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In September 2016, the Arctic Council celebrated the 20th Anniversary. Since the initiative emerged to connect the Arctic States by engaging them in addressing common challenges, the forum has come a long way. The framework for cooperation and the commitment to jointly protect and develop the Arctic enshrined in the 1996 Ottawa Declaration have ensured regular and competent discussion of the Arctic issues. The Arctic states have shown a high level of consensus work notwithstanding their different approaches to development of the region and to protection of their national interests in the Arctic. Deep understanding of the climate challenges and the fragility of the Far North ecosystems, as well as the opportunities for national development have shaped the special spirit of cooperation in the region.

In the early XXI century, the Arctic agenda became a promising field of research and development not only for the Arctic states. The number of the Arctic Council observer countries increased most extensively in 2013. China, India, the Republic of Korea, Japan, and Singapore became observers together with the European countries. This change did not affect the existing principles and priorities of the Arctic Council. However, for researchers of international cooperation in the Arctic a few questions remain concerning the transformation of the forum into an international organisation, as well as the extension of the list of issues discussed by the members of the Arctic Council.

The strengthening of the legal framework for cooperation has been a major achievement of the Arctic Council over the past years. The interest in the development of the Arctic has stimulated the national legislation. Today a distinct field of the Arctic law is emerging.

Ambitious plans still emerge regarding the development of the Arctic and the use of its capacities. Those involve transport and logistics projects, use of mineral resources and raw materials in the region, and fishing stock. Given the unique features of the Arctic, sustainable development in the region requires an integrated approach. Determining its parameters is an important strategic goal for the years ahead.

On 12–13 October 2016, Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC) holds the Conference titled “International Cooperation in the Arctic: New Challenges and Vectors of Development”. The event is timed to the 20th Anniversary of the Arctic Council and continues the detailed study of the international aspects of cooperation in the Arctic region which RIAC began in 2011. The objective of the conference is to determine the outlines of the institutional development of the Arctic Council, the prospects for legal regulation of activities in the Arctic, as well as the potential of economic projects in the region and of cooperation with non-regional players. Heads of ministries and agencies, diplomats, representatives of business, and leading experts of the Arctic Council member states are invited to take part in the discussion.

The Conference is held with the support of the Executive Office of the Government of Russia and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia.

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Plenary Sessions

13 October (Thursday), 09:30–19:00

Venue: Moscow, Lotte Hotel Moscow, 8 bld. 2 Novinsky Blvd., Moscow

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

08:30-09:30 Registration

09:30-10:00 Welcoming Remarks

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

Igor IVANOV, President of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC), Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia (1998–2004), Corresponding Member of RAS

Dmitry ROGOZIN, Deputy Prime Minister of Russia, Chairman of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

10:00–11:00 Opening

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

Welcoming Address from Sergey LAVROV, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of RIAC

Sergey IVANOV, Special Representative of the President of Russia for Environmental Protection, Ecology and Transport

Artur CHILINGAROV, Special Representative of the President of Russia for International Cooperation in the Arctic and Antarctic, Chairman of the Scientific Expert Council of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia, Member of the State Duma of Russia, Corresponding Member of RAS, Member of RIAC

John Francis TEFFT, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the USA to Russia

Mikko HAUTALA, Ambassador of Finland to Russia

Frederik PAULSEN, Chairman of Ferring Pharmaceuticals, Honorary Member of the Association of Polar Explorers of Russia, Founder of The

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-13:30

Plenary Session “Role of the Arctic Council in Ensuring Peace, Cooperation and Sustainable Development in the Arctic”

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

- *The place and the role of the Arctic Council in the international and regional relations. Its correlation with other regional initiatives*
- *Common interests as the basis for stable relations between the Arctic states. The future of the Arctic Council: basic principles, structure, and areas of responsibility*
- *National priorities of the Arctic states in the region and the effect of global context on the activities of the Arctic Council*
- *The Arctic Council: defining institutional problems, suggesting possible solutions, identifying capabilities to address development issues in the region*
- *The role of the Arctic Council in responding to development challenges in the region*

Moderator:

Marina KALININA, Vice President for Interregional Cooperation at the University of the Arctic, Advisor to the Rector for International Cooperation at the Northern (Arctic) Federal University

Speakers:

Magnus JÓHANNESSON, Director of the Secretariat of the Arctic Council

Vladimir BARBIN, Senior Arctic Official of Russia at the Arctic Council, Ambassador-at-Large of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia

Anniken Ramberg KRUTNES, Senior Arctic Official of Norway at the Arctic Council, Ambassador for Arctic Affairs of Norway

Arni Thor SIGURDSSON, Senior Arctic Official of Iceland at the Arctic Council, Ambassador of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Iceland

David BENTON, Commissioner on the United States Arctic Research Commission

Torsten Kjølby NIELSEN, Deputy Director of the Arctic and North America Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

Stephane JOBIN, Deputy Head of Mission, Minister-Counselor of the Embassy of Canada to Russia

Evgeny AMBROSOV, Vice Chair of the Arctic Economic Council, Senior Executive Vice President of Sovcomflot, Member of the Business Council of State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

Mikhail NIKOLAEV, State Advisor of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia), President of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia) (1991–2002)

Alexander PELYASOV, Director of the Centre for the Northern and Arctic

Economies at the Council for the Study of Productive Forces

Paul BERKMAN, Professor of the Tufts University, Director of the Arctic Futures Initiative at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

Andrei ZAGORSKI, Head of the Department of Disarmament and Conflict Resolution of the Centre for International Security at the Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations of RAS, Member of RIAC

13:30-14:15

Lunch

14:15-16:00

Plenary Session “Legal Regulation of Activities in the Arctic Region: Old Issues and New Solutions”

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

- *Sovereignty, sovereign rights and jurisdiction of the Arctic states in the Arctic Ocean. Effect of global initiatives on the regional (Arctic) agreements*
- *Legal aspects of exploration and exploitation of mineral resources on the Arctic shelf: protection of national interests and opportunities for international cooperation*
- *The opportunities for using the Northern Sea Route and the Northwest Passage for the development of transit in the Arctic Ocean. Navigation through the Bering Strait. Issues of coast guard and safe marine navigation*
- *Regulation of marine navigation by the Arctic states and prospects for implementation of the International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (Polar Code)*
- *Environmental legislation of the Arctic states and issues of fish stock exploration and conservation in the Central Arctic Ocean*

Moderator:

Evgeny VORONIN, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Russia, Professor of the Department of International Law at MGIMO University

Speakers:

Hannele POKKA, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of the Environment of Finland

Vitaly KLIUEV, Director of the Department of State Policy for Maritime and River Transport of the Ministry of Transport of Russia

Viktor GUBAREV, Deputy Chairman of the State Assembly (Il Tumen) of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia)

Scott HIGHLEYMAN, International Arctic Director at the Pew Charitable Trusts

Vyacheslav RUKSHA, Director General of Atomflot

Vladimir MEDNIKOV, President of the Russian Association of International Maritime Law

Alexander VYLEGZHANIN, Head of the Department of International Law at MGIMO University, Vice President of the Russian Association of International Maritime Law

16:00–16:30

Coffee Break

16:30–18:30

Plenary Session “Economic Potential of the Arctic Territories and Projects for Their Development”

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

- *Approaches of the Arctic states to running economic projects in the Northern territories*
- *Hydrocarbons production on the Arctic shelf: reserves, cost efficiency, and markets*
- *The threat of overfishing in the Central Arctic Ocean*
- *Cross-regional cooperation in the Arctic*

Moderator:

Andrey KRIVOROTOV, Head of the Department of Corporate Relations of Shtokman Development AG

Speakers:

Roman SKORY, Deputy Head of the Federal Agency for Tourism of Russia

Timo RAUTAJOKI, President and CEO of Lapland Chamber of Commerce

Dmitry FISHKIN, Deputy Director of the Department of Development of Interregional and Cross-Border Cooperation of the Ministry of Economic Development of Russia

Vasily BOGOYAVLENSKY, Deputy Director of the Institute of Oil and Gas Problems of RAS, Corresponding Member of RAS

Vyacheslav ZILANOV, Chairman of the Northern Coordination Council of Fishery Associations, Unions and Enterprises of the Northern Basin

Yury ZAKHARINSKY, Deputy Head of the Government of Krasnoyarsky Kray

Vladimir BAGREEV, Advisor to the Norwegian-Russian Chamber of Commerce in Russia

Valery CHICHKANOV, Deputy Chairman of the Council for the Study of Productive Forces

Kirill ZHIVIKHIN, Head of the Project Management Department at REKOD

18:30–19:00

Closing Remarks

Venue: Crystal Hall, Lotte Hotel Moscow

Vladimir BARBIN, Senior Arctic Official of Russia, Ambassador-at-Large of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia

Igor IVANOV, President of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC), Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia (1998–2004), Corresponding Member of RAS

19:00–20:00

Cocktail

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Expert Sessions

October 12 (Wednesday), 09:30–19:00

Venue:

Moscow, President Hotel, 24 Bolshaya Yakimanka St.

08:30–09:30 Registration

09:30-11:30

Expert Session “New Players in the Arctic: Challenges and Opportunities for International Cooperation”

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

Venue: Green Hall, President Hotel

Moderator:

Andrey KORTUNOV, Director General of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC)

Speakers:

- *Singapore’s Interests in the Arctic*

Kheng Hua LIM, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Singapore to Russia

- *Climate in the Arctic and Navigation through the Northern Sea Route: Prospects and Risks of Non-Regional States’ Use*

Gennady MATISHOV, Director of the Murmansk Marine Biological Institute at the Kola Science Centre of RAS, Chairman of the Southern Scientific Centre of RAS, Member of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

- *States of the “New North” Region and the EU: Arctic Ambitions*

Natalia MARKUSHINA, Professor of the Department of World Politics of the School of International Relations at St. Petersburg State University

- *Comparative Studies on the EU and China’s Roles in Arctic International Cooperation*

GUO Peiqing, Executive Director of Institute of Polar Law and Policy at the Ocean University of China

- *Silk Road Arctic Belt*

Vladimir REMYGA, Director General of the Silk Road Economic Belt

Coordination Centre

- *Japan's Policy in the Arctic*

Fujio OHNISHI, Associate Professor at the College of International Relations at Nihon University

- *Japan's Policy in the Arctic Region*

Dmitry STRELTSOV, Head of the Department of Oriental Studies at MGIMO University

- *China's Participation in the Arctic Governance*

Huang DING, Director of the School of Political Science and Public Administration at Wuhan University

- *"New Actors" in the Arctic Council. Motivation for Participation and Participation Dilemma: China's Example*

Vladimir PETROVSKY, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Far Eastern Studies of RAS

- *Asian Countries in the Arctic Council: Prospects for Cooperation*

Valery ZHURAVEL, Leading Research Fellow of the Centre of Northern Europe at the Institute of Europe of RAS, Member of the Scientific Expert Council of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

- *Arctic Policy of the Republic of Korea and Challenges for Russia*

En Un KIM, Leading Research Fellow of the Institute of Far Eastern Studies of RAS

- *China's Policy in the Arctic and Russian-Chinese Cooperation in the Region*

Zengjun KUANG, Professor of the China Institute of Boundary and Ocean Studies at Wuhan University

- *Asian Countries' Interests and Role in Shaping the Future International Legal Regime of the Arctic Region*

Nadezhda FILIMONOVA, Assistant to Vice Rector for Development of the Russian State Hydrometeorological University

- *Prospects for Cooperation of the BRICS Countries in the Arctic*

Maria LAGUTINA, Associate Professor of the Department of World Politics at the School of International Relations of St. Petersburg State University

- *The Seventh Chinese Arctic Expedition 2016*

Leizhao WU, Principal Staff Member of the Chinese Arctic and Antarctic Administration

- *Activities of Sub-Regional Organizations in the Arctic: Infrastructure Development of the Region*

Natalia MIKHEEVA, Associated Professor of the Department of Regional Policy and Political Geography of the Institute of Earth Sciences at St. Petersburg State University

- *Arctic Shelf Oil and Gas Resources against the Background of Competition*

Maria MORGUNOVA, Junior Research Fellow of the Joint Institute of High Temperatures of RAS, Postgraduate Student of the Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas

11:30-12:00

Coffee Break

12:00-14:00

Expert Session “Governing the Bering Strait”

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

Venue: Blue Hall, President Hotel

Moderators:

Andrey ZAGORSKY, Head of the Department of Disarmament and Conflict Resolution of the Centre for International Security at the Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations of RAS, Member of RIAC

Olga ROMANENKO, Science and Policy Officer of the International Arctic Programme at the Pew Charitable Trusts

Speakers:

- *Cooperating to Reduce Uncertainty in the Bering Strait*

Henry HUNTINGTON, Senior Officer of the International Arctic Program at the Pew Charitable Trusts

- *Optimal Mode of Introducing Navigation Regulations in the Bering Strait. Advantages and Disadvantages of Possible Unilateral and Joint Measures by Russia and the US*

Andrew HARTSIG, Director of the Arctic Programme at Ocean Conservancy

- *Responding to Increasing Maritime Traffic in the Bering Strait*

Paul BERKMAN, Professor of the Tufts University, Director of the Arctic Futures Initiative at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

- *Cooperation in the Bering Strait amid New Security Threats in the Arctic*

Pavel GUDEV, Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for North American Studies at the Primakov Institute of World Economy and International Relations of RAS

- *Ecological Risks of Shipping: A Case of the Bering Strait*

Ekaterina KHMELEVA, Head of the Environmental Law Program at the World Wildlife Fund Russia

12:00-14:00

Expert Session “Development of New Projects in the Arctic: Interests of Indigenous Peoples and Inhabitants of the North, Ecology, and Infrastructure”

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

Venue: Green Hall, President Hotel

Moderator:

Maxim KUCHINSKY, Research Fellow at Kola Science Centre of RAS

Speakers:

- *The Indigenous Peoples’ Participation in the Arctic Council Projects*

Anders OSKAL, Executive Director of the International Centre for Reindeer

Husbandry (Norway)

- *International Cooperation among the Deer-Herding Peoples of the World amid the Global Changes in the Arctic*

Mikhail POGODAEV, Executive Chair of the Association of World Reindeer Herders

- *Living Conditions of the Arctic Indigenous Peoples*

Igor SHPEKTOR, Chairman of the Commission on the Development of Social Infrastructure, Local Government and Housing and Communal Services under the Civic Chamber of Russia, President of the Alliance of Cities of the Arctic and the High North

- *Indigenous Peoples of the Shore Regions of the Arctic Zone of the European Part of Russia: Population under Extinction or a Resource for the Russian Arctic Policy?*

Andrey PODOPLEKIN, Head of the Laboratory for the Northern Sea Route and Coastal Areas Development at the Federal Centre for Integrated Arctic Research of RAS

- *New Functions of the Arctic Indigenous Peoples' Traditional Territories of Nature Use in the Context of the Economic Development of the Arctic Zone of Russia*

Tatiana KRASOVSKAYA, Expert of the Russian Geographical Society, Professor of the Department of World Physical Geography and Geoecology at the Moscow State University

- *Systemic Investment Projects for the Establishment of the Northern-Yakutian Development Zone for Socio-Economic Advancement of the Arctic Zone of Russia*

Gennady ALEXEEV, Director General of the Development Corporation of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia)

- *Creating Development Zones as a New Impetus for Russian Arctic*

Olga SMIRNOVA, Head of the Department for Macroeconomic Forecasting, Strategic Planning and Spatial Development at the Council for the Study of Productive Forces

- *Legal Regulation of the Development of the Arctic Zone of Russia: Problems and Prospects*

Natalia KHLUDENEVA, Leading Research Fellow of the Department of Ecological Law at the Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law under the Government of Russia

- *Legal Problems of the Restoration of Disturbed Territories in the Arctic Zone of Russia*

Alexander SOLNTSEV, Deputy Head of the Department of International Law of the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia

Alyona KOLODOVA, Senior Research Fellow at St. Petersburg Scientific Research Centre for Ecological Safety of RAS

- *Reparation of Damage in the Arctic Zone of Russia: Reality, Legal Issues and Prospects*

Inna IGNATIEVA, Professor of the Department of Environmental and Land Law of the Law Faculty at the Lomonosov Moscow State University

- *Development of Oil and Gas Projects in the Arctic as an Impulse for the Development of the Northern Regions of Russia*

Sergey SMIRNOV, Director of the Sozvezdye Association of Oil and Gas Industry Suppliers, Member of the Business Council of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

- *Arctic Oil and Gas Resources Development: Current Situation and Prospects*

Ivan PANICHKIN, Lecturer of the International Institute of Energy Policy and Diplomacy at MGIMO University

- *Ecological Aspects of the LNG Projects in the Arctic*

Alexey KNIZHNIKOV, Head of the Extractive Industry Environmental Policy Programme at the World Wildlife Fund Russia

- *Gas-Fuel Technologies Use for Better Ecology, Reduction of Air and Other Transportation Fees and an Increase of Transport Accessibility for the Arctic Inhabitants and Arctic Businesses*

Vyacheslav ZAITSEV, Director General of INTERAVIAGAS

- *Prospects of Long-Term Storing of Food and Manufactured Goods and Petrol, Oil and Lubricants in the Permafrost at the Taymyr Peninsula*

Sergey ULANIN, Director of the Storage Research Institute under the Federal Agency for State Reserves of Russia

- *Automobile Accessibility of the Russian Arctic Region as a Priority of Socio-Economic Development*

Natalia TAGIEVA, Member of the International Academy of Transport (IAT), Academic Secretary of the IAT Expert Council, Associate Professor at the Moscow Automobile and Road Construction State Technical University

Vladimir ONEGIN, Member of the International Academy of Transport

14:00-15:00

Break

15:00-17:00

Expert Session “Multilateral Cooperation in the Arctic Education and Science”

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

Venue: Green Hall, President Hotel

Moderator:

Timur MAKHMUTOV, Deputy Director of Programmes of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC)

Speakers:

- *Scientific and Educational Space of the Arctic 20 years later: Points of Growth and New Horizons*

Elena KUDRYASHOVA, Rector of the Northern (Arctic) Federal University, Member of RIAC

- *International Cooperation in the Arctic Environmental Research*

Alexander KLEPIKOV, Deputy Director of the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute

- *Cooperation among the Russian and Norwegian Scientific Organizations for the Safe Development of the Western Arctic Resource Potential*

Anatoly VINOGRADOV, Academic Secretary General of Kola Science Centre of RAS, Director of the Kola Branch of the RAS Joint Geophysical

Service

- *Soviet/Russian and Foreign Experience of Applied Scientific Research of the Arctic Development Issues: Socio-Humanistic Vector*

Alexey TOMTOSOV, Vice Rector for Interaction with Federal Structures of the North-Eastern Federal University

- *Seismic Subglacial Prospecting Technology as the Basis for Successful Research in the High-Latitude Sections of the Arctic Basin*

Gennady KAZANIN, Director General of the Marine Arctic Geological Expedition, Member of the Scientific Expert Council, Member of the Business Council of the State Commission for Arctic Development of Russia

- *Arctic Scientific Diplomacy 2.0 amid Global Instability: Russian Perspective*

Anatoly SMIRNOV, President of the National Institute for Research of Global Security, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Russia, Professor at MGIMO University

- *Network Cooperation Instruments and the Role of Universities in the Arctic Regional Cooperation*

Marina KALININA, Vice President for Interregional Cooperation at the University of the Arctic, Advisor to the Rector for International Cooperation at the Northern (Arctic) Federal University

- *Preparing Management Teams for the Arctic. Experience and Vectors of Development*

Sergey SCHENNIKOV, Rector of International Institute of Management LINK

- *Non-Profit Organization as a Platform for Cooperation between Scientific and Local Communities on the Northern Territories Sustainable Development*

Igor SHEVCHUK, Director of the Centre for the North, Arctic and Border Cooperation Research under the Karelian Research Centre of RAS

- *Preparing Future Experts and Conducting Research for the Arctic Development*

Valery GURTOV, Director of the Budget Monitoring Centre at Petrozavodsk State University

- *Educating Specialists in Transportation for the Arctic*

Alexander VYLITOK, Head of the Department of the Transport Construction in Extreme Conditions at the Moscow State University of Railway Engineering

- *The Arctic as a Heritage Region: the Need for International Cooperation*

Yury MAZUROV, Professor of the Faculty of Geography at Moscow State University

- *The Role and Place of the SAON Arctic Council Project in Forming the Regional Innovative Arctic System*

Nadezhda KHARLAMPIEVA, Associate Professor of the Department of World Politics at the School of International Relations of St. Petersburg State University

- *Educational Programmes for Future Arctic Specialists at St Petersburg State University and Issues of International Scientific and Educational Cooperation*

Kirill CHISTYAKOV, Director of the Institute of Earth Sciences at St. Petersburg State University

- *Arctic Student Forum*

Sergey KATIKOV, Advisor on International Politics to the President of the Russian Geographical Society

- *Norwegian Experience of International Cooperation in Education and Science in the Arctic*

Alexander SABUROV, Leading Expert on the Arctic Development of the Northern (Arctic) Federal University

- *Arctic Priorities of the Scientific and Educational Strategy of St. Petersburg*

Valery MITKO, President of the St. Petersburg Arctic Public Academy of Sciences

17:00-17:30

Coffee Break

17:30-19:00

Expert Session “The Role of the Mass Media in Covering Arctic-Related Issues”

Working languages: Russian, English (simultaneous interpreting)

Venue: Green Hall, President Hotel

Moderator:

Nikolay MARKOTKIN, Media and Government Relations Manager of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC)

Speakers:

- *The Arctic: a Region for Further Peaceful International Cooperation or a Future Conflict Arena?*

Vladimir KOTLYAR, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Russia, Member of the Council of the International Law under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia

- *Specifics of the Coverage of Arctic Issues in the Leading Media of the Biggest Arctic Coastal States (Russia, US, Canada)*

Sergey ROGOV, Deputy Head of the TASS Research Centre

- *Arctic Issues in the Russian Media: Content Analysis of Publications in the Russian Media in 2016*

Inna KABANOVA, Editor-in-Chief of the Information Agency “Arctic-Info”

- *Websites as an Instrument for Communication with the Stakeholders in the Arctic*

Stanislav DIMUKHAMEDOV, Publisher of Pro-Arctic

- *Internet as a Source of Up-to-Date Information for the Assessment of the Arctic Regions’ Socio-Economic Development*

Elena YUSHKOVA, Project Head at the Department of Macroeconomic Policy and Cluster Analysis at Vnesheconombank

- *Websites of Non-Governmental Organizations – Members and Observers of the Arctic Council as a Source of Up-to-Date Information and*

Determining Agenda

Elena STETSKO, Associate Professor of the Department of World Politics at the School of International Relations of St. Petersburg State University

- *Combating Stereotypes Through Information. The Case of the Arctic.ru Website*

Maria MALINOVSKAYA, Executive editor of Rossiya Segodnya international news agency

- *Problems of Arctic Region in Mass Media: Environment in the Shadow of Geopolitics*

Pavel KOSHKIN, Editor-in-Chief of Russia Direct