

DOING BUSINESS IN RUSSIA



"Top business conference in the North of England demystifying peculiarities of doing business in Russia"

Russia has attracted a lot of attention over the past several years. Despite some negative publicity on a political level, UK businesses remain positive towards this lucrative and expanding market.



In the context of a political 'cool-down' over the past few years, trade between Russia and the UK has actually increased significantly, and is expected to continue. Many companies actively operating in Russia say that their business was not in any way affected by the political environment between the two countries.

In 2007 UK exports to Russia reached an all-time high of £2.8bn - an increase of 36% on 2006 figures. This makes Russia the UK's 16th largest export market. In 2006 more than half of the Russian imports were accounted for by machinery, equipment and transport, over 16% by chemicals and rubber and the next major sector was food products and agricultural raw materials.

Russia has a high potential for substantial long-term growth. With the election of a new President there are high expectations for the introduction of a range

of institutional and economic reforms necessary to complete the transition towards economic and political stability. Russia therefore remains a long-term market of great potential for UK exporters and investors.

The next major conference of the Russian-British Business Centre, Doing Business in Russia, takes place on 20 June at the Galpharm Stadium, Huddersfield. It will bring together a range of specialists from Russia and across the UK who will share their expertise in tax planning, legal issues, freight and customs, recruitment, certification, business training and other essential aspects of operating in the Russian market.

Enormous opportunities exist for companies in the Yorkshire region in this emerging market, whether you are a small company interested in exploring opportunities in Russia or a large company with existing expertise in global production and trade.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

0800 – 0850	Registration, coffee and tea
0850 – 1040	Plenary sessions (UKTI Moscow, Russian-British Business Centre, Confederation of British Industry, Russo-British Chamber of Commerce)
1040 – 1100	Coffee break
1100 – 1300	Plenary sessions (Albion Overseas, Antal International, GSL Law & Consulting, Hammonds LLP, SCG London)
1300 – 1430	Lunch and networking (sponsored by Principle Group Ltd.)
1430 – 1530	Simultaneous Round Table sessions by Sector (<i>Travel, Tax planning and Legal issues, Recruitment, Freight and Customs, Certification, Business training, Sochi 2014 Olympic Games</i>)
1530 – 1545	Coffee break
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1345 – 1645	“Meet the specialist” individual face-to-face consultation with a specialist (must be booked in advance)
1700 – 1930	Drinks reception (sponsored by Hammonds LLP)

REGISTRATION DETAILS

I would like to attend the Russian British Business Centre conference on Friday 20th June 2008

Please note: An administration charge of £65 (inc VAT) will be required from delegates to cover venue hire, refreshments etc. Please register and make your full payment before 4 June to secure your place at this popular event.

Please send this form with a cheque, made payable to the University of Huddersfield, for £65 to:

The Russian-British Business Centre
Larchfield Building
University of Huddersfield Business School
Queensgate, Huddersfield HD1 3DH

Alternatively, should you wish to pay by credit card please email rbbc@hud.ac.uk to request a special registration form, fill it in and post to the address above or to the fax number +44 (0) 1484 473148.

Person attending and position _____
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