



## VII BRICS ACADEMIC FORUM

### BRICS: COOPERATION FOR GROWTH, SECURITY AND PROSPERITY

Moscow, May 21-23, 2015



National Committee on BRICS Research

### Program

#### May 20, 2015

**Full day** Arrival of delegates, transfer to the hotel (Four Seasons Hotel Moscow/The Ritz-Carlton Moscow)

#### May 21, 2015

**Full day** Arrival of delegates, transfer to the hotel (Four Seasons Hotel Moscow/The Ritz-Carlton Moscow)

**10:00 – 15:00** Heads of delegations meeting  
**12:00** Lunch reception

**Foreign Ministry  
Mansion**

**16:00** Press conference at “Russia today”

**“Russia today”**

**After 18:00** Time reserved for Embassy activities

#### May 22, 2015

**9:30 – 10:00** Registration of participants, Four Seasons Hotel Moscow, Okhotny Ryad, 2, Central entrance

**Registration**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

**Four Seasons Hotel**

**9:50** Group foto

**Dolgoruky Hall**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

**10:00 – 10:45**

**Tchaikovsky Hall**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

#### **Grand Opening:**

*Sergey Lavrov*, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation  
*Vyacheslav Nikonov*, Chairman of the Board of the Russkiy Mir Foundation, Chairman of the State Duma Committee on Education, Chairman of the Board of the Russian National Committee on BRICS Research

*Sergei Ryabkov*, Deputy Foreign Minister of the Russian Federation, Sherpa of the Russian Federation to BRICS

*Segrey Glaziev*, Advisor to the President of the Russian Federation

**10:45 – 12:15**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Plenary session: Building a Fair World Order  
(Rule Of Law, Role Of International Institutions, Multipolarity, Sovereign Equality)

Chair: *Vyacheslav Nikonov* Chairman of the Board of the Russkiy Mir Foundation, Chairman of the State Duma Committee on Education, Chairman of the Board of the Russian National Committee on BRICS Research

Speakers: each of BRICS countries' representatives (10 minutes)

Speakers:

Konstantin Kosachev (Russia)  
Narnia Bohler Muller (South Africa)  
Zhou Yuyun (China)  
Renato Baumann (Brazil)  
HHS Viswanathan (India)  
Alexey Pushkov (Russia)

**12:15 – 12:30**

Coffee break

**12:30 – 14:00**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Break-out sessions:

1.1. Reform of the International Financial System and Future of the BRICS-Born Institutions

Chair: *Zou Lixing (China)*

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Ronney Ncwadi (South Africa)  
Zou Lixing (China)  
Oliver Stuenkel (Brazil)  
Leonid Grigoryev (Russia)  
Akshay Mathur (India)

**Dolgoruky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

1.2. Social Problems and Quality of Life – Possible Issues For BRICS Cooperation

(Policies On The Labour Market, Migration, Healthcare, Social Safety Nets Etc)

Chair: *Olive Shisana (South Africa)*

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Ari Sitas (South Africa)  
Ren Yuan (China)  
Tamara Gregol (Brazil)  
Marina Larionova (Russia)  
Harsh Sethi (India)

**14:00 – 15:00**

Lunch

**14:30 – 15:15**  
**The State Duma of**  
**the Federal**  
**Assembly of the**  
**Russian Federation**

Meeting with *First Deputy Speaker of the State Duma Alexander Zhukov* (Heads of delegations)

**15:00 – 16:30**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Break-out sessions:

2.1. Trade: Integrity of the Rules-Based Trade Regime and BRICS Role  
(Central Role Of WTO, Possibilities Of Creation Of A BRICS-Wide Market, Cooperation Within WTO, G-20 And Regional Economic Structures)

Chair: **Andre Mello (Brazil)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Nikki Cattaneo (South Africa)

Zhao Zhongxiu (China)

Renato Flores (Brazil)

Elena Rogatnykh (Russia)

Sachin Chaturvedi (India)

**Dolgoruky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

2.2. ICT and Internet Governance: BRICS as a Collective Leader

Chair: **Samir Saran (India)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Rasigan Maharajh (South Africa)

Guo Feng (China)

Oleg Demidov (Russia)

Nitin Pai (India)

**16:30 – 16:45**

Coffee break

**16:45 – 18:15**

Break-out sessions:

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

3.1. New Drivers of BRICS Economic Cooperation

(Strategy Of Economic Partnership, Roadmap Of Investment Cooperation, Opening Up New Tracks Of Cooperation In Mining, Energy, Industry, Agriculture , Innovation)

Chair: **Zhao Zhongxiu (China)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Seeraj Mohamed (South Africa)

Sun Jinying (China)

Renato Baumann (Brazil)

Ruslan Grinberg (Russia)

Vivan Sharan (India)

**Dolgoruky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

3.2. Sustainable Inclusive Development –Need for a BRICS-developed Paradigm

(Green Economy, Climate Change, Cooperation on Environmental Issues)

Chair: **Leonid Grigoryev (Russia)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow

Speakers:

Jaya Josie (South Africa)

Tian Huifang (China)

Renato Flores (Brazil)

Victoria Panova (Russia)

Samir Saran (India)

**19:00**

Reception

**Restaurant «Bistro»**  
**2nd Floor**  
**Four Seasons Hotel**

**May 23, 2015**

**9:30 – 11:00**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Break-out sessions:

4.1. Peace and Security: Responsibility for BRICS for Global Stability, New Threats and Challenges and Opportunities for BRICS

Chair: **Georgy Toloraya (Russia)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow  
Speakers:

Buntu Siwisa (South Africa)

Wang Hongtao (China)

Tamara Gregol (Brazil)

Evgeny Ilyin (Russia) (TBC)

Nandan Unnikrishnan (India)

**Dolgoruky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

4.2. Culture, Science and Education as Drivers for Enhanced Cooperation Within BRICS; Intercivilizational Exchanges and Dialogue, Knowledge Sharing etc

Chair: **Di Parker (South Africa)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow  
Speakers:

Yuriy Dubinin (Russia)

Nico Jooste (South Africa)

Zhou Zuoyu (China)

Pedro Arruda (Brazil)

Rajrishi Singhal (India)

**11:00 – 11:15**

Coffee break

**11:15 – 13:00**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Break-out sessions:

5.1. BRICS Evolution Vision: Institutionalization, Enlargement And Outreach

Chair: **HHS Viswanathan (India)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow  
Speakers:

Olive Shisana (South Africa)

Niu Haibin (China)

Walter Desidera (Brazil)

Georgy Toloraya (Russia)

Nandan Unnikrishnan (India)

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

5.2. BRICS and Outside World : Perception and Opportunities for Managing BRICS Image.

(BRICS Academic Community in Search of Identity, Independent Agenda and Outreach, Identification of Research Questions Arising from Recommendations Made in the Joint BRICS Strategy Document)

Chair: **Renato Flores (Brazil)**

5 speakers for each session (10 minutes), Q&A and debates to follow  
Speakers:

Elizabeth Sidiropoulos (South Africa)

Zhu Tianxiang (China)

Andre Mello (Brazil)

Vladimir Davydov (Russia)

Samir Saran (India)

**13:00 – 14:00**

Lunch

**14:00 – 15:30**  
**Tchaikovsky Hall**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Closing session:  
Chair: *Vyacheslav Nikonov* Chairman of the Board of the Russkiy Mir Foundation, Chairman of the State Duma Committee on Education, Chairman of the Board of the Russian National Committee on BRICS Research  
*Renato Baumann (Brazil)* – Presentation of Analytical Report “Towards BRICS Long-Term Strategy”  
*Georgy Toloraya (Russia)* – «BRICS Goals: Together for the Better Future»  
Deliberations and recommendations offered by heads of each of BRICS delegations

**16:00 – 17:00**

Heads of delegations meeting

**18:00**  
**Lobby**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor**  
**Four Seasons Hotel**

Gathering for Sightseeing and cultural program (River Cruise Along the Moscow River)

**May 24, 2015**

**Full day**

Transfer to the airport, departure