

## The problems of socio-economic development of regions of Russia and China



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From 28 to 30 September 2011 the problems of social and economic development of regions were being discussed in the Vologda Oblast within the IV Russian-Chinese forum on social sciences.

The main organizers of the event were the Russian Academy of Sciences and Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), the forum was held on the basis of Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS and the Vologda Branch of Saint Petersburg State University of Engineering and Economics, with the support of the Government of the Vologda Oblast.

The event has become an integral part of the VI International Conference on “Strategy and tactics of implementation of economic reforms: a regional aspect”.

The program included three working sessions, visits to research and educational institutions (ISEDT RAS, the Vologda Branch of Saint Petersburg State University of Engineering and Economics, Cherepovets State University), visits to objects of industrial (OJSC “Severstal Tyazhmash”, industrial park “Sheksna”), and cultural spheres.

Within the **Session 1 “Urgent tasks of social and economic reforms in Russia and China”** the following problems were being considered: the problem of the influence of the global crisis on political thought in the context of the dialogue

among civilizations (*speaker – Adviser of RAS, Honorary Director of Institute of International Economic and Political Studies of RAS, Academician O.V. Bogomolov*); tasks and direction of changes of ways of China’s economic development (*Deputy Academician – Assistant Editor of Economic Department of CASS, academician Lu Zheng*); the problems of formation and implementation of the spatial strategy of innovative development of Russia (*Head of the Center of the Economics of Federal Relations of Institute of Economics of RAS, Doctor of Economics, Professor S.D. Valentey*); territorial features and problems of socioeconomic modernization of Russia (*Director of Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS, Doctor of Economics, Professor V.A. Ilyin*), the problems of reforming of the institutional arrangements and transformation of the model of China’s Development (*Head of the Department of Macroeconomics of Institute of Economics of CASS, Professor Zhang Syaotszin*); problems and prospects of flax complex’s development of the Vologda Oblast (*Head of the Department of Industry, Science and Innovation Policy of the Government of the Vologda Oblast, Ph.D. in Economics A.V. Maklahov*); problems and prospects of development of Russian machine-building enterprise – “Vologda optical-and-mechanical plant” (*Technical Director of OJSC “VOMP” A.N. Dmitriev*).

**Session 2 “Sustainable development of socio-economic and social systems”** was held at one of the leading universities of the Vologda oblast – Cherepovets State University. There were being discussed: theoretical and practical questions of reducing of climate risks of economic development (*Head of the Laboratory of analysis and forecasting of natural and technological risks of the economy of Institute of National Economic Forecasting of RAS, Doctor of Economics, Professor B.N. Porfiriev*); problems of investment for sustainable economic growth of the city on example of the large industrial center – Cherepovets (*Head of the Department of Economics of Cherepovets State University, Ph.D. in Economics, Professor Z.M. Magrupova, Associate Professor of Economic Department of ChSU, Ph.D. in Economics V.S. Vasiltsov*), new purposes of Jiangxi Province’s development on example of organization of Economic zone of Lake Poyang (*the president of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences of Jiangxi Province, professor Wang Yuytsi*); ways of solution of the ecology-economic problems of an industrial city (*Associate professor of Economy Department of ChSUG.S. Dresvyannikova*); the social factors of sustainable development of area and the possibilities of administrative influence on it (*Head of Department of researching of level and way of population life of Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS, Ph.D. in Economics A.A. Shabunova*); perception of the future of city and region through the eyes of young people (*Head of Sociology Department of Humanities Institute ChSU, Ph.D. in Philosophy A.A. Mehova*).

**Session 3 “Directions of Increasing Efficiency and Quality Growth of Real Sector of Economy. Problems and prospects of Russian-Chinese cooperation”** was dedicated to discussing such questions as the trend towards the restructuring and development of Chinese industrial during the Twelfth Five-Year Plan (*Head of Department of management by enterprises of the Institute of Industrial Economics CASS,*

*Professor Wang Qin*); investment development of the Vologda oblast and measures of its state Support (*Head of Investment Policy Department of the Government of the Vologda oblast R.B. Markov*); problems of accelerated growing and development of new strategic branches of industry (*Deputy Director of the Institute of Mathematical and Technical Economics of CASS Qi Jianguo*); the threat to economic security of the regions in terms of globalization (*Deputy Director, Head of the department of problems of socio-economical development and management of territorial systems of Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS, Doctor of Economics, Professor T.V. Uskova*); innovative horizons for the Technical University’s development (*Head of Department of finance and credit of the Vologda State Technical University, Doctor of Economics, Professor E.S. Gubanova*); institutional legal mechanisms of amplification of Trade and Economic relations between China and Russia (*Deputy Director of the Center of Documentation and Information of CASS professor Zhang Shuhua*); positive and negative factors of Russian-Chinese Regional cooperation (*Head of the Department of Economics of the Institute of Russia, East Europe and Central Asia of CASS Professor Cheng Iczyun*).

The past three days have been productive in terms of generating of new scientific ideas; develop practice recommendations and also expanding scientific ties between institutions of the two Academies.

On the one hand, it was a success in demonstration of production, cultural and historical, scientific and educational potential of Vologda oblast to Chinese guests, and it may serve as an additional incentive for extensions of regional cooperation with China.

On the other hand, the Russian participants were able to, as they say, “from first-hand” to study the experience of China’s reforms, the actual problems and objectives of one of the most dynamic economies in contemporary international peace.

For Institute for social and economic development of territories, RAS the conference has opened a new stage of relations with the Chinese colleagues. The signing of a protocol of intent between Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS and Academy of Social Sciences, Jiangxi Province of China became an important moment.

We hope that the implementation of the agreements reached will become a step in the development of productive international cooperation in Scientific-Innovation and educa-

tional spheres not only for ISEDT RAS, but for the region as a whole.

A letter of thanks from Academician-Assistant Editor of Social Sciences Department of RAS, Academician A.A. Kokoshin to Director of Institute of Socio-Economic Development of Territories of RAS, Doctor of Economics, Professor V.A. Ilyin had become the recognition of the event's high level.

As the result of the conference the publication of compilation is planed, it will help to study the content of participants' reports in details.