



A Long-Term Strategy for Global Sustainable Development Based on Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations: Scientific Foundations, Programs, Projects

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At the roundtable meeting of the 4th Forum of the UN Alliance of Civilizations organized by the Pitirim Sorokin — Nikolai Kondratieff International Institute, International Strategic Innovation and Technology Alliance, Foundation for the Innovative Development of the Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous District and Lebanese-Russian House with the assistance of the UN Alliance of Civilizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous District of the Russian Federation a report was discussed by an international team of scientists to the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, “Foundations of the Long-Term Strategy for Global Sustainable Development Based on Partnership of Civilizations”, programs and projects focused on the partnership of civilizations, educational books and monographs on these issues are presented.

As a result of discussions at the roundtable meeting the participants have reached the following conclusions and recommendations.

1. At the beginning of the 21st century humanity has turned face to face with a deep and protracted crisis of civilizations caused by the decline of the industrial world civilization, change of generations of local civilizations and transition to the third historical super-cycle in the dynamics of the global civilization.

Surmounting the crisis can be made on the basis of epochal and basic waves of innovations, civilizational revolution of the 21st century, which result in the formation of the integral, humanistically noospheric world civilization, acting on the principles of dialogue and partnership of the fifth generation of local civilizations, formation of the noosphere energy-ecological mode of production and consumption, integral economic and socio-cultural system.

These processes will require deep scientific understanding on the basis of the post-industrial paradigm of social sciences, long-range vision of unfolding global transformations and development of a long-term global strategy to ensure the implementation of innovative and breakthrough scenario and sustainable development based on partnership of civilizations.

The participants in the roundtable meeting welcome the initiative of an international team of scientists, prepared and submitted to the UN Global Roundtables the Global Outlook "Future of Civilizations" for 2050 (October 27, 2009) and report to the UN Conference on Sustainable Development, "Foundations of the Long-Term Strategy for Global Sustainable Development Based on Partnership of Civilizations" (28/06/2011) and recommend to the Preparatory Committee for the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Brazil, June 2012) with the support of the

UN Alliance of Civilizations examine the concept of scientists and identify the areas of elaborating a long-term strategy for sustainable development that meets the realities of the 21st century, for further consideration by the UN and the World Summit on Sustainable Development.

2. The participants of the roundtable share the view of the international team of scientists that the time is ripe for moving based on the dialogue among civilizations to their partnership in addressing major global challenges of a transition period, and appeal to the UN and its organizations, governments, businesses circles and non-governmental organizations, mass media to consider and proceed to the implementation programs and projects aimed at realizing a long-term global strategy for sustainable development based on partnership of civilizations:

- the International Energy-Ecological Program "Arctic Energy" focused on environmentally friendly development of energy resources in the Arctic on the principles of partnership of the Arctic states and civilizations, including holding the International Exhibition EXPO 2010 in Salekhard;

- the international project to build an intercontinental Eurasia-America transport link with a tunnel through the Bering Strait;

- creation of a multilingual Open Internet University of dialogue among cultures and civilizations and "Arctic" TV channel;

- representation the circumpolar (Arctic) civilization in museums around the world;

- publication of the international scientific and educational journal "The Partnership of Civilizations";

— delivering in 2013 in St. Petersburg and Salekhard the 4th World Congress of Global Civilization “Society and Nature: the Path to the Noospheric Civilization” dedicated to the 150th birth anniversary of V.I. Vernadsky;

— the implementation in 2012 of the international project “From Pole to Pole: Save Our Civilization Together”;

— Summing up at the International Exhibition in Salekhard “Expo Arctic-2015” the outcome of the International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People and researches into the historical past and prospects for the Arctic civilization within the International Polar Decade.

3. Given the complexity, versatility and duration of transformations occurring in the world that require a deep scientific study, the participants of the roundtable

recommend the UNESCO together with the UN Alliance of Civilizations:

— to support the project proposed by the Russian scientists to establish a multilingual scientific and educational portal “Global Scientific Heritage”;

— to form under the UNESCO the World Council for Long-Term Global Forecasting;

— to support the establishment in Russia under the auspices of the UNESCO the International Centre for Long-term Macro-forecasting, Strategic Planning and Innovative Programming.

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