

**Republican Centre for Technology Transfer
(Belarus)
in cooperation with domestic and foreign
partners**

invites you to

**1ST BELARUSIAN INNOVATION
FORUM**

November 17-18, 2009

**Venue:
Minsk, Belarus**



The Forum is organized by

- the State Committee on Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus,
- the Ministry of Industry,
- the Ministry of Architecture and Construction,
- the Ministry of Education,
- the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Products,
- the Ministry of Energy,
- the Ministry of Housing and Communal Services,
- the Ministry of Communications and Informatization,
- the Ministry of Transport and Routes of Communication,
- the Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
- the Ministry of Economy,
- the State Concern of Light Industry, Production and Sales (Bellegprom),
- the State Production and Trade Concern of Forestry, Woodworking, Pulp and Paper Industry (Bellesbumprom),
- the State Production and Sales Concern of Pharmaceutical and Microbiological Products (Belbiopharm),
- the State Concern for Petroleum and Chemicals (Belneftekhim),
- the six regional executive committees,
- the Minsk Municipal Executive Committee,
- several foreign embassies accredited in Belarus,
- the National Academy of Sciences of Belarus,
- the National Library of Belarus,
- the Republican Centre for Technology Transfer,
- the Minsk Capital Union of Entrepreneurs and Employers,
- the Belarus Hi-Tech Park,
- several business associations from across the country.

The Forum will be held on authorization #34/310-12 from the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus of 16 January 2009, with the support from the Central European Initiative (CEI) Secretariat for EU Projects, the UNDP Office in Belarus, and United Nation Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

Objectives of the Forum

- to appraise the present status of the national innovation system;
- to exchange the world's best experience and find guidelines towards boosted innovation-based development of Belarus;
- to inform the national and international public about the progress made in the innovation-related activity across Belarus, the CIS and CEI countries.

The programme of the Forum and the topics covered

Session 1. Policies and legislation applicable to innovation activity, introduction of a system of innovation-based development indices, establishment of the entities that belong to innovation infrastructure (technoparks, business incubators, innovation centres, technology transfer centres, venture entities); overview of the present state, problems and challenges, deliberation at practicable solutions.

Session 2. The funding system of innovation projects, including commercialization of research.

Session 3. The policies and legislation in the domains of technology transfer and intellectual property protection.

Session 4. State-private partnership in technology transfer and establishment of innovation enterprises.

Session 5. Technology Foresight as an instrument for innovation-driven development.

Session 6. The role of young communities in the innovation-based development of Belarus (Innovation Youth Convention *Youth and Innovation*).

Session 7. International integration in innovation activity.

Session 8. Presentation of innovation and investment projects in the new and high technology sphere.

An exhibition in the hall adjacent to the conference hall (the Forum venue).

The programme of the Forum provides for the following participation options:

- delivery of a plenary report;
- presentation of a topic-wise report;
- partaking (attending) with no presentations or reports.

The time limits set: 20 minutes for a plenary report, 10 minutes for a topic-wise report.

The languages used at the Conference: Russian, English.

Expected participants

The Forum is to bring together high-rank officials from ministries, governmental bodies and agencies, academic and educational institutions, business associations from across Belarus, top managers of domestic and foreign enterprises and companies, key experts from the UNDP, UNIDO, as well as those coming from the CIS and the CEI member countries.

Publication of Proceedings

The scientific/research papers and other study materials presented during the Forum will be compiled along with the learned articles from other authors and will be brought out in the form of a publication. All applicants are requested to submit the extended abstracts of their proposed presentations to be made during the Forum along with the completed participation form.

Deadline for applications

October 30, 2009

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PARTICIPATION FORM

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BE LEFT BLANK, OTHERWISE THE FORM WILL BE REJECTED)*

1 Name (Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms):.....
(Last Name) (First Name) (Other Names)

2 Designation (Position held):.....

3 Nationality:.....

4 Date of Birth:..... Place of Birth (City) (Country).....

5 Passport No:Place of issue:

Date of Issue: Valid up to:

6 Name of the Parent Institution:

Full Address (Office):.....

Phone: Mobile:

Fax: E-mail:

7 Educational Qualifications: Highest Degree:

Year of Award: University:.....

Field of Study:

8 Brief Bio data:
(To be attached on a separate sheet)

9 Brief (1-2 page) Resume of your presentation in the Forum
(To be attached on a separate sheet)

Date: Signature: