

RUSSIAN ASSOCIATION OF LAWYERS

European-Asian Law Congress
«Legal integration of European-Asian region under globalization»

PROGRAMME OF THE FIRST SESSION
(General information)

Yekaterinburg, 17-18 May 2007

Dear colleagues,

The consolidation of legal community, the search for effective forms of its participation in improving legislation and laws application practice and its contribution to developing legal science and education systems, adequate to the challenges of the epoch, are the most important directions in the activities of the Association of Lawyers, the largest and most authoritative professional association in the CIS countries.

Taking into account the significance of international stability in the European-Asian region, the increasing role of the international cooperation of lawyers both for solving specific professional problems and the strategic objectives of the effective integration of the region into global organizations of the modern world, the Association of Lawyers on the basis of the Urals State Academy of Law (Yekaterinburg) is holding the European-Asian Legal Congress «Legal integration of European-Asian region under globalization». The first session of the Legal Congress takes place in Yekaterinburg, 17-18 May 2007 and will be devoted to the problems of legal support of economic cooperation and the cooperation in the field of security.

President of Russian Association of Lawyers

Chairman
of the RF Accounts Chamber



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**General programme
of the first session of the European-Asian Law Congress
«Legal integration of European-Asian region under globalization»**

**Topic of the session:
«Legal support of economic and security cooperation»**

**17 May 2007
Determining the directions of research activities
of the Congress Committees in 2007**

Plenary discussion on modern tendencies and priorities, mechanisms and forms of legal support of cooperation in the European-Asian region, prospects for developing the Eurasian legal space. Determining the directions of work of Branch sessions.

Branch Sessions:

- International and European law,
- **Tax, Customs and Financial law,**
- Administrative and Environmental law,
- Civil, Commercial and Private international law,
- International civil procedure and arbitral procedure,
- Criminal law and law of criminal procedure,
- Labour law and Social security law,
- Theoretical issues of the development of the Eurasian legal space,
- Cooperation in the field of legal education.

Approving the procedures and organising commissions, committees and task forces of the Congress.

**18 May 2007
Panel discussions on the problems of legal integration
in the European-Asian region**

**Topic for panel discussions
(general directions)**

1. Panel discussion «Member States of the European Union and other States of the European-Asian region: legal support of partnership and effective cooperation».
Topics for discussion:

- Issues of ensuring freedom of movement of capital and freedom of payments in relations between EU Member States and other States of the European-Asian region, prospects for removing legal and economic barriers;
- The EU and Russia: the experience of application of the Partnership Agreement (24 June 1994, Korfu) and prospects for improving the legal basis of partnership;
- Recognition and enforcement of court judgments and providing legal assistance on civil, tax and criminal matters.

2. Panel discussion «The Eurasian Economic Community: issues of developing common market and prospects for integration of legal systems». Topics for discussion:

- Legal issues of ensuring freedoms of movement of goods, services and capital in the framework of the Eurasian space;
- Customs union, issues of removing administrative barriers and harmonization of taxation systems;
- Defence of rights and freedoms in the courts of the Community: increasing effectiveness and prospects for developing an integrated system of jurisdiction;
- Issues of developing corporate law in the Community, cross-border reorganization and building corporate groups;
- Legal issues of double (multiple) taxation and model conventions;
- Control of migration in the Community and ensuring proper labour conditions;
- Legal support of energy security of the Community.

3. Panel discussion «The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation: legal issues of cooperation in the field of security». Topics for discussion:

- Legal forms and mechanisms of ensuring regional security in the fields of economy, environment, energy, struggle against extremism and terrorism, in overcoming regional separatism;
- Legal integration and cooperation as a means of ensuring stability and steady development of the region, forms of legal cooperation.

4. Panel discussion «Development of cooperation in the field of legal education and research: issues and prospects». Topics for discussion:

- Optimization of standards of legal education in the States of the European-Asian region;
- Development of research cooperation, exchange programmes and joint research projects;
- Prospects for integration of legal science and education in the European-Asian region.

Plenary meeting. Organising commissions, committees and task forces of the Congress. Determining the objectives and directions of the Congress in 2008.

Close of the Congress.