

## **28th ANNUAL WORLD RUSSIA FORUM**

"US - Russia Relations: The Way Forward"

April 27-28, 2009 Washington, DC

United States Congress, Hart Senate Office Building

Preliminary Agenda

Monday, April 27: Hart Senate Office Building , Room 902

8:00 - 9:00 AM : Registration

9:00 - 10:30 AM : Managing the World's Economic and Financial Crisis. Building a new Financial World Order.

James Abramson – Export – Import Bank of the U.S.

Anatoly Aksakov – Russian State Duma, Association of Russian Regional Banks

\*Gerard Janco – Eurasia Center

Aleksei Shishaev – Head of Economic Section, Russian Embassy

Rair Simonyan - Morgan Stanley

11.00 AM – 12.30 PM : U.S. and Russia : A Window of Opportunity. U.S. - Russia - China Triangular.

Marshall Goldman – Harvard University

Konstantin Kokarev - Russian Institute for Strategic Research

Robert MacFarlane - National Security Advisor to President Reagan

Thomas Pickering - Hills & Company, former Undersecretary of State and U.S. Ambassador to Moscow

Sergei Rogov – Institute of USA and Canada , Russian Academy of Sciences

\*Matthew Rojansky – Partnership for a Secure America

12:30 - 2:00 PM : Congressional Luncheon. Keynote Presentation by Undersecretary William Burns (invited)

2:00 - 3:45 PM : Strategic vision for U.S.-Russia relations

Georgiy Bovt – Party "The Right Choice"

\*Greg Guroff – Foundation for International Arts and Education

Victor Korgun - Institute for Far East Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences

Andrew Kuchins – Center for Strategic and International Studies

Robert Legvold – Columbia University

Wayne Merry – Former State Department and Pentagon Official

Andranik Migranyan – Institute of Democracy and Cooperation

4:00 - 5:30 PM : America and Russia : Challenges and Opportunities

William Lind – Free Congress Foundation

\*Edward Lozansky – American University in Moscow

Sergei Markov - Russian State Duma

Jim DeMint – U.S. Senator (R-SC)

Igor Panarin – Russian Diplomatic Academy

David Satter – John's Hopkins University

6.30 - 9:00 PM : Reception at the Russian Embassy

Tuesday, April 28: George Washington University, 651 Duques Hall, 2201 G Street, NW

10:00 AM - Noon : U.S.-Russia Business Roundtable: Doing Business in Russia at a Time of Economic Stress."

Dmitry Beskurnikov - Russian Chamber of Commerce in the U.S.

Dmitri Dubograev - International Legal Counsels

Marsha Olive – World Bank

\*Richard Robin - George Washington University

Bill Robinson - Attorney at Law

12.15 - 1.15 PM: Lunch at GWU

Transfer to Russian Cultural Center, 1815 Phelps Place

2:00 - 3:30 PM : American and Russian Agendas in the Former Soviet Space.

Mike Averko - Independent Foreign Policy Analyst

Adgur Kharasia - Parliament of Abkhasia

\*Edward Lozansky - American University in Moscow

Armen Markarian – Rosnor Energo

Sergei Tsekov – Supreme Council of Autonomous Republic of Crimea

3.45 - 5.30 PM: Role of the Russian Diaspora in America in Bolstering the Business and Cultural Relations between the two Nations.

Georgiy Bovt – Editor, "Russkiy Mir Foundation" Magazine

\*Greg Guroff – Moderator, Foundation for International Arts and Education

Nikita Lobanov-Rostovsky - International Council of Russian Compatriots

George Sheremetiev - Congress of Russian Americans

Alexander Zolotoff - Association of Russian Youth Abroad "Zarya"

5:30 - 8:00 PM : Final Reception and Cultural Program at the Russian Cultural Center