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Arctic as a territory of the Russian-Poland dialogue

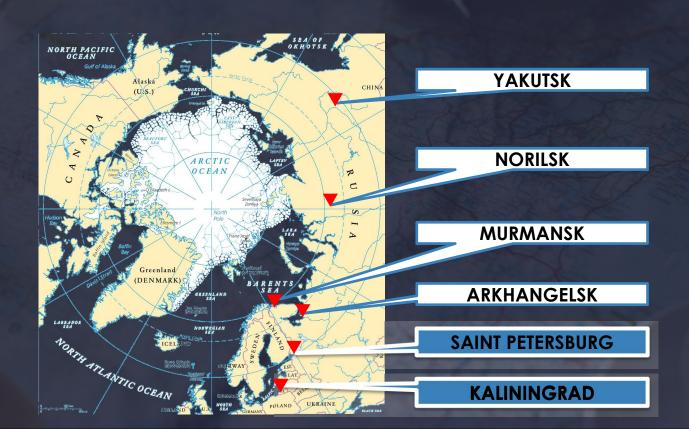
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This presentation are not official positions of Russian Federation and is based on the author's opinion and the results of a opinion poll of Russian experts on international cooperation in the Arctic: leaders of NGO, entrepreneurs, scientists

Where do we work in Arctic?





Annual international seminar
"The Arctic in the context of global challenges of the XXI century",
St. Petersburg, June 2016

MAIN PROBLEMS:

- 1. Political relations between states.
- 2. Revision of views on the historical ties of Russia and Poland in both countries.

KEY FEATURES:

- 1. Lack of systemic interdisciplinary projects.
- 2. Lack of state cooperation programs in the Arctic.

RESULT: geopolitics should not interfere in trade, economic, cultural, scientific and educational ties between the two countries

Areas of cooperation





Russia in the years 2021-2023 will lead the Arctic Council

- 1. Scientific research
- 2. Trade and economic relations
- 3. Public diplomacy

Scientific research

Ecology, climate and environmental management:

- Modeling the economic consequences of warming in the Arctic.
- Solving problems of restoration of aquaculture in the seas of the Arctic Ocean.
- Integrated management of marine spaces in the Arctic.
- Regulation of marine activities in the waters of the Arctic Ocean beyond national jurisdictions.
- The development of artificial intelligence and robotics for research and development of the Arctic.

Historical heritage:

- Joint development of Siberia and the North of Russia of the XIX-XX centuries.
- Historiography of Polish scientists in Siberia in the North.

Trade and economic relations

- Cargo transit through the Northern Sea Route as a transport artery between Asia and Europe.
- High-tech transfers from the European Union to Russia and back (excluding sanctions lists).
- The participation of Poland in the development of the Arctic cruise tourism.
- Investment by Polish companies in the development of megaprojects in the Arctic.

Russia is positive to expansion of presence of the Polish businessmen and to attraction of the Polish investments

Public diplomacy

- The creation of the Russian-Polish non-governmental working group on the Arctic.
- Organization of exhibitions, presentations, exchange programs, joint academic scientific and educational symposia, the implementation of youth projects.
- Participation in projects of the Arctic Council, the Arctic Economic Council.
- Popularization of practical experience of Russia and Poland in the field of science, education, business in the Arctic.
- Cooperation between scientific, environmental, entrepreneurial NGOs.

Development of public diplomacy for cooperation in the Arctic

International Workshop «Russia and Poland in the Arctic»

- Date: II half of 2019
- Location: Kaliningrad or Warsaw.
- Photo exhibition.
- Three sessions: "Science, education, climate, ecology"; "Economy, business, investment"; "History, culture, public diplomacy".
- Social significance: strengthening the status of Russia and Poland in the Arctic; development of scientific and economic cooperation; increasing the attention of the Polish and Russian public to the achievements of Poland and Russia in the Arctic.

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Author publications (in Russian)



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