

The CIRP

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The Centre of International and Regional Policy (CIRP) is an organization founded in St. Petersburg in 2001.

The CIRP is committed to exploring and examining the variety of policy options available to Russia to promote its interests.

The CIRP team pursues this mission by providing research on public policy and international cooperation.

CIRP key research areas:

- * Russia's relations with EU and NATO, especially new member-states
- * Regional developments in the Baltic – Black Sea area
- * Dynamics of political, economic and societal developments in the Russian Federation, especially in the Northwest federal district.

The CIRP School Program

The CIRP School Program is an initiative addressed to educate a responsible young generation in Russia and neighboring countries, to support young policy analysts and public activists.

Senior and post-graduate students, young researchers and university teachers, NGO activists and individuals at the early stages of their careers in public policy from Russian regions as well as from Central and Eastern European countries are invited by CIRP to one week seminars. Seminar program includes training sessions, panel discussions and round-tables involving both the participants and the international faculty composed of prominent experts and policy-makers. This facilitates an open discussion between those actively involved in the policy

process and the coming generation as well as among the young people themselves. Since the launch of the program six School Sessions were held:

"Values of Humanity and Regional Conflicts" (April 2000)", "Russia and Central Europe: a Need for a Partnership " (October 2000), "Russia's Strategic Choices in a Changing World" (March 2001), "Enhancing the European Vector of Russian-Ukrainian Relations" (May 2002); "Changing the Security Agenda in Europe' North" (July 2003), "Future Leaders for Northern Europe" (July 2004), "Wider Europe without Dividing Lines" (July 2005), "Transforming Borders: Global Trends and Regional Dimension" (February 2006), "Russia' Borders in Transforming World" (July 2006), "Demographic Challenges, Ethnic Diversity and Multiculturalism in the Baltic Sea Area" (February 2007)

Since 2000, more than 500 young participants from Russia, Belarus, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Moldova, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Croatia, Germany, Denmark have actively participated in CIRP School sessions.

The CIRP and Partners

The CIRP has established close and cooperative relationship with local authorities and various GOs and NGOs from Russian regions. Among our partners: Latvian Transatlantic Organization (LATO), Estonian Atlantic Treaty Association (EATA), Center for Geopolitical Studies (Lithuania), Center of International Relations (Poland), Institute of Eastern Studies (Poland), Moldovan Association of Foreign Policy, Ukrainian Center for Economic and Political Studies (Razumkov Centre), Centre for Transborder Cooperation "Chudskoy Project" (Pskov), NGO "Molodezhnyi Parliament" (Vologda), Association "Norden" (St.Petersburg), Center "Strategy" (St.Petersburg) etc. The CIRP staff has regularly visited Russian regions to get feedback and keep in touch with regional developments. CIRP has a status of a member of Russian Association of European Studies (AES).

Since its establishment, the CIRP has collaborated with numerous institutions, organizations and foundations that provided academic, organizational, and financial support of CIRP' activities. CIRP projects were sponsored and supported by the Delegation of European Commission in Russia, British Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, German Foreign Office, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvian Ministry for Foreign Affairs,

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