russian-Polish Group on Complex Issues A. Rothfeld, the Professor at Columbia University R. Legvold, Editor of the newspaper “Petersburg dialogue” V. Loshak, the Director of Strategy at Kommersant, the Advisor to Francois Mitterrand and former Minister of Foreign Affairs of France H. Vedrine, the Press Secretary of the President of the USSR Mikhail Gorbachev A. Grachev, the Director of the German Council on Foreign Relations D. Schwarzer, the Japanese Ambassador to Singapore Y. Suzuki.

The Second Round Table “Art of Dialogue. Dialogue of Arts” with the participation of the French Minister of Culture F. Riester, the Director of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts M. Loshak, the Minister of Culture and Knowledge Development of the UAE Noura Al Kaabi, the famous collector T. Kaplan, the Director General of the International Biennial of Contemporary Art in South America Bienalsur A. Jozami became a reflection of the practical task to launch a permanent cultural component within the Paris Peace Forum.
Education and enlightenment

The Russian Association of the Leading Universities and the Union of Rectors of Moscow and Moscow Region were actively involved in the organization of the Year of education and science within the Trianon Dialog. On the French side the Association of French Russianists, as well as universities members of the Russian-French Network University were actively involved. Managers of the Trianon Dialog and representatives of relevant Secretariats addressed general assemblies and thematic meetings of the above-mentioned associations.

- **Conference “Russia — France: New Education Technologies”** at the Gaidar Forum with the participation of the Russian and French Ministers of Education and Science — January 2019;
- **Conference in Paris on the preservation of Russian and French cultural heritage** with the support of National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilizations (INALCO) — March 2019;
- Trianon Sessions within the **Moscow International Education Fair** — 10–13 April 2019;
- “Rendezvous with History” in Blois, France — 9–13 October 2019;
- Conference on Higher Education in the field of Railway Transport in Paris — 10–12 December;

The Conference is organized by the Russian University of Transport with the support of Trianon Dialog and Russian Railways

- **Salon of Siberian Education in Paris** — 12–15 November 2019;
  14 Universities of Siberia and 20 of their French partners participated in the Salon. Besides the exposition of the Siberian education one of the separate elements was the conference on the cooperation between Russian and French Universities on the base of the national agency Campus France — the central vehicle of the promotion of the French education and the exports of the educational services.
 › Launching of a large-scale competition on the creative writing "Dear Tomorrow!" — 12 November 2019.

The conference timed to coincide with the opening ceremony of the project was attended by the President of the French Institute P. Buhler and the First Russian Deputy Minister of Education P. Zenkovich.

The competition is managed by the French network of creative workshops Laboratoire des Histoires and supported by the Ministry of National Education and Youth, the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, the Ministry of Culture and National Book Center. The Russian Secretariat of the Trianon Dialogue, the Rusnano School League and the Federal Press and Communications Agency support the contest at the Russian end.

 › Meeting of the Coordinating Council of the Trianon in Paris — 13 November 2019;

The guests of honor at the event were the Minister of Science and Higher Education of Russia M. Kotyukov and the President of the French Institute P. Buhler. During the meeting, the sides reviewed the preliminary results of the Trianon dialogue in 2019, which was devoted to "Education and Enlightenment". Furthermore, the action plan for 2020 was approved.

The National Conservatory for Arts and Crafts, having a function of “academy for education” in France, became one of the most significant institutional partners in the number of projects on teacher education, modern technologies for school and university environment.
Promotion of Russian Language and Culture in France

- The Russian Ministry of Culture, the Federal Agency for Media and Mass Communications, together with a Russia Today section and with the financial support of the Trianon Dialogue are implementing the project on interactive online platform in French language “Window to Russia”;
- Competition on Russian language and literature among pupils of French schools — February 2019.
  Over 5,000 French pupils between 10 and 17 years participated in the competition, and the winners became the first foreign schoolchildren to participate in the Sirius Center’s educational program on creative writing.
- Seminar “Language Policy in France and in Russia: Problems and Prospects” hosted by Moscow State University’s Faculty of Journalism — 11–12 December;
  The Russian Minister of Education O. Vasilyeva, Aide to the Russian President V. Tolstoy, Delegate General for the French Language and the Languages of France P. de Sinety, the Chairman of the Scientific Committee of the Francophone Dictionary B. Cerquiglini, and prominent Russian and French scientists working on the matters of protection and development of national languages.

Under the auspices of the Trianon Dialogue, sponsored by the Federal Agency for Press and Mass Media, the Ministry of Education, Moscow State University, the French Embassy and the French Institute

The Trianon Dialogue initiated talks on the cooperation between Russian publishing houses and the biggest French publishing house “Documentation française”.

The image shows a room filled with people, possibly attendees of a conference or seminar related to the promotion of Russian language and culture in France.
The Trianon Dialogue conducts regularly sociological research, by now a number of Russian Public Opinion Research Center studies have been completed, on the topic of Russian-French cooperation in education among others.

The cooperation with the French Institute of International Relations (IFRI) continues. Scientific workshop was held in Moscow in April to mark the 40th Anniversary of IFRI, as well as a presentation of the Russian-language edition of the book «Russia Journal. 1977–2011» by Thierry de Montbrial, the Founder and President of IFRI, took place. During the Trianon expert meeting at World Policy Conference (organized by IFRI) an agreement to publish yearly IFRI report on international relations in Russian language was reached.

Urbanism

- **MIPIM**, one of the largest real estate and networking European events hosted in Cannes, France — March 2019;
  The Trianon Dialogue organized Russian-French seminars on the organization of university campuses and the role of universities in the special development.
- sessions at the Moscow Urban Forum — July 2019;
  At the conclusions of the events the decision was made to hold a special Russian-French competition of young architects to design campuses and university library.
Meeting of young economic leaders of Russia and France (Choiseul 100) in Moscow — April 17–19, 2019.

The project unites young (under 40 years) Russian and French entrepreneurs, economists-managers from large private business, state corporations, state and municipal authorities.

The initiative of the Institute Choiseul and the Trianon dialogue was supported by Sberbank, Total, Societe Generale. Young leaders were welcomed in Moscow by the head of the Central Bank E. S. Nabiullina, President of the RSPP A. N. Shokhin, Special representative of the President of France Jean-Pierre Chevènement, president of Total Patrick Pouyanné.

“Trianon Startups” — the first edition of the meetings of Russian startups with the representatives of French corporate groups in Château de Versailles — April 15.

Euryale Chatelard, Founder and General Director of the Opal Agency and member of the Coordination Committee of the Trianon Dialogue also CEO of Ecritel initiated the event.

The return visit of young economic leaders of Russia to Paris (Choiseul 100) in Paris — November 13–15.

The participants of the project visited both chambers of the French Parliament — the National Assembly and the Senate, met with the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of France J.-B. Lemoyne, Senator and the President of the France-Russian friendship group in the Senat M. Gérard Longuet, member of parliament and President of the Franco-Russian friendship group Caroline Janvier, the Vice-President of the French National Assembly Annie Genevard. The Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation MGIMO Alumni Azer Talybov spoke on the topic of mutual trade and investments and Deputy Minister of Energy of Russia Pavel Sorokin gave a speech on cooperation in the energy sector.
The second edition of “Trianon Startups” will take place at The Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts (Moscow) on February 3, 2020. The event will gather Russian Corporate Groups and French startups in the sectors of information technologies, climate change research, environmental protection, art industry.

Communication among Dialogues

- **Session «Trialogue of Dialogues: St. Petersburg, Sochi, Trianon», SPIEF 2019 — June 6;**
  The work of the forums was described by their co-chairs — Chairman of PAO Gazprom Board of Directors V. Zubkov, Executive Director of Petersburg Dialogue forum M. Hoffman, MGIMO Rector A. Torkunov, Ambassador P. Morel, Aide to the Russian President A. Fursenko, Honorary President of the Austrian Economic Chamber, President of Eurochambres, the Association of European Chambers of Commerce and Industry, K. Leitl. Deloitte CIS Partner Yekaterina Trofimova was the Moderator of the meeting.
- At the invitation of Viktor Zubkov members of the French secretariat took part in the St. Petersburg Dialogue meeting (Russian-German dialogue) in Bonn. The networking of the Dialogues continued during St. Petersburg Dialogue in Krasnodar. Co-chairs of the Trianon Dialogue participated in the meetings of national coordination boards and heads of the working groups.
- Conference of the Trianon Dialogue “Academic diplomacy” on the platform of RISA Convention.
  One of the sessions with the participation of representatives of Russian dialogues with Germany, Austria, Korea and Japan was devoted to the role of dialogues in development of educational collaboration among countries.

Culture

- The opening session of the Trianon Dialogue meetings featured the choir MusicAeterna Byzantina (Theodor Currentzis is the artistic director of the Choir). The ancient Church of Saint-Louis-en-L’Isle, recognized as a monument of France’s national heritage, hosted the event.
  The 2020 central topic is *Climate and the Environment*. 
On 12 March 2019 the joint statement of the Ministers on the creation of the Russian-Austrian Public Forum "Sochi dialogue" was signed during working meeting of the Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov with his Austrian counterpart Karin Kneissl in Moscow. Both sides agreed to contribute to its effective performance aimed at implementation of the most needed projects that offer solutions to the problems of most society’s concern.

The constituent meeting of the Sochi Dialogue took place on 15 May 2019 in Sochi. The President of Russia Vladimir Putin and his Austrian counterpart Alexander Van der Bellen took part in it.

In 2019 the following events of the Sochi Dialogue took place:

- Session “Economy of Culture” at SPIEF 2019 — June 6;
- Session “Triologue of Dialogues: St. Petersburg, Sochi, Trianon” at SPIEF 2019 — June 6;
- European Youth Forum “EYFON” in Castle Forchtenstein (Neumarkt, Austria) — September 8–13.

Guests from Switzerland, Romania, Austria, Croatia, Moldova and Russia came to the castle. With the active support of the Sochi dialogue, four students from the universities of Moscow and St. Petersburg were given the opportunity to present their country and take part in a series of lectures, seminars and discussions on the current European policy, its most important issues and problems.

- Russian-Austrian Youth Forum in Moscow and St. Petersburg — September 16–21;

Russian-Austrian Youth Forum was founded by MGIMO together with the Sochi Dialogue Forum Secretariat as part of the strategic cooperation with the Federal Agency for Youth Affairs. Forum was the first one and became the key event of the programme of Russian-Austrian Youth Exchanges.
Delegation of students from MGIMO, Moscow State Stroganov Academy of Design and Applied Arts (Stroganov Academy), Moscow State Tchaikovsky Conservatory, MARKHI, Kutafin Moscow State Law University (MSAL) attended the Vienna Contemporary 2019 Art Fair — September 25–27;

*The visit was organized at the invitation of D.Y. Aksenov.*

"Meeting of Dialogues" in Krasnodar region — September 28–30.

The Co-Chairmen of the Sochi and Trianon dialogues were invited to a meeting of the leaders of the working groups of the Russian-German Petersburg Dialogue. The meeting was attended by the co-chairman of the Russian-Austrian Sochi Dialogue, the Aide to the President of Russia A. Fursenko, and Deputy Director of the Secretariat of the Sochi dialogue M.D. Matveyev. The Austrian side was represented by E. Huber from the Austrian Economics Chamber who was replacing the Austrian co-chairman C. Leitl.

15th Conference of European Regions and Cities in Salzburg — October 6–8. For the first time during the Conference of the Institute of the Regions of Europe (IRE) and under the auspices of the Sochi Dialogue, a bilateral meeting was held that was entirely devoted to interregional cooperation and regional development.

Sochi Dialogue at VII St. Petersburg International Cultural Forum — November 15. During the forum Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev met with representatives of the arts and culture. The meeting was also attended by the Co-chairs of the Sochi Dialogue, the Aide to the President of Russia A. Fursenko, the President of the Association of European Chambers of Commerce and Industry C. Leitl, and the President of the Salzburg music festival H. Rabl-Stadler. On the platform of the cultural forum Christoph Leitl gave a lecture "Russia and the EU-opponents or partners".


Co-chair of the Sochi Dialogue, the Aide to the President of Russia A. Fursenko and Director of the Pushkin Museum M. Loshak addressed the quests of the event.
5th MGIMO World Alumni Forum in Tashkent

May 17–19

5th MGIMO World Alumni Forum in Tashkent gathered more than 450 alumni from 32 countries. The program of the forum included business and experts meetings and cultural programme.

During the first day the participants visited National Art Gallery, where the press conference with participation of MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan Ilhom Nematov, and Advisor to the President of Uzbekistan and the Rector of UWED Abdujabar Abduvakhitov took place.

On 18th May the University of World Economy and Diplomacy (UWED) hosted a Russian-Uzbek expert meeting on regional security, multilateral cooperation, and the development of Central Asia.

On May 19th, the 5th annual MGIMO World Alumni Forum was inaugurated at the Palace of Symposia of the Alisher Navoi National Library of Uzbekistan. Prime Minister Abdulla Aripov greeted guests on behalf of the President of Uzbekistan, Shavkat Mirziyoyev. MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov read a welcome
message from the President of Russia, Vladimir Putin, to the participants of the Forum.

During the opening ceremony, the audience was also addressed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan, Abdulaziz Kamilov; the Deputy Speaker of the Russian Federation Council, Iliyas Umakhanov; the Russian Minister of Culture, Vladimir Medinsky; and co-owner of the Eurasian Resources Group and International Mineral Resources, as well as a member of MGIMO’s Board of Trustees, Patokh Chodiev. The Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia, Alexander Pankin, read out greetings from the Minister Sergey Lavrov. The opening ceremony was moderated by the Deputy Director General of TASS, the information partner of the Forum, and member of MGIMO’s Supervisory Board, Mikhail Gusman.

The forum was divided into three sessions during which political, security, economic, and cultural topics were discussed.

For the guests of the Forum special cultural programme was organized that included Samarkand and Tashkent city tour and reception hosted by MGIMO Uzbek Alumni Club.

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2nd Stolypin Forum
«Strategies for Russia»
May 22–23

MGIMO co-organized and hosted the Second Stolypin Forum. More than 3,600 participants, 200 speakers — experts, politicians and major entrepreneurs from around the world gathered for the two-day Forum. For the first time the Forum was held in the open-air format.

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Baltic forum “30 years of Post-Soviet Europe”
May 31 — June 1

The Baltic Forum took place in Jurmala. MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov and the Vice-Rector for General Affairs Artem Malgin participated in the discussions. The forum was kicked off by the President of the Institute of Contemporary Development, member of the European Dialogue Expert Group, Igor Jurgens, the President of the Baltic Forum, Yanis Urbanovich and the Head of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation in Russia, Peer Teschendorf.

The Forum addresses the representatives of the civil society and youth, nongovernmental organizations, parties, trade unions, mass media, scientists and young scientists — all those who will build the future of Europe and the World.

St. Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF)
June 6–8

Every year a delegation from MGIMO headed by Rector Anatoly Torkunov takes an active part in the SPIEF. MGIMO contributed to the Forum by setting up several round tables. MGIMO together with Corteva™ Agriscience held a booth spreading awareness regarding different projects in the sphere of public and academic diplomacy such as the Russian-French Trianon Dialogue, the Russian-Austrian Sochi Dialogue and the Russian-Czech Discussion Forum. Various academic programs and research centers were also presented including the ASEAN Center, the Masters’ programs on “Global Agrarian Markets”, “Strategic Management of International Companies in the field of Mineral Resources”, “Artificial Intelligence”, “Sport Diplomacy”, and other programs of MGIMO School of Business and International Proficiency.

2nd Meeting of the Russian-Czech Discussion Forum
June 19

The 2nd Russian-Czech Discussion Forum took place at MGIMO, following the decision of the Russian President Vladimir Putin and the President of the Czech Republic, Milos Zeman. The Forum aims at creating a platform for open informal discussions between representatives of civil society on a wide range of issues related to international politics, common approaches to history as well as bilateral relations.
1st Corporate Construction Forum “RN-StroyForum”

September 25–27

The PJSC Rosneft Center for Corporate Training and Development at MGIMO's Odintsovo campus organized the First Corporate Construction Forum «RN-StroyForum». Around 300 employees of the company participated in the event. During the forum a number of topics were addressed including the use of digital technologies for development of capital construction projects, international best practices and recent trends in capital construction, etc.

Russian-Vietnamese Youth Forum

September 26

The Russian-Vietnamese Youth Forum was held at MGIMO within the framework of the Vietnam Year in Russia and Russia Year in Vietnam. More than 100 young activists of the two countries attended the event.

Valdai International Discussion Club

September 30 — October 3

MGIMO delegation participated in the XVI annual meeting of the Valdai International Discussion Club in Sochi. The topic was “The Dawn of the East and the World Political Order”. Experts from MGIMO moderated the sessions, participated in the debates. The University is one of the co-founders of the Valdai Discussion Club.

ASEAN — Russia Forum on Education

October 21–22

The ASEAN — Russia Forum on Education was held at MGIMO within the framework of the XII Russian International Studies Association (RISA) Convention with more than 60 ASEAN officials from the ministries and educational institutions taking part in the event.

3rd Global Forum of Young Diplomats

November 13–15

Moscow hosted the third Global Forum of Young Diplomats. The event was held with the support of the Council of Young Diplomats of the Russian Foreign Ministry and brought together over 160 participants from 85 countries. This year, the central topic was "Changing the Global World Order".
Scientific Events and International Conferences at MGIMO

12 RISA Convention on “The World of Regions VS Regions of the World”

October 21–23

On October 21st the Russian International Studies Association (RISA) Convention started at MGIMO. The event is a unique platform that gathered that year more than 1,500 Russian and foreign experts and scholars during over 70 sessions devoted to various issues of international relations. The programme of the Convention included: Russia — ASEAN Forum on Education, the conference of the Association of Leading Universities and the Russian-French civil society forum The Trianon Dialogue “Academic diplomacy. The place and the role of the leading Russian universities”, plenary session “The World of Regions VS Regions of the World”, plenary session “Diplomacy: Experience and Legacy” dedicated to great diplomats of our country such as Anatoly Dobrynin, Oleg Troyanovsky, Evgeni Primakov and Yuri Vorontsov, special session MIKTA
and many others. Sergey Lavrov, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, participated at the event. The cultural activities of the Convention became a remarkable event for all the participant, MGIMO faculty and students. A special show was prepared by MGIMO students, Grigory Leps gave a concert in the Conference Fall, Nikas Safronov, Honored Artist of the Russian Federation, opened an Art Exhibition “The World seen by MGIMO students and alumni”.

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In 2019, MGIMO University hosted the following international conferences:

- International conference “Second World War: myths and reality” — February 19;
- 3rd joint conference of MGIMO University and the Fletcher School with support by Alexander Gorchakov Public Diplomacy Fund and Carnegie Corporation — March 18;
- 4th joint conference of MGIMO University and the Fletcher School in Boston — April 1–2;
- 3rd Liventsev readings “Transformation of the modern international economic relations system in the post-bipolar environment” — April 5;
- Russian-Scandinavian Youth Forum “Northern Dialogue” — April 8–12;
- Moscow Youth Conference on International Security, MYCIS 2019 — April 9–10;
▶ 1st Research-to-Practice Conference “Chinese language: contemporary questions in linguistics, theory of translation, linguodidactics” — April 18;
▶ 1st joint conference of MGIMO, Henley Business School at the University of Reading (Great Britain) and the University of International Business and Economics (Beijing, China) “Formats of Cooperation in Greater Eurasia: a view from Russia, Great Britain and China” — May 30;
▶ 1st International EU-EAEU Forum — May 31 — June 1;
▶ 5th International Forum of experts, diplomats and decision-makers “Primakov Readings” — June 10;
▶ International conference “140 years of Establishing Diplomatic Relations between Russia and Bulgaria” — June 14;
▶ International conference “Evaluating the Potential for Cooperation: the EU and the Eurasian Economic Union” — September 16–17;
▶ Conference “Eurasian Integration Processes in Education: Problems and Prospects of Research in Russian Language” — September 25;
▶ 4th Conference of the University Consortium “Rethinking Dividing Lines” — September 27–28;
▶ 4th All-Russian Conference “Perspectives for Russian Universities' Alumni on international labor market” — November 6–7;
▶ 3rd Global Forum of Young Diplomats — November 13–15;
▶ 2nd Symposium of the United Nations Anti-Corruption Academic Initiative (ACAD) on anti-corruption and education — November 21;
▶ International Forum “Migration bridges in Eurasia: New approaches to the formation of migration policy on behalf of the sustainable development” — December 5–6;
▶ Conference of the Association of Foreign Policy Studies named after Andrey Gromyko (that marked 110th anniversary of statesman Andrey Gromyko) — December 11;
▶ 9th Conference of MGIMO and the Japan Institute of International Affairs — December 12.
Foreign internships and business trips of the academic and non-academic staff, participation in conferences and forums

In 2019, the University’s governing bodies and academic staff took part in major scientific events such as conferences, seminars and round-table discussions, including at leading foreign universities:

- 60th anniversary convention of the International Studies Association in Toronto — March 27–30;
- Belgrade Forum — March 25;
- SCO Forum in China — April 19;
- 3rd Russia-Kazakhstan Expert Forum — May 14–15;
- 25th Annual International Forum of Young Legal Historians, Belgium — June 5–8;
- Forum GLOBSEC 2019, Bratislava — June 6–8;
- 20th meeting of the Coordination Council of the Network University of the Commonwealth of Independent States — June 11;
- 18th Forum Petersburg Dialogue, Bohn — June 18–19;
- Conference dedicated to 90 anniversary of Yevgeny Primakov, Tel Aviv — November 6;
- Numerous conferences, seminars and round-table discussions, lectures in France, Germany, Austria, Spain, Italy, Greece, Serbia, Finland, the Czech Republic, the USA, Great Britain, Ireland, Switzerland, Hungary, Romania, Australia, Brazil, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Japan, China, India, South Korea, Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand, Myanmar, the UAE, and South Africa.

The overall number of trips amounted to 683, including 464 international trips.

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Advanced Training Abroad for MGIMO’s Academic Staff

More than 150 teachers of language departments went on academic trips and did professional development courses, in particular abroad.

Like in two previous years, in the summer of 2019, 15 teachers of the MGIMO English language departments were trained at the University of Oxford (UK).

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Foreign Students’ Internships, Participation in International Competitions and Student Events

Since the beginning of 2019, 353 students took part in partner universities’ internships and participated in various conferences and forums. 200 students visited 48 partner universities; 153 students participated in conferences and forums.

The students of the University participated and showed high results in the international law competitions:

- In March 2019, MGIMO students won the prestigious international competition for international investment arbitration the Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court (FIAMC) in Frankfurt am Main (Germany), which gathered students from the best universities’ law schools in the world. For the first time since the launch of the moot (12 years) Russian team from MGIMO became the first winning team from Russia and won all the trophies: finals’ winner, best team from the country that is not a member-state on the OECD, G. Obolentsev was nominated “Best Advocate Award”.

- Oral rounds of prestigious International and European Tax Moot Court in Belgium — March 17–22. MGIMO team was the first team from Russian that got a chance to represent its university in the final round.

- Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Competition in
Vienna — April 12–18. MGIMO team made it to the finals.

- 10th International Competition on social entrepreneurship Hult Prize, Quito (Ecuador) April 26–27. For the first time since the launching of the Competition (in 10 years) MGIMO team became the first team from CIS that made it to the finals (6 teams from 50).
- «All-European International Humanitarian and Refugee Law Moot Court» in Ljubljana — November 22–24. MGIMO team won the first prize. Supported by the Art, Science, and Sport Charity Foundation

November 7th–10th, the International Student Competition on International Investment Arbitration, the Foreign Direct Investment Arbitration Moot (FDI Moot), held its global oral rounds. This year the global rounds were organized on the campus of the University of Miami’s School of Law (USA). For the first time since the launch of the moot in 2008, two Russian student teams from MGIMO and Saint Petersburg University met in the final and our team came 2nd. Sponsored by “Clifford Chance”

- March 15, MGIMO team won the Ros-IFA and KPMG Competition on Funds Transfer Pricing;
- October 24, the Moscow office of the leading audit and consulting company Ernst and Young hosted the all-Russian final of the annual tax competition Young Tax Professional of the Year 2019. MGIMO students Alina Ivanova and Veronika Sinyatkina came first and third in the individual contest, and Eva-Maria Shakhmaeva was a winner of the team event.
- November 23–27, the leading consultancy company Ernst & Young organized the international finals of the annual Young Tax Professional of the Year competition in Amsterdam. The 2nd year student of the MA program “International Financial Law”, Alina Ivanova, took the second place in the international tax competition Young Tax Professional of the Year 2019.

MGIMO students completed internships at the University of Sciences Po (Paris, France), Paris School of Economics (PSE), Uppsala University (Uppsala, Sweden), University of Strasbourg, Lisbon University, European Business School (EBS Paris), University of Castilla-La Mancha (Albacete, Spain), Prague Economic University, Mahidol University (Bangkok, Thailand), University of Geneva, Technical University of Dresden, Kyung Hee and Khanchuk Universities (Republic of Korea), Beijing University of Foreign Languages, State University of Vilnius, Universities of Aoyama Gakuin, and Shizuoka Prefecture (Japan).

Moreover, students participated at the Youth Festival in Trondheim (Norway), Conference on Social Sciences in Tanzania, Conference at Tufts University, Youth Case Championship in Ecuador, Forum UNECE in Geneva, Forum at Stanford, Competition on debating in Munich, 100 Top Young Leaders meeting in China. 

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Pre-Degree Internships

Since 2001, MGIMO University with the support of the Vladimir Potanin Foundation and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been implementing a pre-degree internship programme in Russia’s diplomatic institutions abroad. In 2019, 200 MGIMO Bachelor and Master’s degree students were sent to the overseas institutions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia. At the first meeting of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Alumni-engagement Commission it was noted that the practice in the foreign establishments, carried out under the auspices of Vladimir Potanin Foundation, was an indisputable advantage in the selection of candidates. As a result of the first meeting, 78 young specialists were recommended to the public service, 63 of whom were MGIMO’s graduates.

The School of Business and International Proficiency students also take an active part in various foreign internships, international qualification exams, and special courses which are held in partnership with leading foreign business schools. Every year, MBA students and MGIMO professors participate in educational outreach modules and internships organized jointly with our foreign partners — universities and business schools in London, Oxford, Monaco, Shanghai, Hanover, etc.

International Educational Exhibitions

In 2019, MGIMO stands were presented at leading exhibitions in Russia and abroad:

- International Education Exhibition, Baku (Azerbaijan) — March 9;
- 49th Education and Career international exhibition in Gostiny Dvor, Moscow (Russia) — March 16–17;
- 48th Korea Study Abroad Fair international educational exhibition, Seoul (South Korea) — March 23;
▶ 60th Convention of the International Studies Association, ISA, Toronto (Canada) — March 27–30;
▶ 6th Moscow International Education Fair, Moscow (Russia) — April 10;
▶ 17th Education and Profession 2019, international exhibition, Tashkent (Uzbekistan) — April 19;
▶ 13th International Education Fair StudyWorld 2019 (Russian House of Science and Culture, Berlin) — May 17–18;
▶ Exhibition at the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum, St. Petersburg (Russia) — June 6–8;
▶ 31st annual conference and exhibition of the European Association for International Education (EAIE), Helsinki (Finland) — September 25–27;
▶ 18th Education and Profession 2018, international exhibition in Bukhara, Fergana and Samarkand (Uzbekistan) — November 6;
▶ 50th Education and Career Moscow international exhibition in Gostiny Dvor, Moscow (Russia) — November 9–10;
▶ International Education Exhibition Expolingua 2019, Berlin (Germany) — November 22–23.

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Agreements

Research and Publishing

MGIMO Research Centers
Books published
MGIMO Journals
MGIMO does research funded by grants from the Ministry of Science and Higher Education, the Russian government, the State Duma, the Russian Foundation of Fundamental Research [RFFR], the Russian Science Foundation [RSF], the Ministry of Defence; it also does research within the framework of agreements with JSC Concern VKO Almaz Antey (Air and Space Defence Corporation), PJSC Rosneft oil company and other entities.

Center for Scientific and Innovation Projects

Currently, faculty, PhD students and students of MGIMO are involved in 63 scientific and innovative projects. The 9th contest of young scientists was held, 15 individual projects were completed. 10 new projects were supported in the framework of the 10th contest dedicated to the 75th anniversary of MGIMO. Among the indicators are the preparation of articles in Web Of Science and Scopus.

The Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation continued financing the megagrant with the participation of the leading scientist W. Walford. The project is carried out by the Laboratory for the Analysis of International Processes, created at MGIMO.

Institute for International Studies (IIS)

The MGIMO Institute for International Studies was established in 2009 to develop analytical practice of the University in the field of international relations. Among its main tasks are identifying trends of the evolution of international processes and providing political expertise to foreign policy establishment.

Today the IIS is being reformed; the reform is aimed at stepping up publishing activities of IIS fellows, winning more grant awards, and making the Institute a leading international think tank.

Recipients of analytical papers produced by IIS experts are all main government institutions involved in shaping Russia’s foreign policy: the Administration of the President of Russia, staff of the Government of Russia, the Federation Council and the State Duma, the Security Council of the RF, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia, the Ministry of Defence, the Collective Security Treaty Organisation and other entities.

Two IIS magazines has been restarted — International Analytics and Ibero-American Notebooks. The project has been launched to inform the academic community of Russia about the scientific achievements of the IIS. The weekly electronic analytical newsletter Analytics MGIMO, covering more than 5,000 recipients, publishes comments from the IIS experts on the current agenda of international relations. The electronic academic bulletin, The MGIMO Researchers, is also published on a monthly basis, in which brief reviews of scientific articles by the IIS experts in leading Russian and foreign journals are presented as an interview with the authors.
ASEAN Center

In 2019, the ASEAN Center organized a number of major events at MGIMO: 5th Vietnam Day, the Russian-Vietnamese Youth Forum, the Russia — ASEAN Educational Forum, and ASEAN Academic Days.

The ASEAN Center co-organized the ASEAN Children's Summit in the framework of the international shift “Children of the World” in the All-Russian Children's Center “Ocean” (Vladivostok).

ASEAN Center’s experts participated in international conferences and forums dedicated to the problems of Southeast Asian countries, including the Vietnam-Russia Women’s Forum, the 2nd Vietnam-Russia Youth Forum, the 13th meeting of experts and eminent figures of the ASEAN Regional Security Forum in Japan, the international conference “Russia and Japan: mutually beneficial cooperation in the Asia-Pacific region”, the trilateral dialogue Russia — Japan — USA, the 3rd Asian-Pacific Conference of the Association of International and investigations in Singapore, the 5th Youth ASEAN — Russia Summit, the 11th international conference on the South China Sea “Cooperation for Regional Security and Development” in Hanoi (Vietnam).

The ASEAN Center also announced the results of the Russia — ASEAN 2019 video contest, organized together with the ASEAN Moscow Committee.
Centre for Digital Economy and Financial Innovation

MGIMO Center for Digital Economy and Financial Innovation is engaged in a comprehensive study of the legal and economic aspects of the development and use in the public and private sectors of new technologies such as blockchain, artificial intelligence, cryptocurrencies, robotics, etc.

In addition to the theoretical studies, the Center for Digital Economy and Financial Innovation conducts applied development of a wide range of economic and legal issues that arise, among other things, in the fields of new media, electronic commerce, technological support of production processes and information security.

Centre for Comprehensive Chinese Studies and Regional Projects

The centre takes an active part in protocol and research-analytical events; in 2019, it conducted more than 25 round table discussions and conferences.

Centre for Military and Political Studies

In 2019, the Centre was involved in a number of major government research projects. In July 2019, the Center once again won the RFFR competition for the best scientific project of basic research in the field of the effectiveness of strategic containment. The Centre also prepared and published a collective monograph: “The Strategic containment: a new trend and the choice of Russian politics”.

Centre for strategic studies in the field of energy and digital economy at the International Institute of Energy Policy and Diplomacy MGIMO

The Centre takes an active part in the work on scientific projects in the interests of Russia’s leading corporations. One of the researches is on “Comprehensive study of international legal problems of Arctic hydrocarbons development (including transborder deposits). Recommendations for PJSC Rosneft oil company”.

Research Centre (Laboratory) for Analysis of International Processes

The Laboratory was established on February 1, 2018 to study the impact of new technologies on international relations and foreign policies of states. The work of the Laboratory is sponsored by the Government of the Russian Federation within the state programme “Development of science and technologies”. In 2019, the information and analytical system “Semantic Archive” was installed and launched in Laboratory.
Books published

The curricula of MGIMO are largely supported by its own textbooks and manuals. In 2019, the MGIMO publishing house and its partner publishers (“Aspect-Press”, “Cambridge Scholars Publishers” and others) published more than 180 new books, including:

In Russian:

- “The MGIMO University: Traditions and the Present. 1944–2019” edited by A.V. Torkunov
- “Transformation of International Relations in Northeast Asia and the National Interests of Russia,” edited by A.V. Torkunov, D.V. Streltsov
- “International Information Security: Theory and Practice” edited by A.V. Krutskikh
- “Political Comparative Studies” edited by O.V. Gaman-Golutvina
- “Countries and Regions in World Politics: in 2 volumes”, edited by V.O. Pechatnov, D.V. Streltsov
- “The History of International Relations of Latin America and the Caribbean (20th century — the beginning of 21st century)” / B.F. Martynov
- “Megatrends of World Politics and their Development in the 21st century”, edited by M.M. Lebedeva
- “History of the Russian Diplomatic Service” / O.V. Lebedeva
- "Institutes of Multilateral Diplomacy" / O.V. Lebedeva
- “The Theory of International Relations as a Political Philosophy and Science” / T.A. Alekseeva
- “Theory of Politics: Case Study”, edited by T.A. Alekseeva, I.D. Loshkaryova
- “Political Geography” / I.Yu. Okunev
“Diplomacy. Models, Forms, Methods” / T. V. Zonova

“War, Revolution, Peace. Russia in International Relations. 1915–1925: Collective Monograph, edited by A. V. Revyakin

“English for International Affairs. Learn to Listen and Learn by Listening. Audio course: textbook for universities.” / E. B. Yastrebova

“Contemporary Political Thought (20th — 21st Centuries): Political Theory and International Relations.” / T. A. Alekseeva

“Contemporary Political Science: Methodology: Textbook” / Edited by O. V. Gaman-Golutvina, A. I. Nikitin.

“The Middle East is in the Focus of Political Analytics: a Collection of Scientific Papers on the 15th Anniversary of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies”

“International Economic Relations in the Global Economy” edited by I. N. Platonova

“Prospects for Economic Globalization,” edited by A. S. Bulatov

“International Law on the Protection and Promotion of Foreign Investment: Monograph” / D. K. Labin


“Sociology of Risk and Safety” / S. A. Kravchenko


In English:

“The Economy of Russia and Other Post-Soviet Countries,” edited by A. S. Bulatov and M. A. Petrova

“The Regional World Order. Transregionalism, Regional Integration, and Regional Projects across Europe and Asia”, edited by A. D. Voskresensky, B. Koller

“Baseline of Russian Arctic Laws” / P. Berkman, A. N. Vylegzhanin, O. Young

“Threats to Euro-Atlantic Security” / E. Flatter, A. A. Sushentsov, I. A. Istomin

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MGIMO Journals

The Scopus database includes the following journals affiliated with MGIMO: “Polis” [Political research] and “Mezhdunarodnye Protsessy” [International Trends]. Journals “Vestnik MGIMO–University” [MGIMO Review of International Relations] and “Sravnitel’naya politika” [Comparative Politics] have been included in the main collection of Web of Science (Emerging Sources Index).

“Moskovskiy zhurnal mezhdunarodnogo prava” [Moscow journal of international law] and “Filologicheskiye nauki” [Philology at MGIMO journal] are confirmed by VAK (The State Commission for Academic Degrees and Titles) academic journals.

In 2019 the journal “Koncept: filosofiya, religiya, kul’tura” [Concept: Philosophy, Religion, Culture] also got VAK status.

In 2019, MGIMO started publishing a new international peer-reviewed electronic scientific journal, “Professional Discourse & Communication.”

Since 2006, MGIMO has been issuing a monthly on-line edition “Vsya Evropa.ru” [All Europe.ru]. Journals “Mezhdunarodnye kommunikatsyi” [International Communications] and “Mirovoye i natsional’noye khozyaistvo” [World and National Economy] are issued on a regular basis.

Professor Natalya Chernysheva in cooperation with the Alumni Association made it possible to give a fresh impetus to the student newspaper “Mezhdunarodnik” [A student of international relations]. The year of 2018 saw special issues of the magazine on the occasion of the jubilees of the Schools of International Relations, International Journalism, International Economic Relations, and an issue about university alumni called “Life after MGIMO”.

Sponsored by MGIMO Alumni Association
The corporate MGIMO Journal, in addition to Russian-language quarterly issues, presented digests in English and French.

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**Scientific library of MGIMO named after Ivan Tyulin**

In 2019, 33 thematic book exhibitions were organized (of which 9 were virtual on the MGIMO portal).

As a part of the National subscription, MGIMO gained access to the following foreign databases: Taylor & Francis journals, Oxford University Press journals, SAGE Publication journals, ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global database of dissertations and abstracts, Wiley journals, Web of bibliometric databases Science and Scopus.

Within the framework of RFFR grants, access was obtained to 5 databases of Springer publishing house: books, magazines and to collections of books and magazines of Elsevier publishing house “Freedom collection”.

MGIMO’s own electronic library, which was transferred to the new University Online Library platform in mid-2018, loaded 1,416 books and 251 dissertations in 2019. In the summer of 2019, all 100 computers of the scientific library were updated. Due to the financial support of Transneft PJSC and the assistance of MGIMO Endowment, **the restoration of 32 rare books from the Library** has been completed.

The oldest manuscript book of the collection is the medical treatise of Ali ibn Abbas Al-Majusi in Arabic, rewritten in 1281; the first edition of "History of the Russian State" by Nikolay Karamzin; handwritten collection of poems by Amir Khusrau Dehlavi (1506); "Shahnameh" Firdousi in Persian (1632); "Judicial Code of Tsar Ivan Vasilievich" published by the Imperial Academy of Sciences in 1768; as well as the works of M.V. Lomonosov, M. Kazem-Bek, A. Olearia, V.G. Grigorovich-Barsky and other authors.

**MGIMO — dear, beloved, unforgettable!**

Patokh Chodiev
Co-owner of Eurasian Natural Resources Corporation (ENRC PLC) and International Mineral Resources (IMR) companies
October 14th, the University has celebrated its 75th anniversary!

The University was receiving dozens of congratulations throughout the entire day. MGIMO was congratulated by President Vladimir Putin, Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev, Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, Chairman of the Federation Council Valentina Matvienko, Chairman of The State Duma Vyacheslav Volodin, Director of the Foreign Intelligence Service Sergey Naryshkin, and Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu. Lots of congratulations came from abroad. MGIMO was congratulated by its graduates — the President of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliev and the President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, as well as by Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovakia, Chairperson of the OSCE Miroslav Lajčák. Congratulations by Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia was conveyed to the audience during a solemn mass held in the Alexander Nevsky Church at MGIMO.

On this same day, the University held a solemn ceremony of “the cancellation of postcards” of the “MGIMO 75” memorable series. The ceremony was attended by Deputy Head of the Federal Agency of Mass Communications Sergey Chebakov, General Director of JSC “Marka” Artyom Adibekov. A brass band of cadets of the Military University of Russia’s Ministry of Defence performed for the guests of the event. Rector Anatoly Torkunov officially launched the anniversary marathon by enunciating the congratulations by the President of Russia to the faculty, staff and students in attendance.

Starting October 14, several exhibitions have been rolled out on MGIMO premises and beyond. The historical exposition “MGIMO: from Lazarev Institute to the Present Day” is located in the atrium of the new building and on several floors of the Odintso-
vo campus. The atrium also housed an exhibition of publications authored by MGIMO professors that have come out during the course of the anniversary year, as well as a collection of memories by graduates from different years.

MGIMO students have also prepared their gift to the University — a series of video greetings “MGIMO happy anniversary” and an interactive “MGIMO Facts” quiz. Installed at the entrances into the University were traditional “on the wall newspapers”, abundant with colourful congratulations to students and professors. The quest “In the footsteps of MGIMO history” at the Odintsovo campus represented yet another of many student-led initiatives.

The second half of the day saw several generations veterans gather at the University. Rector Anatoly Torkunov warmly greeted them, thanking them for their invaluable contribution to the development of the University and wished them good health. The evening ended with a gala dinner.

MGIMO Studio theatre also prepared a gift for the 75th anniversary — the “White nights” performance based on the same title play by Fyodor Dostoevsky to have taken place in the conference hall.

Throughout the day, reports on the anniversary of MGIMO were broadcast on Federal channels, and news agencies published numerous interviews with Rector Anatoly Torkunov and renowned MGIMO alumni.

The large-scale international conference — the Russian International Studies Association (RISA) Convention took place on October 21–22.

550 employees were awarded with honorary diplomas of MGIMO and jubilee medals in honor of the 75th anniversary of the University. Government awards were awarded to 14 MGIMO employees, departmental awards were awarded to 72 employees.

The documentary “MGIMO. In All Languages of the World”

In honor of the 75th anniversary of the University, the film “MGIMO. In All Languages of the World” was created and shown at the Russian First Channel.

The documentary tells the history of MGIMO, shows the legendary University from the inside, dispels the myths surrounding it, opens the curtain of mystery of the institute, which for many years remains one of the most famous and prestigious not only in Russia but also in the world.
The final anniversary event was the gala evening at the Bolshoi Theater. 1,500 teachers, veterans and the most famous graduates gathered in the hall of the main theater of the country.

For the first time, the hymn of MGIMO was sounded within the walls of the Bolshoi Theater. From a huge screen, the President of Russia Vladimir Putin addressed the audience.

With interest, the audience watched the announcement of the documentary about MGIMO, which was then broadcast on the Russian First channel.

From the stage of the legendary theater, the university faculty and guests were congratulated by the rector of MGIMO, academician Anatoly Torkunov who emphasized that the MGIMO’s distinguishing feature has always been the relationship between the university’s traditions and advanced trends.

The official part of the evening was replaced by the ballet “Raymonda.”

The informal communication of the guests of the evening took place in the Beethoven Hall and in the lobby of the theater. The memorable gifts for the guests became the programme books of the performance with the MGIMO logo, calendars with the poems of the MGIMO alumni and the special issue of the MGIMO Journal.

November 29–30th, graduates and friends of MGIMO met up in St. Petersburg for the “MGIMO-on-Neva” meeting. A special edition of the play “Optimistic Tragedy. Farewell Ball”, the winner of the “Golden Mask” theatrical award this year, was organized for the University at the famous Alexandrinsky theatre. The programme for the first half of the day comprised a master class in TED-style on the “Creative economy”, organized by MGIMO’s School of Business and International Proficiencies and the Alexandrinsky theatre.

In the evening guests attended the play “Optimistic Tragedy. Farewell Ball” on the theatre’s historical stage, and those who arrived early visited the Museum of Russian Drama, which has a unique exhibition about the oldest Russian drama troupe.
The meeting ahead of the performance was opened by MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov and the Artistic Director of the Theater Valery Fokin. The Rector extended this thanks to the theatre for the warm welcome and gave Valery Fokin and Renat Dosmukhamedov the MGIMO Order of merit. After the performance, the audience went to the new stage, where a ballroom dancing class was organized, at the initiative of MGIMO graduate Ekaterina Grafodatskaya. Over fifty couples danced the waltz, the quadrille, and the almost-forgotten Mazurka.

The meeting was attended by members of the University’s different clubs, representing Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Benelux countries, Spain, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Moldova, Poland, Slovakia, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Finland, and Switzerland.

Foreign graduates of the University gathered at the first meeting of the International Council of the Alumni Association and met with MGIMO Rector Anatoly Torkunov to discuss projects to expand the international reach of the association. The participants shared the results of meetings held abroad for the 75th anniversary of the University, and agreed to organize an international Council in different countries on a yearly basis.

On Saturday, the MGIMO delegation visited some of the main sites of St. Petersburg (the Russian Museum, the exhibition hall «Manege», the Imperial porcelain factory). The discussion on theatrical art continued at an intellectual brunch, sponsored by the Alexandrinsky theater.

The event was initiated by the Managing Director of the Alexandrinsky theatre and MGIMO graduate (international journalism) R. Dosmukhamedov, and sponsored by A. Bnatov, «Northern Capital Highway», the company «Dixie» and the Kizlyar brandy factory.

25th anniversary of the School of Governance and Politics

On December 6th, the anniversary of the School of Governance and Politics was celebrated at the MGIMO Conference Hall.

The School of Governance and Politics was established in 2017 as a result of the merger of the Department of Political Science and the International Institute of Governance. The Department of Political Science was established in 1998 and became the first political science department in Russia with teaching at all educational levels. The department at different times was headed by prominent scientists, such as Professor Andrey Melville, Professor Alexey Salmin, Professor Alexey Bogaturov, Professor Alexey Voskresensky. In January 1994, the Center for Public Administration was established at MGIMO, on the basis of which the International Institute of Governance was established in 2004. It was headed by Professor Robert Engibaryan.
Student Events and Projects

Endowment Student Grants
Students' Representative Council
MGIMO Summer School in Sochi
Career-Oriented and Training Events for Students
Scholarships
MGIMO Volunteer Centre
MGIMO Endowment Student Grants Contest

The 9th Annual Contest of Endowment Student Grants was announced October 14. Total grant funding amounted to 5 mln roubles ($80 thousand). Over the nine years of the contest’s existence MGIMO Endowment has sponsored more than 130 projects with a total sum granted exceeding 25 mln roubles ($380 thousand).

The following projects, which will be carried out in 2020, are the winners of Student Grants Contest 2019:

1. Conference dedicated to the 75th anniversary of the Victory in the Great Patriotic War
2. MGIMO Economic club “OECONOMICUS”
3. MGIMO Music Awards
4. «MGIMO TALENTS»
5. Energy Cooperation with China conference and OPEC Model
6. 36th Spring Ball MGIMO
7. INFOGENERATION
8. Cultural and entertainment events of the MGIMO International Students Community
9. MGIMO Choir “PROXENOS”
10. MGIMO 360
11. Let’s Talk MGIMO
12. Modernization of the sports material and technical base of the Student Sports Club of MGIMO
13. Development of MGIMO KVN [Club for the Lighthearted and Quick-witted] (Humour Show and Competition) team
14. The European Court of Human Rights’ Model
15. MGIMO Innovation Week — 2
3rd International Forum "Russia and China: A Look into the Future"
4th Moscow Youth International Model of the Arctic Council
MGIMO Days of Science
Week of Japan
20th anniversary of the MGIMO Middle East Club
EU — EAEU International Forum
Russian-Scandinavian Youth Forum “Northern Dialogue”
Student newspaper “Mezhdunarodnik”
MGIMO Business Spring 2020
MGIMO—SYMPhONY
MGIMO Golf National Team
Educational programme of the MGIMO Business Club
Joint study of the Anglo-Saxon Club of MGIMO and the Institute of Europe of the Russian Academy of Sciences: relevant problems of party politics in the UK
Moscow Open Parliamentary Debate Tournament
MGIMO Hockey team "Diplomats"
Alpen Skiing in Italy
Women’s Leadership Project “Her Profession”. An educational module for the finalists of the All-Russian High Potential Girls Support Programme
International Youth Forum on Sustainable Development (SDG Forum)
School of Environmental Entrepreneurship
Model of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Forum “M.ART”
Psychological workshop "INSIGHT"
Maslenitsa MGIMO 2020

Sponsored by Andrey Epifanov and Musa Bazhaev
In 2019, the following winning projects of last year’s Endowment Student Grants Competition were implemented:

Student projects included the jubilee 20th Moscow UN International Model, the MINT Negotiation Tournament (Moscow International Negotiation Tournament), the 3rd Moscow International Youth Council Arctic Model (MAC–2019), and the Moscow Open Debate Club Parliamentary Debate Tournament (in English).

The 10th anniversary of the MGIMO Economic Club “Oeconomicus” was marked by large-scale projects. In March 2019, Oeconomicus organized the 5th International Youth Forum on Sustainable Development, which was attended by over 200 people from foreign countries, different cities and regions of Russia. MGIMO Economic Club also took an active part in the 4th International business forum “Russian-Singapore Business Dialogue”, which was held in Singapore.

Courses of educational lectures of the MGIMO Business Club supplemented the educational process with topics that students are interested in. A large 3-day event with a rich theoretical and practical programme became the MGIMO Business Spring Forum.

The University hosted the traditional event of the Scientific Student Society — Night of Science. MGIMO intellectuals also organized the 5th international student festival of intellectual games “MGIMO–International”.

The Russian-Japanese student conference — 2019, the Week of Azerbaijan, the Week of Uzbekistan, the French oratory competition in French named after Vasily Trediakovsky, lecture course “Africa in the Modern World”, the 1st international youth forum “Three Dimensions of Security” of the MGIMO German Studies Club, the Russian-Scandinavian youth forum “Northern Dialogue” and the 2nd International Youth Forum “Russia and China: A Look into the Future” were dedicated to individual countries and regions. For specific industries — the 1st Interuniversity Model of the Council of Europe, Scientific Student Conference “Energy Cooperation with China” and MGIMO Innovation Week at the Odintsovo branch.

MGIMO’s cultural life was markedly enriched by the MGIMO Choir “Proxenos”, which turned 5 years old. Over the years, the Choir sang dozens of songs, visited 7 countries,
won prizes at competitions in Russia and abroad, participated in many university holidays, recorded its own CD. In 2019, the choir toured in Spain and Austria.

A variety of nationalities and traditions of MGIMO was reflected in the traditional food festival “The Day of International Cuisine” of the International Students Community Council. One of the brightest events was the “MGIMO Dances” contest.

The Hockey team “Diplomats” strengthens its position in tournaments. Thanks to the Endowment grant, the hockey team was able to rent the ice for training, pay fees for participating in competitions and buy a new uniform.

In the framework of the MGIMO Endowment grant competition, the following projects were implemented: Alpine skiing, MGIMO Golf Team, 4th MGIMO Grappling Championship, MGIMO Running Club, MGIMO 2019 Futsal Intercup.

The Environmental agenda and separate garbage collection was brought into life by the SE Plastic Endowment Grant Competition Project.

Supported by Andrey Epifanov and MGIMO Endowment

November 15–16, MGIMO hosted the Forum “Days of Indigenous Peoples of Russia”, organized by the Department of Educational Work and the MGIMO Student Council with the support of the Federal Agency for Youth Affairs and “Russia — Country of Opportunities”. It brought together the representatives of ethnic associations of indigenous peoples and young people interested in the study and development of the socio-economic potential and culture of the peoples of Russia.
“Starostats”

By the tradition, two Students’ Representative Council Meetings were held in spring and autumn of 2019, with the most ambitious and proactive MGIMO freshmen participating in them. Educational workshops aimed at developing teamwork, communication and efficient decision-making skills were on the agenda of the Meetings.

MGIMO Youth Summer School in Sochi

The 6th MGIMO Youth Summer School in Sochi took place on July 9–18, 2019, uniting a record number of students of MGIMO and the Odintsovo branch on its site. The programme of the event included lectures on lobbyism in Russia and the world, as well as practical classes and master classes on aspects of the implementation of youth policy. The school was attended by activists of student organizations, the brightest in school and public life. Within 10 days, the educational, cultural, and entertainment programme of the trip was implemented at two sites — in mountain and coastal clusters.
MGIMO Winter Vacations in Sochi

From January 31 to February 6, on the basis of the recreation complex "Belarus" in the village of Krasnaya Polyana, the sports and recreation trip "MGIMO Winter Vacations in Sochi" was held for the third time, which was attended by activists of student organizations of the University. Throughout the week, students studied with experienced instructors or independently mastered the pistes of the ski resorts of Sochi. In addition to sports training, the programme included trips along the Rosa Khutor Valley, as well as various cultural and recreational activities and games.

MGIMO Volunteer Centre

Not a single major international event in Russia takes place without MGIMO students’ assistance for foreign delegations, including "protocol", "media work" and "linguistic services". In 2019, MGIMO student volunteers participated in the organization of the 29th World Winter Universiade in Krasnoyarsk (March 2019), the 7th Conference on Interregional Cooperation between Russia and Tajikistan (April 2019), the celebration of Victory Day (May 2019), and the 2nd Stolypin Forum “Strategies for Of Russia” (May 2019), MGIMO Days in the Tula Region (May 2019), the International Forum “Russian Energy Week ” (October 2019), the Russia-Africa Forum (October 2019). The Silver Bridge project is ongoing, in which our students teach volunteers of the age 50+ English language.

In February 2019, Moscow Mayor S. S. Sobyanin solemnly awarded representatives of the volunteer community, which included N. Petrova, deputy head of the Department for Educational Work at MGIMO.

MGIMO Center for International Youth Cooperation

The Center is a federal resource platform for the support and implementation of international youth cooperation, as well as for the support of international projects and programmes. The center provides expert and methodological support to the core areas in Russia, prepares and conducts discussion platforms and sessions as part of major events. In 2019, the Center prepared sessions "Up and Up - how we will prepare leaders
who are able not only to change the world, but also to make it better” and “I fly to Russia: a tourism development strategy of the country as a tool to increase its well-being” as part of the Youth Day of SPIEF-2019, the thematic shift of the Forum “I am a Citizen of the Moscow Region” 2019, the Summit of the BRICS Youth Energy Agency as part of the Youth Day of the Russian Energy Week-2019, etc.

Important areas of the Center’s activities are the preparation of Russian youth delegations for participation in international events, as well as the development and implementation of educational programs in the field of international youth cooperation.

**MGIMO Students' Representative Council**

MGIMO Students' Representative Council organizes large-scale projects, including MGIMO Dancing, the Battle of Departments, the Parliamentary Model, the MGIMO KVN League, supports programmes of Student Curators and Student Tutors, Mr. and Miss Sport (in conjunction with MGIMO Student sports club) and many others.
CAREER-ORIENTED AND TRAINING EVENTS FOR STUDENTS

By 2019, the University concluded more than 1,300 long-term and short-term agreements with state institutions and private corporations that are ready to provide internship for MGIMO students. The number of Bachelors and Masters who did an internship in 2019 totaled 3,000.

In 2019, MGIMO Career Centre hosted more than 80 career orientation events including presentations, lectures, and workshops from leading governmental and private institutions, meetings on pre-diploma practice in the Russian Foreign Ministry and other organizations, the Vladimir Potanin Foundation’s scholarship competition, the workshop of the All-Russian Association of Career Centers, negotiations and the signing of multilateral cooperation agreements with employing organizations. MGIMO organized two Career Days with more than 60 corporate and government participants.

Every year, over 350 vacancies are posted on the electronic resources of the MGIMO Career Center (more than 6,000 subscribers on the website and in social networks).

Representatives of such companies as “Agroexport”, BCG, PJSC MMC Norilnickel, Transneft PJSC, Sibur, United Aircraft Corporation, Vnesheconombank, Sberbank, Rosbank, Abrau-Durso, Inter RAO, PricewaterhouseCoopers, SuperJob etc., ran workshops for MGIMO students.

SCHOLARSHIPS


Starting from the 2017, MGIMO participates in the Programme of Named Fellows of the Government of Moscow. 342 students are recipients of the Presidential Grant. Cooperation continues with the International Chodiev Foundation and the Vladimir Potanin Foundation.

The best students get corporate scholarships from Metalloinvest Management Company LLC, Rosneft Oil Company PJSC, Transneft PJSC, Karakan Invest, Gazprombank. Governor’s educational grants have been awarded for two years to support the graduates of Moscow area schools who study at the MGIMO Odintsovo Branch.

In 2019, Rosbank and Societe Generale Insurance Scholarship was founded for 9 students.
Educational Projects for School Students and MGIMO Olympiads
MGIMO Gorchakov Lyceum

Each year, MGIMO Gorchakov Lyceum arranges short-term study trips to different countries as the early professional orientation programme, so that future diplomats can imagine how to be a professional in the international arena. This year, a group of lyceum students had a chance to visit China, Korea and Japan, and another group of lyceum students went to France and Switzerland.

One of the immediate tasks of the MGIMO Gorchakov Lyceum is the development of a network of lyceum classes, their cooperation with leading Russian schools focused on in-depth linguistic training. In 2019, the programme of a dual certificate of secondary education with the Lyceum International House Tashkent was launched. The first set of the dual certificate programme included 52 students (both citizens of Uzbekistan and citizens of the Russian Federation whose parents live or work in Uzbekistan).

Besides Gorchakov Lyceum, MGIMO has also worked with Evgeny Primakov Gymnasium and Letovo School.

September 1, 2019 a linguistic class was opened in the “High School 1520 in the name of the Kaptsov” in cooperation with MGIMO. During the year, teachers of the MGIMO International Journalism department conduct classes in the disciplines “Stylistics and culture of speech” and “Fundamentals of creative activity” at the school.

In September 2019, MGIMO and INTECO signed a memorandum of cooperation, within the framework of which it is planned to create an educational center “New Look” School-Laboratory.

MGIMO days in the Tula region, May 23-24

More than 1,500 high school students learned about the features and benefits of studying at MGIMO from the University’s management and the representatives of its schools and institutes at the events held in the “Oktava” creative industrial cluster, in Tula and the Tula region schools. The events included intellectual games on economy, quests, parliamentary games, and round tables. MGIMO schools, institutes, the Gorchakov Lyceum, college, and the Odintsovo branch were presented at the large-scale multimedia exposition.

With the support of the Government of the Tula region, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education
In 2019, the MGIMO Olympiad for school students and "University challenge: Umnicy and umniki [Bright Girls, Bright Boys]" underwent independent external assessment and had their status validated.

The gradual increase in the quality of MGIMO Olympiads continues for the fourth year in a row. In 2019, the highest quality indicators were achieved for the entire duration of the MGIMO Olympiad for students:

- almost all diploma holders have confirmed the right to benefit according to the results of the exam;
- the average score of the exam for students in history was 96 points, in social science — 90 points;
- many diploma winners after success at the MGIMO Olympiad also won prizes at the All-Russian Olympiad for schoolchildren (15 people);
- Over 80% of the winners and prize winners of the Olympiad became MGIMO students, the rest went to other Russian leading universities.

The services of the official website of the Olympiad allow a large number of students in grades 7–11 to participate in it in an interactive remote mode, including the ones from other countries and remote regions of Russia. The number of participants in the Olympiad is up to 3,500 people each academic year.

MGIMO was involved in organizing the Moscow ecology and French language Olympiads for school students. The University provides training for the members of the Moscow team for the All-Russian School Olympiad in law. MGIMO also offers preparatory training sessions for Chinese language Olympiads for school students.

**MGIMO University Saturdays**

Throughout the year MGIMO academics are giving lectures to school students and their parents as part of University Saturdays, regular series of educational events organized by Moscow.
Cultural and Sports Events
EXHIBITIONS

The Exhibition of photographs “Russia and Turkey in the lens of Russian-Turkish diplomats”, February 28 — March 7

The Art exhibition “The Ball in Art”, March 12–22.
During its opening, the tour of the art exhibition was launched in a number of countries. The final point of the exhibition will be Doha (Qatar) on the eve of the next FIFA World Cup 2022.

With the support of the MGIMO Volunteer Center

The Exhibition dedicated to the “Week of Uzbekistan”, March 11–15
With the support of the MGIMO Endowment

Photo exhibition “The World through the Eyes of the Wives of Russian Diplomats”, April 4–21
The Exhibition of Armenian artists, organized by the Armenian community of MGIMO, April 8–12
The Exhibition dedicated to the national hero of Nicaragua Augusto Cesar Sandino, April 26–30
The Exhibition of Khasay Aliyev, a famous artist and psychotherapist, May 6–8
The Exhibition of paintings from the Studio of the Cultural Center MGIMO, May 1–19
“Acquaintance with the art of the Republic of Belarus”, May 20–25
The exhibition “91/19”, timed to coincide with the release of the next international journal, about the post-Soviet space, May 27 — June 1

Organized by ARTLAB MGIMO

Unveiling of the monument to Leo Tolstoy and the exhibition
“Diplomacy of Good”, September 26th
The monument was installed in the apple orchard of MGIMO, grown from the seedlings brought from Yasnaya Polyana. The author of the monument is the Academician of the Russian Academy of Arts N. Ivanov. The exhibition contained the manuscripts of Leo Tolstoy and lifetime editions of his books, the letters to Emperor Nicholas II, Mahatma Gandhi and other politicians, scientists, and writers. The governor of the Tula region Alexey Dyumin and the rector of MGIMO Anatoly Torkunov spoke at the ceremony.
The Exhibition dedicated to the arrival of the President of the Philippines,  
**October 4–7**

*With the support of the ASEAN MGIMO Center*

**The Photo exhibition "From the Lazarev Institute to the present"**  
**October 14 — December 1**

The exhibition presented key facts of history and the present MGIMO, as well as archival photos of students and alumni of the University.

*With the support of the MGIMO Alumni Association and Severstal*

The Exhibition by TASS News Agency "Happy Anniversary, MGIMO!"  
The Russian News Agency TASS, together with MGIMO, presented a photo exhibition dedicated to the 75th anniversary of the university.  
The exhibition "Happy Anniversary, MGIMO!" was presented in front of the agency’s headquarters on Tversky Boulevard in Moscow.

**3rd MGIMO Art Festival and 7th Art Exhibition ’The World Through the Eyes of MGIMO students, graduates and professors’**  
**October 21 — November 3**

The art festival included the 3rd festival of short amateur films (KLUF), a photo exhibition by Igor Lileev, poetry readings, theater performances and special sessions on contemporary art for students and graduates. The central element of the festival is the 7th Art Exhibition, which contained more than 120 works by MGIMO graduates of different years, in a variety of styles and genres: photo, oil, watercolor, collage, ebru, ceramics.

*Organized by the MGIMO Alumni Association*

The Exhibition dedicated to the "Week of Azerbaijan",  
**November 18–23**

*With the support of the MGIMO Endowment*

Exhibition "Afghanistan. One Hundred Years of Independence",  
**November 25–29**

Exhibition in honor of the 40th anniversary of the Vienna International Center of the United Nations,  
**December 2–6**

*With the support of the UNESCO Chair in MGIMO*
PERFORMANCES

In 2019, the premieres of the performances of the MGIMO Studio Theater — “Five Evenings” and “Griboedov. Outline of the portrait.” On October 14th, the play “White Nights” was shown based on the play of the same name by Fedor Dostoevsky.

The following art studios continue to work on the basis of the MGIMO Cultural Center: Ballroom Dance Studio, Vocal Studio, Fine Arts Studio, Theater Studio, Choir, Literary and Poetic Club, Contemporary Dance Studio, MGIMO Symphony.

In October, a collection of poems “The MGIMO Poets” was published, dedicated to the celebration of the 75th anniversary of MGIMO.

CONCERTS AND FESTIVALS

The MGIMO Ball
On April 21st, the MGIMO Cultural Center hosted the 32nd Spring Ball of MGIMO — one of the university’s traditional events, and on November 17 — the 33rd Autumn Ball of MGIMO.

A concert of student performances dedicated to the celebration of the Victory Day “In memory of the fallen, be worthy” — May 7.
The concert was attended by studio teams and soloists of the MGIMO Cultural Center.

A festive concert dedicated to the celebration of the 75th anniversary of MGIMO
On October 21, as part of the opening of the 12 RISA Convention, a concert was prepared by the creative associations of the MGIMO Cultural Center.
Concert of Grigory Leps
On October 21, a concert by Grigory Leps in honor of the 75th anniversary of the University took place on the large stage of the MGIMO conference hall.

Musical divertissement
On October 22, a concert of Tran Manh Tuan (Vietnam) and Dmitry Maloletov (Russia) was held in the Atrium of the MGIMO New building

The Battle of the Schools
On October 31, at MGIMO, for the third time, the Battle of the schools took place, in which the most active freshmen took part. The event was organized by the Student Union with the support of the Office of Educational Work.

The 4th Festival of Culture of the Peoples of Russia
On November 20, the 4th Festival of Culture of the Peoples of Russia was held at the Conference hall of MGIMO. The festival was organized by the Community of Russian Students with the support of the Office of Educational Work. Representatives of national communities of nine constituent entities of our country spoke about their small homeland by participating in an exhibition of national societies and a festive concert.

MGIMO Proxenos Choir concerts in Vienna
On December 13–17, the MGIMO Proxenos choir, led by Dmitry Vlasenko and Anton Tokovinin, gave solo concerts in Vienna. The tour was supported by the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Austria and the Rossotrudnichestvo Representation in Austria.

MGIMO KVN League
On April 2, at the MGIMO conference hall, the semifinal of the KVN League game took place, and on April 25, the final of the KVN MGIMO League with 12 teams competing. The winning team got the opportunity to play in the Moscow Student League of KVN and won the final of the Moscow Student League. Since October, the KVN School of MGIMO has been conducting classes and master classes for interested students.

On November 27, a reporting concert of the KVN School took place on the Small Stage of the Cultural Center.

On December 18, the KVN Cup MGIMO was held, the winner of which got the opportunity to take part in the KVN Festival in Sochi.
FILMS

On October 22, a special screening of the documentary film “Towards the Confidence: Russians in Japan” was held as part of the 3rd MGIMO Film Festival.

*With the support of the International Chodiev Foundation*

On November 22, the 3rd KLUF Film Festival (Club of Photography Lovers) took place, which included: showing short films of students and graduates of MGIMO, students’ speeches on various problems of the modern film industry, master classes from representatives of the professional community.

*With the support of the MGIMO Alumni Association*

SPORTS EVENTS

MGIMO ski track
January 25

On the Day of the Russian Students in Odintsovo Park of Culture, Sports, and Recreation, the traditional MGIMO Ski Track took place. The competition was attended by 138 people: 99 men and 39 women.

The start of the race was given by the deputy head of the Odintsovo district, V. Pereverzeva and the five-time Olympic champion in skiing L. Lazutina.

*With the support of the MGIMO Alumni Association and Endowment*
Skiing in Italy — 2019 for MGIMO students

In February, during one week, the MGIMO students had the opportunity to go snowboarding or skiing, improve their skills on the well-equipped tracks. This year, the training camps were held with students of the combined teams of MGIMO, who represented various sports.

*With the support of the MGIMO Endowment*

1st MGIMO Universiade
"Sports Generations"

On April 20, at the MGIMO sports grounds, the 1st MGIMO Universiade “Sports Generations” was held — the main sports event of the 75th anniversary of the University.

The competition was attended by more than 250 people, competing in 9 sports: football, volleyball, basketball, athletics, wrestling, badminton, table tennis, tennis, swimming. MGIMO graduates, prominent representatives of the state service and business, took part in competitions in various sports.

*With the support of a member of the Board of Trustees Mikhail Kuzovlev and the “3 rules” café network*

MGIMO CrossFit Games 2019 Autumn

On October 17, the annual MGIMO CrossFit Games 2019 Autumn competition took place at the Workout. Students of all courses and faculties fought for the title of the most sporting one. They showed their level of physical fitness, having passed a complex set of exercises. The event became one of the largest autumn competitions, more than 40 students took part in them.

*With the support of MGIMO Student Sports Club*
4th MGIMO Grappling Championship
On November 7, the MGIMO Grappling Championship was held at the University’s sports complex, in which more than 40 students in four weight categories, representatives of different faculties, courses and training levels, including European and world grappling champions, took part.

With the support of the MGIMO Endowment

The MGIMO Alumni Association Football Cup
December 21 the MGIMO sports center hosted The MGIMO Alumni Association Football Cup. The tournament was attended by the teams of graduates of different years, who in their student years formed the basis of the MGIMO team and actively promoted a healthy lifestyle.

4th Golf Cup of MGIMO Rector
On May 24, the 4th Golf Cup of MGIMO Rector, dedicated to the University’s 75th anniversary, took place at the Moscow Country Club.

MGIMO friends and partners, representatives of state services and business, graduates of the University, as well as the diplomats of foreign countries in Russia met at the Moscow Region venue. The event program was extensive, more than 70 athletes competed in 8 different tests.

With the support of GlavUpDK under the MFA of Russia, S8 Capital, Simple

MGIMO student golf movement has been developing. In 2019, the MGIMO team, the captain of which is a student E. Manturov, won the 4th Russian Student Championship under the auspices of the Russian Student Sports Union. In the individual competition, the second place was won by a student of Odintsovo branch of MGIMO, A. Komarets, who also became the winner of the MGIMO Championship, held at the Pirogovo Golf Club. In 2020, the University team will take part in international competitions.

The MGIMO hockey team “Diplomats” also shows good results.

With the support of the MGIMO Endowment
An 18-floor dormitory with a gross area of over 50,000 sq.m. has been under construction at MGIMO’s Vernadsky campus. On completion this modern building will accommodate around 2,000 students of BA, MA and PhD programmes. The construction is to be completed in the third quarter of 2020.

In 2019, over 60 classrooms were repaired, as well as the roofing of the Sports and Health Center and the Building K. The equipment in 12 multimedia classrooms, and outdoor lighting spotlights were renewed.

During the summer holidays, the territory of the MGIMO courtyard was arranged, including the new asphalt covering and the gardening of the MGIMO territory. Also, three large wardrobes were rebuilt and equipped.

With the support of Robert Paranyants

In the MGIMO courtyard was installed a monument to Leo Tolstoy.

The most important part of MGIMO’s infrastructure is a sports and fitness complex. There are 8 free sections on the basis of the Sports Complex of the Odintsovo branch: mini-football, basketball, boxing, volleyball, swimming, Thai boxing, aerobics, and choreography. Martial arts sections are especially popular. Sports competitions are held at the Sports Complex base (Fun starts, volleyball competitions, indoor soccer tournament among faculties, etc.).

Over the past year, the MGIMO’s IT-infrastructure has been significantly updated, including the server equipment, five computer classes, language laboratory equipment for language classes of the Military Department, the system of online applicants has been improved, and 15 online courses have been developed. In the framework of cooperation with VTB Bank and the Moscow Social Register State Unitary Enterprise, a project of Moscow campus cards has been implemented. Chip cards of the VTB Bank’s
MIR payment system, developed on the basis of a student’s, master’s and PhD student’s social cards, combine a bank card for scholarships, a social card for preferential travel on public transport, and an electronic pass to the University.

*With the support of VTB Bank*

Refinitiv Laboratory (ex.Thomson Reuters) was opened at MGIMO. Since September 2019, Eikon terminals have been actively used in the educational process of the International Economic Relations department both for the purpose of obtaining data and information and for the trading simulations. They will also be involved in undergraduate courses and a dual undergraduate program with the University of Reading.

*With the support of the MGIMO Endowment*

**New Websites**

Specially for the anniversary year of 2019, the website of the MGIMO 75th anniversary was developed, on which the information about all the events of the year, photos and congratulations was published.

A special website has also been created for the 5th International Forum of MGIMO Alumni in Uzbekistan with news, registration, and photos.

The MGIMO Endowment presented its website in English language: endowment.mgimo.ru, as well as the mobile version.

The MGIMO Student Union and the Student Sports Club launched new convenient websites, collecting all the most important information about their projects and events. The development of the websites was carried out with the support of the MGIMO Endowment as part of the winning project of the Endowment Student Grants Competition 2018/2019.
The University income and expenditure structure in 2019

The University income structure in 2019, mln roubles

4.412.5 mln roubles ($70 mln) Total income

- State contract subsidy (23%) ($16 mln)
- Earmarked funds (6%) ($4.4 mln)
- Subsidy on other activities (5%) ($3.4 mln)

Total income 2820.0

Income from fee-paying educational services (64%) ($45 mln)

The University expenditure structure in 2019, mln roubles

4.622.8 mln roubles ($73.4 mln) Total expenditure

- Salaries and wages including accruals (77%) ($56.6 mln)
- Other expenditure (6%) ($4.5 mln)
- Scholarships (3%) ($2.4 mln)
- Taxation (2%) ($1.4 mln)

Total expenditure 3565.8

Administrative and operating expenditure (12%) ($8.4 mln)

Other expenditure (6%) ($4.5 mln)

Scholarships (3%) ($2.4 mln)

Taxation (2%) ($1.4 mln)
The Odintsovo branch income and expenditure structure in 2019

The Odintsovo branch income structure in 2019, mln roubles

Total income 743,2 mln roubles ($11.8 mln)

2.4 Subsidy on other activities (1%) ($0.04 mln)
16.8 State contract subsidy (2%) ($0.3 mln)
22.7 Earmarked funds (3%) ($0.4 mln)
135.2 Other income (18%) ($2.1 mln)

566.1 Income from fee-paying educational services (76%) ($9 mln)

Total income 743,2 mln roubles ($11.8 mln)

The Odintsovo branch expenditure structure in 2019, mln roubles

Total expenditure 664.6 mln roubles ($10.5 mln)

2.4 Scholarships (1%) ($0.04 mln)
80.0 Other expenditure (12%) ($1.3 mln)

94.9 Administrative and operating expenditure (14%) ($1.5 mln)

487.3 Salaries and wages including accruals (73%) ($7.7 mln)
The University income and expenditure structure in 2020

The total University income structure in 2020, mln roubles

* With the balance of 530.3 mln roubles ($8.4 mln) as at the beginning of the year

**Total income**

- **343.6 mln roubles** (6%) ($5.5 mln) Subsidy on other activities
- **450.1 mln roubles** (7%) ($7.1 mln) Earmarked funds
- **1570.0 mln roubles** (26%) ($25 mln) State contract subsidy

**Total income**

- **3952.3 mln roubles** ($62.7 mln)

**Income from revenue-generating activities** (61%)

- **2938.3 mln roubles** ($46.9 mln)

**Administrative and operating expenditure** (15%)

- **963.3 mln roubles** ($15.3 mln) Administrative and operating expenditure
- **504.2 mln roubles** ($8 mln) Other expenses
- **163.4 mln roubles** ($2.6 mln) Scholarships

**Total expenditure**

- **6293.9 mln roubles** ($99.9 mln) Salaries and wages including accruals; remuneration under civil contracts with individuals (74%)

MGIMO Endowment
The Endowment capital amounted to **1.7 bln roubles ($27 mln)** as at December 31, 2019.

In 2019 the funds raised for MGIMO 75th anniversary projects and events amounted to **548.3 mln roubles ($8.7 mln)**, including **258 mln roubles ($4 mln)** to the target capital of MGIMO Endowment. The donations ranged from 2,000 ($30) to 150 mln roubles ($2.4 mln).

The main directions of the MGIMO Endowment work are: fundraising in the interests of the entire University, the capital asset management, the project financing, and the event organization.

The aim of the fundraising campaign for 2019 was to create the material “heritage” of the MGIMO’s 75th anniversary, including the modernization of infrastructure, the promotion of MGIMO in the international environment, stimulation of the academic mobility of students and teachers, a large-scale publishing program, scientific conferences and research. Most of the projects presented at the meeting of the MGIMO Supervisory Board and Board of Trustees on December 20, 2018 were supported by the trustees and members of the Supervisory Board, Russian and foreign companies, MGIMO graduates, friends, and partners of the University.

In 2019, the significant donations were made to the Endowment by the Deputy Chairman of the MGIMO Board of Trustees, the co-founder of the MGIMO Endowment, the founder of USM Holding Alisher Usmanov, Transneft PJSC (Nikolai Tokarev, CEO and President, a member of the MGIMO Supervisory Board), REGION Investment Group, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Association of lawyers of Russia Vladimir Gruzdev, President of Alliance Group JSC Musa
After the difficult 2018, the Russian market showed a noticeable recovery. This was facilitated by the return of the Bank of Russia to the process of easing monetary policy, including passing the peak of inflationary pressure in the 2nd quarter of 2019; a stable macroeconomic situation and, as a result, an increase in demand for Russian assets from foreign investors.

The dynamics of the Russian bond market in 2020 will be determined by the monetary policy of the Bank of Russia, which, in turn, will be based on the inflationary picture, the actions of the global Central Bank and the need to stimulate the economy. We expect that the key rate reduction cycle will continue and its level may reach 5.75% and lower at the end of 2020. The inflow of foreign capital may slow down, however, maintaining an attractive level of real rates, a high probability of a decrease in the key rate, as well as stable macroeconomic indicators of Russia should help maintain the interest of non-residents.

The Russian stock market in recent years is significantly ahead of the main international markets in terms of full return. The main factors of its attractiveness are a low rating on multiples with a high dividend yield on stock indices compared with the indices of developed and other emerging markets; stable macroeconomic situation.

The dividend yield in excess of the average yield of bonds can increase demand for high-quality stocks of companies that have strong fundamental indicators and distribute a significant portion of cash flows to shareholders.

In the coming years, the key risk for the Russian stock market remains difficulties in predicting geopolitical events, which not only reduce the investment attractiveness of Russian assets, but can also add uncertainty to the medium-term policy of monetary and fiscal authorities.
Bazhaev. Graduates and partners of MGIMO replenished the target capital are Roman Trotsenko, Andrey Vorobyov (Egorov, Puginsky, Afanasiev & Partners), Ilnar Mirsiyapov, Roman Surov, Petr Gorokhov (LLC Encom), Anton Ostrovsky, Andrey Rakhmakhunov, Valentina Davydova and others.


The 5th International MGIMO Alumni Forum in Tashkent was organized at the highest level thanks to the financial support of Alisher Usmanov and Patokh Chodiev.

The 2nd Stolypin Forum “Strategies for Russia” was organized in partnership with the Commissioner for Entrepreneurs’ Rights at the President of the Russian Federation, member of the MGIMO Board of Trustees Boris Titov, Institute of Growth Economics named after Petr Stolypin, and Rostec.

The Art, Science and Sport Charity Foundation continued to support MGIMO’s internationalisation projects (inviting foreign professors, foreign trips, internships for the faculty, participation in international contests, MGIMO’s participation in expositions and fairs in Russia and abroad, MGIMO’s international accreditation,).

The practice of MGIMO students in Russian embassies and the Ministry of Finance’s representative offices abroad, and in international organizations of United Nations is funded by the Vladimir Potanin Foudation.
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*According to the Central Bank of the Russian Federation

Internships of MGIMO students studying rare languages at foreign universities during many years is possible due to the support of Frederik Paulsen, a member of the MGIMO Board of Trustees.

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MGIMO’s partners consistently include: Metalloinvest, Rostec, PJSC Rosneft, MMC Nornickel, the International Chodiev Foundation and others.

The Endowment funds are managed by Gazprombank Asset Management (1.6 bln roubles or $25 mln) and VTB Capital (135 mln roubles or $2 mln). The return rate on the funds managed by Gazprombank Asset Management CJSC in 2019 was **13.43%**. The return rates on endowment capitals No 2 and No 3 managed by VTB Capital were **13.04%** and **12.65%** respectively.

In 2019, stocks were included in the Endowment portfolio. The major part of the Endowment capital is invested in corporate bonds. The portfolio also includes federal and subfederal bonds, and eurobonds.

The Endowment revenue transferred to the MGIMO budget for the last years summed up to **1 bln roubles ($16 mln)**. Also, MGIMO directly received earmarked donations worth **1.5 bln roubles ($24 mln)**.
At the beginning of 2019, we saw the following risk factors in the Russian debt market:

1 — sanction pressure on Russia;
2 — increased volatility in world markets, accompanied by a fall in commodity prices, primarily oil;
3 — uncertainty over the future inflation path and the key rate of the Central Bank of Russia associated with probable fluctuations in the exchange rate and uncertainty with the consequences of changes in the tax system, primarily VAT.

In this regard, we considered the preferred risk profile of the portfolio with a moderate average duration of up to 2 years. Such a portfolio would allow avoiding losses in case of negative developments and, on the other hand, take advantage of the market growth in the event of a positive scenario.

According to the results of the year, it can be stated that the main risks for the rouble bonds were not realized or were ignored by the market and did not affect the overall decrease in yield. Reducing inflation at a faster pace with the almost complete absence of the influence of the “VAT factor”, investors getting used to the sanction rhetoric led to an influx of funds into the Russian market. As a result, since the beginning of 2019, the Federal Loan Bond curve has significantly decreased in yield within 190–225 bp to 5.6–6.6% per annum, while the Central Bank lowered its key rate by 150 bp during the year to 6.25% with inflation slowing from 5–5.25% at the beginning of the year to 3.1–3.2% in December. Corporate spreads also narrowed to 60–80 bp for first-tier bonds, which is slightly lower than the average historical values (about 100 bp).

The World central banks actively cut interest rates in 2019 and provided liquidity to the money market. The US Federal Reserve cut the interest rate three times to 1.5–1.75% and can keep it at this level during 2020. The ECB keeps the lending rate at 0%, lowered the deposit rate to –0.5% per annum, implements a programme of redemption of assets from the market in the amount of 20 bln euros per month.
and can maintain a soft monetary policy in 2020. In general, the monetary-credit policy of the global central banks may remain soft during 2020.

In Russia in 2020, both scenarios are possible: the key rate will remain at the current level and its further decrease to the level of 6%. Based on the historical data in the cycle of lowering the key interest rate of the Central Bank, we expect the Federal Loan Bond curve to normalize and increase its slope to 80–120 bp (1–15 years old). At the same time, current bond quotes already reflect the forecast for the key rate level at the level of 5.5–6%:

1. In our conservative estimate of the slope of the OFZ curve (1–15 years) at 80 bp, OFZ already takes into account in prices 2 additional lowering of the Central Bank key rate to 5.75%.
2. In the scenario of the slope of the Federal Loan Bond curve (1–15 years) at the level of 120 bp, the Federal Loan Bond puts at least 3 rate cuts to 5.5% in quotes.

This suggests that investors may be overly optimistic in their forecasts and do not include in their scenarios the likelihood that the policy of the Central Bank may be more conservative. Thus, we do not expect a further decrease in the Federal Loan Bond yield in the current cycle of lowering the key rate of the Central Bank. An additional trigger to reduce the Federal Loan Bond profitability could be the Central Bank reviewing down the neutral range of the key rate from 6–7%. At the same time, in early December, the head of the Central Bank's monetary policy department, A. Zabotkin, told the media that changing the neutral range required a significantly larger amount of statistics, which could take quarters or years.

We consider the optimal strategy to maintain a portfolio duration of about 2 years. Such positioning makes it possible to make a profit in the event of a further reduction in the key rate in the segment where a positive price movement is still possible. At the same time, a low duration provides protection in the event that a market-friendly scenario is not realized and a price correction follows. We see additional opportunities in the primary market. Corporate spreads are at a relatively fair level. A large volume of initial offerings allows you to count on the provision of premiums to the secondary market. The credit quality of the portfolio is supposed to be maintained at a high level, giving preference to high-quality liquid issues.
The MGIMO Endowment invites MGIMO alumni and the business community to cooperate!

The Endowment Fund continues to cooperate with the Association of University Endowments (UnivEn). Marina Petrova, the Head of the MGIMO Endowment Fund and UnivEn, contributed her expert opinion on endowments in the discussions held at conferences and round tables on the topic of endowments development. Also, in 2019 the National Association of Endowments was founded in order to involve the endowments from other fields and to make the mechanism more popular.

Articles about Endowment were published in the 1st Russian issue of Vogue Business. A special issue of the Mezhdunarodnik newspaper devoted to the 75th MGIMO anniversary covered the stories of the Endowment Students Grants Contest winners. MGIMO alumni told about their motives under the project “Why do I support the Endowment?”

The financial audit of the MGIMO Endowment in 2018 was done by KPMG. The audit concluded that in accordance with Russian accounting standards, the financial statements gave a fair view of the financial position of the Fund, its financial results, cash flows, the use of the funds for the purposes intended as at 2018.
MGIMO Alumni Association

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On the 8th of February at the Embassy of the Russian Federation in the Republic of Cuba with the participation of the MGIMO Alumni Association in Cuba was organized a meeting. The event was attended by Revolution Commander H. Camacho Aguilera, General Director of the Department for Bilateral Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cuba E. Losada, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of Cuba O. Hernandez, heads of diplomatic missions in Havana, as well as representatives of other ministries and departments.

On the 4–7th of April in Moscow took place the first meeting of the Russian-German master programmes graduates. The event was jointly held by the MGIMO Alumni Association in Germany. The event was attended by Director of the Economic Department of the Embassy of Germany in the Russian Federation T. Graf and Financial Director of “Rosneft Germany” A. Kislitsyn.

On the 28th of May the MGIMO Rector A. Torkunov attended the meeting of MGIMO graduates in Belgrade at the invitation of the Serbian President A. Vucic.

On the 5th of October in Belgium took place the third meeting of MGIMO graduates from the Benelux countries. The event was attended by the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the EU, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary V. Chizhov and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Belgium A. Tokovinin.

On the 26th of October in Warsaw was held a meeting dedicated to the 75th MGIMO Anniversary and organized by the MGIMO Alumni Association in Poland. The event was attended by over 60 graduates and guests, among them: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Poland S. Andreev, Director of the Russian Center for Science and Culture in Warsaw I. Zhukovsky, the first MGIMO graduates from Poland, graduates of subsequent years and the board of the MGIMO Alumni Association in Poland.

On the 1st of November in Ulan Bator was held a meeting of MGIMO graduates from Mongolia. This meeting of one of the largest MGIMO graduates associations united more than six hundred people. The meeting was attended by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia D. Tsogtbaatar, former Head of the Presidential Administration of Mongolia, Executive Secretary B. Zorigt and President of the Alumni Association in Mongolia P. Tsagaan.

On the 7th of November in Sofia was held a meeting of MGIMO Alumni Association in Bulgaria. The event was attended by over 50 graduates.
On the 8th of November in Helsinki was held a meeting of the MGIMO Alumni Association in Finland.

On the 12th of November in Paris was held a meeting of MGIMO graduates from France.

On the 19th of November in Belgrade was held a meeting of the Serbian MGIMO Alumni Association. The meeting was dedicated to the anniversary of the club’s official foundation.

On the 29th of November Geneva hosted the 14th annual alumni meeting organized by the MGIMO Alumni Association Council in Switzerland.

On the 5th of December the Council of the Alumni Association in the Czech Republic organized a meeting for the MGIMO graduates.

On the 8th of December within the framework of the MGIMO Days in Tashkent was held a meeting of the Uzbek MGIMO Alumni Association — one of the most numerous and active clubs of the MGIMO graduates.

On the 16–17th of December at the initiative of the MGIMO Alumni Association in Kazakhstan Almaty hosted an international meeting of the MGIMO graduates. It was attended either by the graduates from the Republic of Kazakhstan, or by the graduates from Germany, Bulgaria, Hungary and other countries.

Reunions

On the 25th of January took place a traditional winter meeting of students and graduates of MBA and Executive MBA.

On the 5th of April graduates of the Institute of European Law celebrated the 15th Anniversary of the Institute, having gathered in the walls of Alma mater.

On the 7th of September a meeting of graduates of the faculty of International Economic Relations of 1989 was held at MGIMO.

On the 17th of October Moscow hosted a meeting of the graduates of 1969 of the Faculty of International Economic Relations.

On the 4th of October graduates of the Faculty of International Economic Relations of 1984 met in MGIMO in order to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of their graduation.

On the 30th of November graduates of the Faculty of International Law celebrated the 20th Anniversary of their graduation.

On the 11th of December was held a meeting of MGIMO graduates of 1992–1993.
Sports and Culture

In 2019, the Alumni Association organized a large number of events: MGIMO Ski Track, the 1\textsuperscript{st} MGIMO Universiade «Sports Generations», the 4\textsuperscript{th} MGIMO Rector Golf Cup, the 19\textsuperscript{th} MGIMO Football Rector Cup, N. Gracheva Charity Concert, the MGIMO Graduation Ceremony, the 3\textsuperscript{rd} MGIMO Art Festival, the 7\textsuperscript{th} Art Exhibition “The World Through the Eyes of the MGIMO graduates”, the 3\textsuperscript{rd} Movie Festival, performances of the MGIMO Theater Studio.

Some graduate appointments

Y. Kubish (International Economic Relations 76) has been appointed UN Special Coordinator to Lebanon.

V. Barbin (International Relations 79) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Kingdom of Denmark.

A. Gospodarev (International Economic Relations 02) was appointed Director of the Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Energy of the Russian Federation.

I. Golubovsky (International Relations 82) was appointed Director of the Human Resources Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

A. Ivanov (Master degree 00) was appointed Director of the Special Communications Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

B. Ganbold (International Relations 88) was appointed Director of UNESCAP for East and North-East Asia.

G. Desyatnikov (International Relations 89) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

A. Shvedov (International Relations 80) was appointed Permanent and Plenipotentiary Representative of the Russian Federation to the Collective Security Treaty Organization.

V. Titorenko (International Relations 81) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Central African Republic.

A. Nemeryuk (School of International Business and Business Administration 96) was appointed the Deputy Chief of staff of the Mayor and the Government of Moscow.

A. Venediktov (International Relations 01) was appointed Deputy Secretary of the Security Council of the Russian Federation.
G. Bakhtadze (International Economic Relations 01) headed the Georgian Oil and Gas Corporation LLC.

Z. Doguzova (International Journalism 08) was appointed head of the Federal Tourism Agency.

M. Murzalin (International Relations 96) was appointed Deputy Head of the Presidential Administration of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Y. Bejanyan (International Relations 78) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Costa Rica.

K.-Zh. Tokaev (International Relations 75) was elected as the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

N. Udovichenko (International Relations 84) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Kyrgyz Republic.

R. Golovchenko (International Relations 96) was appointed Chairman of the State Military-Industrial Committee of the Republic of Belarus.

O. Levin (International Law 85) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Erbil, International Relations aq.

A. Pankov (International Law 81) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Barcelona, Kingdom of Spain.

V. Razumovsky (International Journalism 80) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Guinea and the Republic of Sierra Leone concurrently.

D. Gonchar (International Relations 96) was appointed Director of the Fourth Department of the CIS Countries of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

V. Dukhin (International Relations 00 — European Studies Institute 02) was appointed Deputy Director for Information Policy of PPK “the Russian Environmental Operator”.

V. Markov (International Economic Relations 08, International Institute of Energy Policy and Diplomacy 11) was appointed a member of the Board of Directors of “RAEX-Europe”.

E. Terekhin (International Relations 81) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and Plenipotentiary Representative of the Russian Federation to the African Union in Addis Ababa, the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, concurrently.

A. Pavlovsky (International Relations 85) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Australia.

N. Popescu (International Relations 02) has been appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration in the Republic of Moldova.

Yu. Bejanyan (International Relations 78) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Costa Rica.

S. Maksimchuk (International Law 02) was appointed Head of the Department of Information and Telecommunications of the Primorsky region.

A. Ivanov (Member of the Board of Trustees of MGIMO) was appointed Head of the Odintsovo city district.
M. Golovanov (International Relations 82) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Djibouti and the Federal Republic of Somalia concurrently.

D. Ganich (International Relations 97) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

A. Izotov (International Journalism 83) was appointed Deputy Governor of the Rostov region.

M. Zhigalova-Ozkan (International Economic Relations 94) was appointed Head of the marketing, advertising and communications department of PJSC “Sberbank”.

A. Botsan-Kharchenko (International Economic Relations 79) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Serbia.

I. Gromyko (International Relations 76) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Mali.

V. Maslennikov (International Economic Relations 91) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Montenegro.

A. Yakovenko (International Relations 76) was appointed Rector of the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

E. Kazachenko (International Law 96) was appointed Operational Director of “Otkritie Broker”.

A. Novikov (International Relations 87) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal.

Y. Pilipson (International Relations 89) was appointed Director of the Fourth European Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

N. Krasilnikov (International Relations 91) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Zimbabwe and the Republic of Malawi concurrently.

I. Rogachev (International Law 84) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to South Africa.

V. Tarabrin (International Law 79) was appointed Director of the Department for New Challenges and Threats of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

V. Mikhailov (International Relations 81) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Burundi.

S. Linevich (International Relations 83) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Krakow, Republic of Poland.

G. Chepik (International Relations 91) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Congo.

I. Sagitov (International Economic Relations 86) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Hong Kong, PRC.

B. Goncharenko (International Relations 80) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the State of Brunei Darussalam.

K. Dolgov (International Relations 90) was appointed Representative of the Executive authorities of the Murmansk region in the Council of the Federation of the Russian Federation.
A. Rudenko (International Relations 85) was appointed Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

I. Arzhaev (International Relations 89) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Sydney, Australia.

A. Burawov (International Relations 86) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey.

M. Petrakov (International Relations 82) was appointed Director of the Department of the Situational and Crisis Center of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

V. Legoyda (International Journalism 96) appointed Head, ad interim, of the Patriarchal Press Service.

E. Ivanov (International Relations 95) was appointed Secretary of State — Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

A. Rudenko (International Relations 85) was appointed Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

M. Afanasyev (International Law 80) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Albania.

A. Shmanevsky (International Relations 83) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Shanghai, China.

V. Kalinin (International Law 77) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

A. Plum (International Relations 86) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Da Nang, Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

A. Sharov (School of Business and International Proficiency 14) was appointed CEO of VEB Asia.

M. Travnikov (International Law 96) was appointed Head of the Presidential Office of the Russian Federation for Civil Service and Human Resources.

A. Kelin (International Journalism 79) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the United Kingdom.

V. Kryachko (Applied Economics and Commerce 11) was appointed Head of Investment Department of PJSC “MMK”.

A. Boldyrev (International Relations 78) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to the Republic of Zambia.

R. Zainutdinov (International Relations 85) was appointed Consul General of the Russian Federation in Darkhan, Mongolia.

N. Lapytov (International Relations 83) was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Malaysia.

D. Demidov (International Economic Relations 93) was appointed Deputy General Director for Regional Development and Head of the Regional Policy Directorate of IC “MAKS”.

A. Korobkov (International Economic Relations 03) was appointed Head of “Gazpromneft-Sakhalin”.

N. Nogaev (MBA 06) was appointed Minister of Energy of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
MGIMO in Media and Online
In the year of its 75th anniversary MGIMO continued to actively expand its presence in the media space, both in Russia and abroad. According to Yandex, in 2019 the mention of the University in the Russian segment occurred about 12,000 times, more than 500 videos about MGIMO were published, almost 500 references in various interviews, and the number of photo reports about MGIMO exceeded the mark of 8,000.

MGIMO entered the Yandex top even before its anniversary — in June, a special rating of queries on "Education" was released, where the University confidently took the second place.

In October "Medialogia" company presented the regular rating of Russian universities’ media activity. Compared to last year, MGIMO added 2 points, almost 20,000 mentions, and took the 4th place in the rating. The frequency of MGIMO mentions was 49,700 — on television, radio, and in print and online media reports.

It is accountably that the most striking information occasion was the anniversary in October. Plots about MGIMO were published on October 14 on all Federal TV channels, and all news agencies, leading print and online media reported about the University. Only on the day of the official University foundation more than 100 information messages were published.

On the eve of the celebration, Rector Anatoly Torkunov was interviewed by the First Channel, «Russia 1» and «Russia 24», «Kultura», «TV Center», «MIR» TV channels, TASS and «Russia Today» news agencies, «Izvestia» media holding, «Nezavisimaya Gazeta», and «Istorik» magazine.
In 2019, the MGIMO Internet policy Center developed 16 new websites and landing pages, including the Russian and English Endowment sites, the MGIMO–Tashkent site, landing pages for agricultural attaché training programs, Faculty of management and policy programs, MBA programs for Trade and “Entrepreneurship and business management”, the MGIMO Spanish theater, new sites of the Gorchakov Lyceum and the Institute of international relations and management.

A new MGIMO website is being developed with the support of «Gazavtomatika».

The main MGIMO Russian-language portal visiting statistics in 2019 exceeded 4.3 million users, almost 2 million of them visited the site for the first time. The total number of page views was almost 13.5 million. These measures are 2 times higher than last year.

This year MGIMO has strengthened its presence in social networks. Only on Facebook, publications’ coverage on Russian and English pages exceeded the 700,000 mark. Accounts in «VKontakte» and Instagram remain the most active in terms of subscriber growth — the visual content on Instagram is followed by almost 18,000 users, and the audience of the MGIMO Vkontakte community is already 35,000 subscribers. The MGIMO Alumni Association and Endowment are most active in social media, with the Faculty of management and politics, the Faculty of international economic relations, and the Faculty of applied Economics and Commerce.
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