



Government of the Kaliningrad region
Russian Federation



VII International Forum of the Kaliningrad Partner Regions

**6-8 June, 2017
Kaliningrad**



6 JUNE, 2017

Arrival of participants

7 JUNE, 2017

- 9.30-10.00 Registration
Welcome coffee
- 10.00 **Official opening of the Forum**
- 10.00-10.15 Welcoming speech by the Interim Governor of the Kaliningrad region
Anton Alikhanov
- 10.15-10.55 Welcoming speeches by the Forum participants
Alexander Tsybulskiy, Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation
Vygaudas Ušackas, European Union Ambassador to the Russian Federation, and Ambassadors of the European Union Member States
Welcome speeches by the Heads of Kaliningrad Region partners
- 11.00-11.55 **Plenary session**
- Rafael Abramyan, Director of the International Relations, International and Cross-border Cooperation Department, Ministry of the Economic Development of the Russian Federation**
“Cross-border cooperation programs as an additional instrument for the regional development”
Andrey Ermak, Acting Minister for culture and tourism of the Kaliningrad region
“Cultural events and tourism as incentives for the Kaliningrad Region development”
Yuri Shitikov, Acting Minister of nature resources and ecology of the Kaliningrad Region
“Ecologically balanced environment is the basis for the regional development”



- 11.55-12.10 **Signing ceremony of the Cooperation Agreement between Kaliningrad Region and Kostroma Region**
- 12.10-12.25 **Brief presentation of the round table topics for discussion**
“Practical aspects of regional cooperation”
“International best practices exchange on innovative service development for Internet of things”
“Interregional cooperation in environmental sector”
- 12.25-12.40 **Press conference of the Interim Governor of the Kaliningrad region**
Anton Alikhanov
- 12.25-14.00 Lunch – break
- 14.00-15.00 **Inauguration of the water treatment plant of the City of Kaliningrad**
(the participation is by special invitation)
- 14.00-16.30 **Events in parallel:**
- 14.00-16.30 **Round table №1**
“Practical aspects of cross-border cooperation”
Moderators
Rafael Abramyan, Director of the International Relations, International and Cross-border Cooperation Department, Ministry of the Economic Development of the Russian Federation
Alla Ivanova, Acting Minister – Head of the Agency for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation
- The round table is traditionally organized at the Forum of Partner Regions of the Kaliningrad region. It provides the possibility for wide public to discuss different topics of interregional and international cooperation, the experience gained and outputs of regional and municipal collaboration, launch new initiatives and plan new activities*
- 14.00-16.30 **Round table №2**
“International best practices exchange on innovative service development for Internet of things”
Moderators



Sergey Evstigneev, Head (director) of the Agency for mass communication development of the Kaliningrad region
Christian J. Pereira, member of board of directors, Qloud GmbH (Germany)

International best practices exchange in sphere of Internet of things and cloud technologies is an important step for innovative well-developed business formation. Senior executives of the largest innovative companies from Germany and Russia will discuss the tasks of IT solutions search for real challenges business face today, as well as the development of cloud platforms for cost-cutting decisions to be introduced by enterprises.

14.00-16.30 **Round table №3**
“Ecologically balanced environment is the basis for the regional development”

Moderators

Yuri Shitikov, Acting Minister of nature resources and ecology of the Kaliningrad Region
Representative of International Financial Institution *The Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO)*

Interregional and international cooperation in sphere of environmental protection is the efficient mechanism for solving a number of regional tasks and subregional problems in this area. The experts in green economy, ecology, representatives of scientific and learning institutions, NGOs will discuss the modern trends of ecological protection, directions for further collaboration and formulate concrete projects.

19.00 **Official reception on behalf of the Interim Governor of Kaliningrad Region Anton Alikhanov**

8 JUNE, 2017

08.30-13.00 **Outdoor session**

Departure of participants