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WELCOME TO THE 12TH ST. PETERSBURG INTERNATIONAL UNITED CULTURES FORUM!

 **24–26** September 2026

General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum ([6/8, Dvortsovaya Ploshchad](#))

State Hermitage Museum ([34, Dvortsovaya Naberezhnaya](#))

St. Petersburg State Academic Capella ([20, Naberezhnaya Reki Moiki](#))

Saint Petersburg Stieglitz State Academy of Art and Design ([13, Solyanoy Pereulok](#))

Bolshoy Saint-Petersburg State Circus ([3A, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))

Mariinsky II ([34, Ulitsa Dekabristov](#))

We recommend that you arrive at the Forum venues in good time, at least 30–40 minutes before the start of the event of your interest. To attend the special Forum event at Mariinsky-2, we ask you to arrive at least 2 hours before the event starts.

To access the Forum venues, you need to collect an accreditation badge and present your passport.

To access the special Forum event, you need to collect an accreditation badge, a special pass and take a PCR test. Please note that an access to the special Forum event is by special invitation. For more details, please see the '[Access to the Forum venues](#)' section.

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ARRIVAL IN ST. PETERSBURG

VISA SUPPORT

If you need a visa to enter the Russian Federation, you can:

- apply **for a visa by obtaining an invitation for foreign arrivals** (for all Forum participants);
- receive an **electronic visa** (available for citizens of 64 foreign countries).

For more detailed information, see:

 [‘Visa support’](#) section of the Forum website

BY AIR

St. Petersburg is one of Russia’s biggest transport hubs. The city is served by Pulkovo International Airport, five rail terminals, and a sea port.

There is likely to be increased traffic at all transport hubs during the Forum. We therefore advise participants to plan their journey well in advance.

FLIGHTS TO ST. PETERSBURG

Pulkovo Airport (LED) is St. Petersburg’s only airport that serves scheduled domestic and international flights. The journey time from the airport to the Forum venues is approximately 1 hour depending on the traffic.

For the latest information, please visit the [website of Pulkovo Airport](#) and your airlines of interest. Alternatively, you may contact airlines directly.

Participants can use the personal vehicle, taxi or public transport to get to the Forum venues.

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For a list of items requiring a written customs declaration and to find out how to fill in the declaration form, see the [‘Customs’](#) section of Pulkovo Airport website.

TRANSFER IN MOSCOW

Should you be unable to travel directly between your point of departure and St. Petersburg, we advise flying via one of Moscow's airports.

The flight time is approximately 90 minutes. For the latest information, please visit the websites of [Sheremetyevo](#), [Domodedovo](#), and [Vnukovo](#) airports and your airlines of interest. Alternatively, you may contact airlines directly.

If you plan to fly to Moscow and take an onward journey to St. Petersburg by train, the convenient Aeroexpress trains from Moscow airports to rail terminals allow you to travel via the following routes in comfort. Please visit the '[Aeroexpress](#)' website to view timetables and purchase tickets.

You can also get from Moscow to St. Petersburg by car on the Moscow – St. Petersburg M-11 «Neva» high-speed highway.

BY RAIL

MOSCOW – ST. PETERSBURG

Sapsan high-speed trains depart from Leningradsky Terminal in Moscow, and arrive at Moskovsky Rail Terminal in St. Petersburg. The journey time ranges from 3.5 to 4 hours. Please visit the [Russian Railways website](#) for a detailed Sapsan timetable.

MOSKOVSKY RAIL TERMINAL



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HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Participants of the 12th St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum can use the hotel booking service in the '[Hotel Booking](#)' section of the event website.

Please note that we have a limited availability of hotel rooms in Saint-Petersburg and that priority for booking confirmations will be given based on the date applications are received.

Rates, minimum period of stay and cancellation policies are set by the hotels and cannot be altered.

To ensure comfortable accommodation, we recommend booking hotels in advance.



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FORUM VENUES

Events of the 12th St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum will take place across several venues in St. Petersburg.

- The main Forum venue is the **General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum**. Located in the historical centre of St. Petersburg, this modern museum space will host the main events on the Forum's business programme.
- The Hermitage Prize award ceremony will take place at the **State Hermitage Museum**, one of the world's largest art museums and a recognized symbol of Russia's cultural heritage.
- The Music Culture section of the business programme is scheduled to take place at the **St. Petersburg State Academic Capella**, while the Circus Arts section will be held at the **Great St. Petersburg State Circus**.
- The special Forum event will take place on **the New Stage of the Mariinsky Theatre (Mariinsky II)**.
- Some events at the Forum will be held at **the Saint Petersburg Stieglitz State Academy of Art and Design**.

A detailed map of the venues can be found in the 'Venues' section of the Forum website. Information and services points are available to provide assistance in locating specific venues.

HOW TO GET TO THE VENUES?

You can get to the Forum venues by car or by public transport. The nearest metro stations are Admiralteyskaya and Nevsky Prospekt. The walk from metro stations to the State Hermitage Museum, the General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum, and the St. Petersburg State Academic Capella will take 10–15 minutes.

There is likely to be increased traffic at all transport hubs during the Forum. We therefore advise participants to plan their route and travel time well in advance.



ACCESS TO THE FORUM VENUES

ACCESS CONTROL PROCEDURE

Upon arrival, each participant will have to go through the access control procedure. The participant may be asked to turn on your phone or laptop and show other equipment that you brought to the venues.

The following items are prohibited at the venues:



- all types of liquids, including alcoholic beverages, perfumes, and liquid personal hygiene products;
- portable chargers (power banks) and replacement batteries/rechargeable batteries for mobile devices;
- electronic tobacco heating systems and devices that heat liquids (including vapes).

In order to avoid any inconvenience when accessing the venues, participants are advised to leave any items prohibited at the Forum venues at their accommodation or in their vehicle. Please carefully review the list of items prohibited on the event venues and pay attention to any exceptions.

BADGE COLLECTION

The 12th United Cultures Forum venues and a number of cultural programme events may only be accessed if you have an accreditation badge.

Participants must have their badge and identity document (passport) with them at all times while at the Forum venues.

The badge must be worn in a visible place. **The badge is personalized and may not be transferred to third parties.**

If your badge is lost or damaged, you should contact any accreditation desk or Help Desk.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO PICK UP MY BADGE?



Please note that to obtain your badge you must grant consent in your [Roscongress personal account](#) to the use of a simple electronic signature (SES).

In the 'My events – United Cultures Forum – Event dashboard' section of the [Roscongress personal account](#) you should:

1. Confirm participation in the Forum.

2. Enter your personal information in full in accordance with your passport.

3. Upload a required photo for your badge:

- Colour photo against a light background;
- Photo size – 480 × 640 pixels;
- Photo format – JPG or JPEG;
- Full-face photo with no headgear;
- Your face must take up at least 70% of the photo.

Tab 'My events – Photo – Edit'.

4. Upload a scanned copy of your passport (pages 2 and 3).

Tab 'Personal information – Edit data'.

Please make sure that the scanned copy is legible and contains complete information about the data you gave when registering, including the series and number of the document, the issue date, the issuing authority, and a photo. Formats: jpg, jpeg, pdf, png.

Data processing takes from 3 days.

If changes have been made to your identity document (passport) after you completed the application to participate in the Forum, the data in your [Roscongress personal account](#) must be edited.

To make changes to any fields that are blocked for editing, please contact the specialist that you spoke with when registering for the Forum.

HOW TO FIND OUT IF MY BADGE IS READY?

There are several ways to find out or be notified when a participant badge is ready:

- An email notification
- A notification in the [Roscongress personal account](#)
- A call to the Forum information centre: +7 (495) 640 6093
- A call to a Roscongress Foundation specialist whose contacts are listed in the [Roscongress personal account](#) (on the right of the photo).

If you have forgotten your login and password, you can use the [login and password recovery function](#) on the Roscongress personal account login page or contact us by email: weboffice@roscongress.org.

HOW TO RECEIVE THE BADGE?

Participant accreditation badges may be collected **in person** by presenting the identity document that is listed in the [Roscongress personal account](#).

If a participant's badge is collected **by a third party** using a power of attorney, the authorized person must present the following:

- Passport
- Original standard power of attorney
- List of participants (attached to the power of attorney)
- Copies of participants' passports (copies of passports will be returned after badges are issued).

A power of attorney form and a personal data consent form can be downloaded from the '[Badge collection](#)' section of the Forum website.



When issuing the badge, the accreditation operator checks the data specified in the application to ensure it matches the information in your identity document. **If the data does not match, the badge cannot be issued on the day you applied for it.**

Please note that Forum participants under 18 must present a printed consent form for the processing of personal data, signed by a legal guardian, when collecting their accreditation badges.

WHERE AND WHEN DO I PICK UP MY BADGE?

We kindly ask that you collect your accreditation badge **in advance** at the accreditation points in Moscow or in St. Petersburg.

The work schedule for the accreditation points may change. Please check for updates in the 'Access' section of the Forum website.

LOCATION	DATE	OPERATING HOURS
MOSCOW		
Roscongress Foundation Accreditation Centre at the World Trade Center Moscow (12, Krasnopresnenskaya Naberezhnaya, entrance No. 7, 1st floor)	22–23 September	10:00–20:00
	24 September	10:00–19:00
ST. PETERSBURG		
Central City Public Library named after V.V. Mayakovsky (20, Nevsky Prospekt)	21 September	12:00–20:00
	22 September	10:00–20:00
	23 September	08:00–22:00
	24 September	08:00–23:00
	25 September	08:00–18:00
Grand Hotel Europe (1/7, Mikhailovskaya Ulitsa)	23 September	10:00–23:00
	24 September	07:30–23:00
	25 September	07:30–18:00
Grand Hotel Moika 22 (22, Naberezhnaya Reki Moiki)	23 September	10:00–23:00
	24 September	07:30–23:00
	25 September	07:30–18:00
	26 September	07:30–16:00

ACCESS TO THE SPECIAL FORUM EVENT

Access to the special Forum event is by special invitation and activated special pass only. An invitation will be sent by email. If you are invited to the special Forum event, **you must obtain a special access card in addition to your badge.**

BEFORE VISITING THE SPECIAL FORUM EVENT

1. **Collect your accreditation badge in advance at accreditation points in Moscow or St. Petersburg.**

2. **Take a PCR test to access the special Forum event that will take place on 25 September.**

3. **Collect a special pass.**

If you are invited to the special Forum event, you must obtain a special access card in addition to your badge.

4. **Leave items prohibited at the venues at your accommodations.**

[The list of prohibited items](#) is available at the Forum website.

5. **Take your identity document (passport) with you.**

You must present your passport at the checkpoints and keep it with you while you are at the Forum venues.

PCR TESTING

WHO NEEDS TO TAKE A PCR TEST?

To access the special Forum event in Mariinsky-2 on 25 September, special Forum event attendees, media representatives and staff who will be present at the special Forum event must take PCR testing for COVID-19, influenza A/B or ARVI from 07:30 on 24 September to 23:00 on 24 September (Moscow time).

- Results will be provided within 24 hours.
- Express testing (LAMP) is not available.
- Access to the special Forum event will only be permitted once the required test for COVID-19, influenza A/B, and acute respiratory viral infection has been verified.

Please note that an access to the special Forum event is by special invitation. An invitation will be sent by email.

HOW TO GET TESTED?

1. **Find your ID** on the badge or in the [Roscongress personal account](#) and keep it in mind.
2. **Sign up for PCR testing** in the [Roscongress personal account](#).
3. **Print, fill out and sign consent forms** for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data.
4. **Provide your Roscongress ID** (or show your badge) at the Forum testing centre or using the off-site testing.

WHERE TO GET TESTED?

Testing will be carried out **only** at the Forum's dedicated testing centres, which are provided by Rospotrebnadzor in St. Petersburg and Moscow.

Tests performed at other laboratories are not verified and cannot be accepted for special pass activation.

The list of testing centres is available in the '[PCR test for the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website. The work schedule for the testing centres may change. Please check for updates in the '[PCR test for the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR TESTING

Consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data.

You must print, fill in, sign consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data before visiting the testing centre and bring it with you.

Important! Documents must be printed in one-sided format (printing on one side of the sheet only).

Consent forms can be downloaded in the '[PCR test for the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website or in the Roscongress personal account.

PCR testing at dedicated Forum testing centres is by appointment only. Please arrive at the time of your booking.

BOOKING A TEST

To register for a PCR test, you must log in to your [Roscongress personal account](#) and:

- Enter your personal information in full in accordance with your passport.
- Upload a required photo for your badge.
- Upload a scanned copy of your passport.
- Download consent forms for medical intervention and to the processing of personal data in a single file.

If the button hasn't activated, check that you have provided all the necessary information. If you have uploaded everything required, but the button still hasn't activated, please contact the Roscongress Foundation specialist whose contacts are listed in the [Roscongress personal account](#).

In the Roscongress personal account in the 'PCR testing – Book a test' section, choose the most convenient testing centre from the list and select a time slot.

INFORMATION ON VERIFICATION

Results will be provided within 24 hours.

Information regarding test verification will appear in the 'PCR Testing – PCR Test Results' section of your [Roscongress personal account](#).

If you don't get the test result, you can find out information:

- by calling the Forum information centre at +7 (499) 640 6093
- by calling your Roscongress Foundation specialist.

For more detailed information, see:

 '[PCR test for the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website

SPECIAL PASS

SPECIAL PASS DISTRIBUTION

-  Central City Public Library named after V.V. Mayakovsky ([20, Nevsky Prospekt](#))
-  23 September, 11:00–22:00; 24 September, 11:00–23:00; 25 September, 08:00–11:00

The work schedule for the accreditation points may change. Please check for updates in the '[Access to the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website.

HOW TO FIND OUT IF MY SPECIAL PASS IS READY?

There are several ways to find out or be notified when a special pass is ready:

- A notification in the 'My events – United Cultures Forum – Event dashboard – Special Forum event' section of the [Roscongress personal account](#)
- An email notification
- An SMS message.

HOW TO OBTAIN A SPECIAL PASS?

The special pass can be received only upon producing the **identity document (passport)** that is listed in the [Roscongress personal account](#).



The special access card cannot be issued if the data in your [Roscongress personal account](#) is incorrect.

To collect a special pass **by proxy**, the authorized individual must present the following:

- Authorized person's passport
- **Originals of participants' identity documents** that are listed in the Roscongress personal account
- **An original standard power of attorney**
- A list of participants obtaining special access cards.

The power of attorney forms can be downloaded from the '[Access to the special Forum event](#)' section of the Forum website.



Please arrive at the Forum venue in advance, at least 2 hours prior to the start of the event, and to the special Forum event hall **at least 30 minutes before the start of the special Forum event.**

Each participant will have to go through the access control procedure. We recommend that you **do not take** large bags, plastic bags, and laptops with you into the special Forum event hall.

BUSINESS PROGRAMME

The 12th St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum will bring together leading cultural figures from Russia and around the world, as well as government officials and representatives of the professional and expert communities. The programme includes activities in **ten thematic areas**:

- Musical Culture
- Film
- Media Culture
- Museums
- United Cultures and Technologies towards the Cultural Code of the Future
- Cultural Sovereignty in the 21st Century
- Cultural Heritage: Traditions and Modernity
- Circus
- Theatre
- Education in Culture

Key events include a session chaired by Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Russian Federation and Chairperson of the St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum Organizing Committee Tatyana Golikova, a Meeting of the Coordinating Council for Culture under the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation, and the Hermitage Prize Award Ceremony.

A jam-packed youth programme, **as well as a series of meetings between cultural luminaries and young Forum participants, will be held on the sidelines of the Forum.** Chairman of the Union of Theatre Workers of the Russian Federation Vladimir Mashkov and General Director of the State Hermitage Museum Mikhail Piotrovsky will hold separate meetings at the event.

The Forum will also feature a series of **off-programme events**, including an open session titled 'Besogon and Culture', which will feature an appearance by director Nikita Mikhalkov, as well as discussions on museum spaces, music education, historical memory, the digital preservation of cultural heritage, and inclusive culture.

The key event of the Forum will be the **special Forum event**. Attendance at the special Forum event is by special invitation only and is not included in the participation package.

[VIEW THE CURRENT
BUSINESS PROGRAMME](#)

LINGUISTIC SUPPORT

The business programme events will feature simultaneous interpreting between Russian and English.

At the special Forum event, simultaneous interpreting will be provided into English, Arabic, Spanish, Chinese, Russian and French.

ST. PETERSBURG SEASONS FESTIVAL OF CULTURE

6th Silver Necklace Festival – Days of Folk Culture of the North-West Region in St. Petersburg, with international participation

 [Sobornaya Ploshchad, Peter and Paul Fortress](#)

 25 September, 12:00–20:30

26 September, 12:00–18:00

Open admission.

Concert by the folk instrument orchestra at the St. Petersburg State Institute of Culture

 [1A, Millionnaya Ulitsa](#)

 25 September, 15:00–16:00

Admission: by participant badge.

3rd Folk Art Festival

 [Sobornaya Ploshchad, Peter and Paul Fortress](#)

 25 September, 17:00–20:30

Open admission.

Russian Readings

 26 September, 15:30–17:00

Admission: by participant badge.

Rosatom Assembly: Reviving the Traditions of the Russian Ball

 Sheremetev Palace – Museum of Music ([34, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))

 26 September, 19:00–22:00

Admission: by invitation.

‘Prayer and Dream’ organ concert at the Concert Hall on the English Embankment

 [56, Angliyskaya Naberezhnaya](#)

 26 September, 19:00–20:45

Admission: by ticket.

Please confirm your attendance in your [Roscongress personal account](#), then collect your ticket from the Festival of Culture stand in the General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum.

‘Masterpieces of World Classical Music’ gala concert

 St. Petersburg Opera Chamber Music Theatre ([33, Galernaya Ulitsa](#))

 26 September, 19:00–21:30

Admission: by ticket.

Please confirm your attendance in your [Roscongress personal account](#), then collect your ticket from the Festival of Culture stand in the General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum.

Gala Concert of Boris Eifman's St. Petersburg State Academic Ballet Theatre (marking the choreographer's anniversary)

-  Boris Eifman's St. Petersburg State Academic Ballet Theatre ([32V, Gagarinskaya Ulitsa](#))
-  24 September, 20:00–22:15

Admission: by invitation.

Season Opening: 120 Years since the Birth of Dmitri Shostakovich

-  The D.D. Shostakovich St. Petersburg Academic Philharmonic ([2, Mikhailovskaya Ulitsa](#))
-  24 September, 20:00–22:00

Admission: by ticket.

MUSEUMS AND EXHIBITIONS

As part of the St. Petersburg Seasons Festival of Culture, participants may visit a number of museums, parks, and exhibitions in St. Petersburg and its surroundings free of charge on presentation of a badge:

- Russian Museum of Ethnography ([4/1, Inzhenernaya Ulitsa](#))
- Gatchina State Museum-Reserve ([1, Krasnoarmeysky Prospekt, Gatchina](#))
- Gatchina Palace ([1, Krasnoarmeysky Prospekt, Gatchina](#))
- Priory Palace ([22a, Ulitsa Chkalova, Gatchina](#))
- Alexandria Park ([Alexandria Park, Peterhof](#))
- Farm Palace ([Alexandria Park, Peterhof](#))
- Lower Park of Peterhof ([Lower Park, Peterhof](#))
- Eighteenth-Century Necropolis, a branch of the State Museum of Urban Sculpture ([1, Ploshchad Alexandra Nevskogo](#))
- Stroganov Palace, State Russian Museum ([17, Nevsky Prospekt](#))
- Mikhailovsky Castle, State Russian Museum ([2, Sadovaya Ulitsa](#))
- State Museum of the History of St. Petersburg ([Peter and Paul Fortress](#))
- 'The Great' exhibition at the Mikhailovsky Palace ([4, Inzhenernaya Ulitsa](#))
- St. Isaac's Cathedral State Museum ([4A, Isaakiyevskaya Ploshchad](#))
- 'Gorokhovaya 2' Museum of State Security ([6, Admiralteysky Prospekt](#))
- State Museum of the Political History of Russia ([2–4, Ulitsa Kuybysheva](#))
- State Museum of the History of Religion ([14, Pochtamtskaya Ulitsa](#))
- State Memorial Museum of the Defence and Siege of Leningrad ([9, Solyanoy Pereulok](#))
- 'Russia – My History' Museum and Exhibition Centre ([32, Basseynaya Ulitsa, Building 1](#))
- Derzhavin Museum-Estate ([118, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))
- 'Pushkin: Life and Work' Museum ([12, Naberezhnaya Reki Moyki](#))
- 'Russia 1896: Marking the Anniversary of the Nizhny Novgorod Industrial and Art Exhibition' project, ROSPHOTO State Museum and Exhibition Centre ([35, Bolshaya Morskaya Ulitsa](#))
- Suvorov State Memorial Museum ([43, Kirochnaya Ulitsa](#))
- Anikushin Studio, a branch of the State Museum of Urban Sculpture ([8, Vyazemsky Pereulok](#))

- Narva Triumphal Gate, a department of the State Museum of Urban Sculpture ([1, Ploshchad Stachek](#))
- 'Indivisible: Windows of Memory' multimedia project at the Third Place art gallery ([62, Liteyny Prospekt](#))
- Nekrasov Memorial Apartment Museum ([36, Liteyny Prospekt](#))
- Anna Akhmatova Literary Memorial Museum at the Fountain House ([53, Liteyny Prospekt](#))
- Dostoevsky Literary Memorial Museum ([2/5, Ulitsa Dostoevskogo](#))
- Sheremetev Palace – Museum of Music ([34, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))
- St. Petersburg State Roerich Family Museum and Institute ([1A, 18-ya Liniya, Vasilyevsky Island](#))
- Theatre Museum ([2A, Ulitsa Zodchego Rossi](#))
- 'Young Rembrandt: 'The Baptism of the Eunuch'. A Lost Masterpiece' exhibition at the Museum of Christian Culture ([5, Pereulok Lodygina](#))
- 'The Scene of the Action' exhibition at the Manege Museum and Exhibition Centre ([1, Isaakiyevskaya Ploshchad](#))

GUIDED TOURS

Forum participants may take a number of guided tours at cultural institutions in St. Petersburg free of charge:

- General tour of the Catherine Palace Museum at the Tsarskoye Selo State Museum-Reserve ([7, Sadovaya Ulitsa](#))
- Tour of the 'Leonardo da Vinci: The Battle of Anghiari' exhibition at the Museum of Christian Culture ([5, Lodygina Pereulok](#))
- 'The Formula of the Future' and 'Dream Catchers' tours at the Twentieth Century Events and Exhibition Space of the State Literary Museum ([1, Prospekt Pyatiletok](#))
- 'The History of the Writers' House' and 'The Life and Work of Mikhail Zoshchenko' tours at the Zoshchenko Memorial Apartment Museum ([4/2, Malaya Konyushennaya Ulitsa](#))
- 'The Magnificent Alexandrinsky Theatre (Main Stage)' tour ([6, Ploshchad Ostrovskogo](#))
- 'The New Stage of the Alexandrinsky Theatre (A Theatre of the 21st Century)' tour ([49A, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))
- General tour of the Museum of the Academy of Arts ([17, Universitetskaya Naberezhnaya](#))
- Tour of the temporary exhibition 'Land of the Golden Mountains: Marking 270 Years since the Altai People Joined the Russian State' at the Russian Museum of Ethnography ([4/1, Inzhenernaya Ulitsa](#))
- General tour of the Derzhavin Museum-Estate (Central Wing) ([118, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))

THEATRE TICKETS

Participants may attend performances at a number of St. Petersburg theatres:

- 'A Gentle Creature' at the New Stage of the Alexandrinsky Theatre ([49A, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))
- 'Resurrection' at the Main Stage of the Alexandrinsky Theatre ([6A, Ploshchad Ostrovskogo](#))
- 'Romeo and Juliet' and the opera buffa 'The Secret Marriage' at the St. Petersburg Opera Chamber Music Theatre ([33, Galernaya Ulitsa](#))

- 'Eight Loving Women' and 'Three Men and a Masterpiece' at the Baltic House Theatre Festival ([4, Alexandrovsky Park](#))
- 'The Elder Son', 'The Seagull', and 'An Ordinary Miracle' at the Bryantsev St. Petersburg Theatre for Young Spectators ([1, Pionerskaya Ploshchad](#))
- The operettas 'Die Fledermaus' and 'Countess Maritza', the musical 'Tango of Love' at the St. Petersburg State Musical Comedy Theatre ([13, Italiyanskaya Ulitsa](#))
- 'It's a Family Affair', 'Uncle Vanya', and 'The Brothers Karamazov' at the Maly Drama Theatre – Theatre of Europe ([18, Rubinshteyna Ulitsa](#))
- 'The Main Element', 'Noises Off', and 'The Crocodile of My Soul' at the Arkady Raikin Variety Theatre ([27, Bolshaya Konyushennaya Ulitsa](#))
- 'A Cabal of Hypocrites / Molière', 'Last Summer in Chulimsk', 'A Brooklyn Tale', 'Tartuffe', and 'Love After Life' at the St. Petersburg Youth Theatre on the Fontanka, Main and Small Stages ([114, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))
- 'Khanuma' at the Na Mokhovoy Student Theatre ([35, Mokhovaya Ulitsa](#))
- 'Glory' and 'The Storm' at the Tovstonogov Bolshoi Drama Theatre ([65, Naberezhnaya Reki Fontanki](#))

Further information, together with the instructions for booking tours and collecting theatre tickets, is available in the '[St. Petersburg Seasons Festival of Culture](#)' section of the Forum website and at the Festival of Culture stand at the General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum.

SHUTTLE BUSES

During the St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum, free regular shuttles for participants and media representatives will run on the following routes:

Route 1

ROUTE	DATES AND OPERATING HOURS	FREQUENCY
Pulkovo Airport (parking area P8) ↔ City Centre (Grand Hotel Moika 22)	23 September, 07:00–22:00	Every 30 min
	24 September, 07:00–22:00	Every 30 min
	25 September, 07:00–12:00	Every 30 min

Route 2 (for participants of the special Forum event only)

ROUTE	DATES AND OPERATING HOURS	FREQUENCY
General Staff Building of the State Hermitage Museum (Pevchesky Bridge, by the Grand Hotel Moika 22) ↔ Mariinsky II	25 September, 07:00–22:00	Every 30 min

To board a shuttle on the route 1 at Pulkovo Airport, participants should first approach the staff at the Pulkovo Airport information desk.

Please check the latest timetable in the 'Shuttle buses' section of the Forum website.

DINING AT THE FORUM VENUES

COFFEE AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS (FREE OF CHARGE)

NAME	LOCATION	OPERATING HOURS	FORMAT
Third courtyard (coffee break area)	General Staff Building, 1 st floor	24–26 September Per business programme schedule	Hot and cold drinks, individually wrapped snacks
Coffee break	Mariinsky II, 2 nd and 7 th floors	25 September	Hot and cold drinks, individually wrapped snacks

CAFÉS (PAYMENT REQUIRED)

HERMITAGE CAFÉ

-  General Staff Building, 1st floor
-  24–26 September, 10:00–18:00

HERMITAGE CAFÉ

-  General Staff Building, 2nd floor
-  24–26 September, 10:00–18:00

BUFFET

-  St. Petersburg State Academic Capella, 1st floor
-  24–26 September, from 10:00 to the end of the business programme

SERVICES FOR WORK ORGANIZING OF THE FORUM

BROADCASTS OF BUSINESS FORUM EVENTS

Live broadcasts of business programme events can be viewed:

- in the '[Business programme](#)' section of the official Forum website
- on the [Roscongress Foundation website](#)
- in the Roscongress mobile app.

ROSCONGRESS MOBILE APP

The **Roscongress mobile app** is an information, communication, and service platform for participants of all events organized by the Roscongress Foundation.

New sections and services will appear in the mobile app as the Forum approaches.

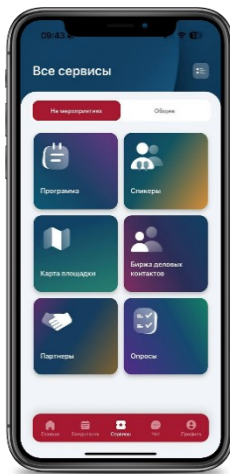
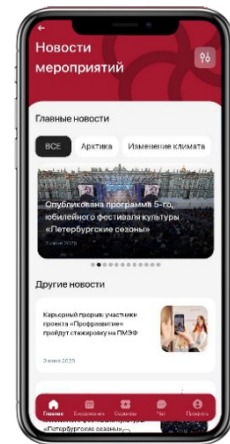
WHY SHOULD I DOWNLOAD THE APP?

FULL ACCESS TO THE PROGRAMME

- Up-to-date session schedule
- Personal schedule of events, meetings, and occasions
- Live broadcasts

SERVICES FOR ORGANIZING YOUR PARTICIPATION

- Information brochure for participants
- Chatbot
- Forum venues map



LATESTS NEWS

- Information about all Roscongress Foundation events, latest news and analytics
- Push notifications about key events and services
- Photos with participants of Roscongress Foundation events

CONVENIENT NETWORKING

- Ability to exchange contacts with other participants
- Arranging business meetings
- Private chat features, enabling you to communicate with other Forum participants



The mobile app is available for downloading in the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#) (search term: roscongress)

All the app's functions and features are fully available after entering the [Roscongress personal account](#) login and password.

ROSCONGRESS PHOTO BANK

The Roscongress Foundation provides photography for all events of the St. Petersburg International United Cultures Forum, as well as at other events organized by the Foundation. Photographs are published in the Roscongress photo bank in real time. Images can be displayed by event and date to facilitate browsing. The photographs are available for viewing and free download in high resolution, and may be freely used, provided a reference to the Roscongress Foundation is included.



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ORGANIZING AND HOLDING PRESS EVENTS

Participants may reserve specially designated spaces at the Forum venues to hold press events, book protocol and organizational support services for agreement signing ceremonies.

The services are free of charge and subject to availability of spaces at the time of request.

NAME	LOCATION
Press hall	General Staff Building, 1 st floor
Press point / singing ceremony point	General Staff Building, 2 nd floor
Press point	St. Petersburg State Academic Capella, 2 nd floor
Press point	Mariinsky II, 2 nd floor

For more detailed information about terms and conditions, see:

-  ['Organizing and staging press events'](#) section of the Forum website
-  Media information and services point (General Staff Building, 1st floor)

PRESS CENTRE OPERATING HOURS

LOCATION	DATE	OPERATING HOURS
Media work area General Staff Building, 1 st floor	24–26 September	08:00–20:00

ROSCONGRESS.RU INFORMATION AND ANALYTICAL SYSTEM

The ROSCONGRESS.RU Information and Analytical System is a unique Roscongress Foundation knowledge base. The Roscongress IAS provides quick and easy access to all resources related to major business events in Russia that are organized by the Roscongress Foundation.

Features of the interactive knowledge base:

- Descriptions of more than **10 500** sessions across **290** topics covering global and national development
- Talks, interviews, and insights from more than **32 000** speakers
- Research studies, articles, analytical digests, and expert reviews.

Forum participants and all visitors to the ROSCONGRESS.RU website have a range of services at their disposal:

- **Summary:** analytical summaries of key discussions, including overviews of conclusions, objectives, and solutions.
- **Analytical digests:** a selection of analytical materials dedicated to important comprehensive studies on the business agenda of the forums.
- **Video broadcasts of business programme events** and the broadcast archive. Broadcasts are available in the 'Business programme' section of the event website.
- **Search video broadcasts:** a feature enabling the user to search for information of interest within videos of events.
- [Official business directory of the portal.](#)
- **The Roscongress Blog:** interviews with famous people from the world of culture, sport and science, fascinating stories about the cities and regions in which events are held, and articles about the lifestyles of businesspeople.

Forum participants are able to use unique services and appreciate the advantages of the ROSCONGRESS.RU Information and Analytical System in their mobile phones, tablets and computers.

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SERVICES FOR FINDING BUSINESS PARTNERS

ARRANGING BUSINESS MEETINGS

Participants of the Forum can use the 'Day Planner' and 'Business Contacts Exchange' sections of the Roscongress mobile app or the 'Day Planner' section in the [Roscongress personal account](#) to plan and arrange business meetings.

If you wish to schedule a meeting, you need to create an event by selecting the 'Meeting' type, then add a new event, specify the type of event, select the time and location. Add invitees from the list of Forum participants.

Only participants who consented to their information being displayed will be visible. Consent is provided at the registration stage.

Invitations from participants are displayed in the 'Business Contacts Exchange' and 'Day Planner' sections of the mobile app. They are also accompanied by notifications in the Notification Centre and appear in the 'Day Planner' section of the user's [Roscongress personal account](#).

REMINDER

Select the event type 'Reminder' to set up a reminder in the 'Day Planner' section on the mobile application when creating an event.

SERVICES AT THE FORUM VENUES

INFORMATION AND SERVICES POINTS

-  General Staff Building, 1st and 2nd floors
-  St. Petersburg State Academic Capella, 1st floor
-  Mariinsky II, 1st floor
-  Central City Public Library named after V.V. Mayakovsky
-  Grand Hotel Europe
-  Pulkovo Airport

At information and services points, participants can obtain information on the programme, available services, and directions around the Forum venues and other sites.

The information and services points **at the Forum venues** also provide an opportunity to:

- Copy and print documents
- Record information to electronic media
- Charge mobile devices
- Learn about things lost and found at the venues
- Carry out a business trip registration.

INTERNET ACCESS

Internet access is available free of charge at the Forum venues.

Network: **UnitedCultures**

Password: **Roscongress**

To access the UnitedCultures network, please follow the instructions on the authorization page when connecting to the network.

FIRST AID

 General Staff Building, 1st floor, first aid point

Ambulances will be stationed at the Forum venues for the duration of the event.

Calling an ambulance

 112, 103

First aid at the Forum venues

 +7 (911) 023 1629
(Kiyashko Julia Alexandrovna)

 +7 (931) 542 7900
(Kruglova Darya Alexandrovna)

DOCUMENTS

In order to receive timely medical assistance if you have confirmed COVID-19, influenza A/B or ARVI symptoms, please make sure to have an identification document (passport), migration card and a compulsory health insurance certificate (valid in the Russian Federation) with you at all times.

DETECTION OF COVID-19

If you test positive for COVID-19, you must inform the organizers of your current location within 24 hours so that the information can be sent to Rospotrebnadzor.

CLOAKROOMS

-  General Staff Building, ground floor
-  St. Petersburg State Academic Capella, 1st floor
-  Mariinsky II, ground floor

GENERAL INFORMATION

WEATHER IN ST. PETERSBURG

St. Petersburg has a humid coastal climate. The average temperature in the end of September is +15 °C. At night, the air temperature may drop to +10°C. Due to the city's geographic position and its proximity to the Baltic Sea an extreme change of weather, short-term rains and high humidity are possible. We recommend Forum guests to bring warm clothing and an umbrella with them.

TIME ZONE

Local time in St. Petersburg is the same as in Moscow: three hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (UTC+3).

ELECTRICITY

The standard mains voltage in the Russian Federation is 220 V (50 Hz). Type C and Type F electrical sockets are commonly used. If you plan to bring electrical appliances that require higher voltage, or you might need a different type of socket, we recommend taking an adapter with you on your trip.

CURRENCY AND BANK CARD TRANSACTIONS

CURRENCY EXCHANGE OPERATIONS

Please note the following restrictions when making currency exchange transactions:

- U.S. dollars, euros, Chinese yuan, UAE dirhams, Turkish lira, and other currencies can be freely exchanged for Russian roubles. Sberbank branches offer foreign exchange operations in approximately 18 currencies. Exchange rates and branch addresses are available [here](#).
- You must present a valid ID for currency exchange transactions.
- **Visa or Mastercard cards issued outside of Russia CANNOT** be used to **exchange foreign currency** for Russian roubles. Nor can these cards be used to withdraw Russian roubles.

Current information on exchange rates can be found on the Central Bank of Russia website: cbr.ru/eng/.

BANK CARDS

In light of the current restrictions on the use of foreign bank cards in Russia, we **recommend that you carry cash** with you for the entire duration of your stay at the Forum.

Mir payment system cards with any currency work without restriction in Russia. Participants are advised to obtain a card or bring an existing card with them.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

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The Forum venues are furnished with modern safety equipment, including video surveillance and fire extinguishing systems.

In case of evacuation announcement, participants should:

- Keep calm and follow instructions of the Forum staff, the police and other persons responsible for maintaining public order and fire safety as well as the voice alarm instructions.
- Not interfere with rescue personnel, police and transport operations.
- Leave the venues according to the evacuation plans and follow the exit signs.
- Give way to vehicles with sound and light signalling devices.

We ask you to immediately report smoke, fire or any suspicious objects by dialling 112 on your mobile device and notify the Forum staff.

PROCEDURE IN CASE OF FIRE

Upon discovering a fire or signs of combustion (such as smoke, the smell of burning, etc.), either inside a building or on the premises, you must immediately report it **to the fire department by calling 01, 101, or 112**. Provide the name of the building, its address, the location where the fire originated, and the name of the person reporting the information. Then leave the fire area according to the evacuation plan.

Fire safety requirements, which establish the procedure for people's behaviour at the event venues, are set by the Fire Safety Regulations in the Russian Federation, approved by the Resolution No. 1479 of the Government of the Russian Federation dated 16 September 2020. Violating fire safety requirements can result in liability in accordance with the current legislation of the Russian Federation.

DRAWBRIDGE SCHEDULE

The bridge schedule is subject to change. For the latest information, see:

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NAME OF BRIDGE	TIME WHEN BRIDGE IS RAISED
Alexander Nevsky	02:20–05:10
Blagoveshchensky	01:25–02:45; 03:10–05:00
Birzhevoy	02:00–02:55; 03:35–04:55
Bolsheokhtinsky	02:00–05:00
Volodarsky	02:00–03:45; 04:15–05:30
Dvortsovy	01:10–02:50; 03:10–04:55
Liteiny	01:40–04:45
Troitsky	01:20–04:50

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Rescue service (for mobile phone users): **112**

Fire brigade: **101** (for mobile phone users), **01**

Police: **102** (for mobile phone users), **02**

Ambulance: **103** (from mobile phones), **03**

St. Petersburg Tourist Information Bureau: **+7 (812) 242 3906** (Mon–Sat 10:00–19:00)

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