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May Highlights 2017

On **May 11th** SPIBA held the event in the new format – Consular Breakfast. The meeting was in the U.S. General Consulate in St. Petersburg. Thomas Leary, the Consul General, made welcome remarks and the overview of U.S. Consulate activities in St. Petersburg. John Fletcher, Consular Chief, presented the overview of visas and travel updates. Heather Byrnes, Commercial Chief, talked about the functioning of Commercial Section and services to provide services for Russian and international companies.

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On **May 15th** SPIBA together with Consulate General of the Netherlands and St. Petersburg Institute of Law named after Prince P.G. Oldenburgsky organized business meeting dedicated to interaction between NGOs, authorities and business in the field of ecological responsibility issues. After the welcome speech of Hugo Brouwer, Deputy Consul General of the Netherlands, the word was taken by Isabella Brand, a judge from the Netherlands. Isabella spoke about the sensational case «Urgenda vs. the Netherlands», when Hague District Court has ruled that the State must take

more action to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions in the Netherlands at least 25% by 2020. Such a judgment addressed to the government was the first of its kind in the world. Apart from Isabella Brand during the meeting there were presentations by Oleg Bokov, CEO of HEINEKEN Brewery, HEINEKEN Breweries, Maxim Titov, Executive Director, Research Center of the European University in St. Petersburg, and Angelina Davidova, Director at Russian-German Bureau of Environmental Information and environmental journal.

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On **May 24th** in the Residence of the Consul General of Belgium in St. Petersburg SPIBA held business event "Investment climate: Rating "Doing Business". The guest speaker was Igor Deviatko, Head of ASI Regional Network Support Management. Igor shared with the





audience the information about measures to improve the investment climate in the Russian Federation and regions, the implementation of projects related to the formation of favorable conditions for doing business, attracting investment in the territorial entities of the Russian Federation and improving the efficiency of regional management teams.

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May events 2017

May 12th

Quality of life Committee:

The Formula of Health Interactive seminar “Hygiene in the modern world: From theory to practice”

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May 17th

Breakfast with the Director – Maxim Ivanov, President and co-owner of the Galactika Group of Companies

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May 18th

Legal Committee:

Legal Debating Club: Bankruptcy cases: successful cases, practical aspects of dispute management, expectations of business..

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May 23rd

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May 26th

Finance Committee:

New vectors of the development of electronic document management in Russia. The view of the Federal Tax Service of Russia

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Events calendar for June 2017

Date	Title	Description	Location
Friday 02/06 19:00	English speaking club with Zoran	Discussion club	SPIBA office 21 Nevsky pr., office 506
Monday 05/06 15:00	Discussion	SPIEF follow-up – discussion about the strategic development of companies based on various economic clusters examples	7 Kazanskaya ul., St.Petersburg
Tuesday 06/06 13:00	Look@It	Look@Toyota Motor	115A Sofijskaya ul., Shushary, Leningrad region
Wednesday 07/06 15:30	Video conference	Use of agile approaches to create innovative products	Office Dentons, Jensen House, 32-34 Nevsky pr., 5th floor
Wednesday 14/06 09:30	Seminar	Director's new adventures in Russia	Mertens House, 21 Nevsky pr., hall on the 6 th floor
Friday 16/06 10:00	Committee on Quality of life	The practice of new tourism – St. Petersburg on the eve of Confederations Cup and preparations for FIFA World Cup 2018	3A Mayakovskogo ul., Novotel
Friday 16/06 15:00	Finance Committee	Transition to a new order for application of cash registers (CR) Speaker: A.Sorokin , FTS Russia	Mertens House, 21 Nevsky pr., conference hall on the 6 th floor
Friday 16/06 19:00	English speaking club with Zoran	Discussion club	SPIBA office 21 Nevsky pr., office 506
Friday 23/06 10:00	Marketing & Communication s Committee	Media Meeting: Natalia Dobrova, Editor-in-Chief of RBC Petersburg; Evgeny Zinin, General Director, RBC Petersburg	Conference Hall Atelier99, Hotel Domina Prestige, 99 Moika Embankment

Friday 23/06 19:00	English speaking club with Zoran	Discussion club	SPIBA office 21 Nevsky pr., office 506
Wednesday 28/06 09:30	Legal Committee	Discussion of logistics and customs issues	TBC
TBC 18:30	SPIBA General Meeting	Topic: Environmental protection - an essential part of the enterprises and organizations activities in the North-West Federal District	TBC
Friday 30/06 19:00	English speaking club with Zoran	Discussion club	SPIBA office 21 Nevsky pr., office 506

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