Press Release

HEC Paris and Lomonosov State University Faculty of Political Sciences
sign General Agreement of Cooperation

On March 29th 2013, on the occasion of an open lecture held at the Lomonosov State University’s Faculty of Political Sciences and given by Professor Bernard Ramanantsoa, Dean of HEC Paris the two academic institutions signed a general Agreement of Cooperation.

In the framework of a common policy of international development, the agreement includes student and faculty exchanges, joint research activities, collaboration on curriculum development, and organization of joint academic and scientific events, such as summer schools and symposiums. It will also open new options for students of both institutions pursuing an international career.

“We are quite aware of the reputation of HEC Paris School of Management,” asserts Professor Nikolay Semin, MSU Pro-Rector for International Affairs, “and a collaboration between HEC Paris and Lomonosov State University is highly welcome. This agreement will also contribute to strengthening the traditional friendship between France and Russia.”

“We would like to consider it as a first step towards cooperation between two major educational institutions,” states Professor Andrey Yu. Shutov, Dean of the Faculty of Political Sciences at Lomonosov State University, “and we are very much looking forward to further developing closer links through academic, cultural and scientific collaboration.”

The agreement constitutes a significant step forward in the relationships between HEC Paris and Russia. “This agreement,” says Dean Bernard Ramanantsoa, “meets the academic requirements of both institutions and responds well to student demand and to the needs of both national and international companies; it marks a new step in the development of HEC Paris in Russia.”

About HEC Paris
Specialized in education and research in management, HEC Paris offers a complete and unique range of educational programs for the leaders of tomorrow: Masters Programs, MBA, PhD, HEC Executive MBA and TRIUM Global Executive MBA. Founded in 1881 by the Paris Chamber of Commerce and Industry and founding member of ParisTech, HEC Paris has a permanent faculty of 110 professors, more than 4,000 students and over 8,500 managers and executives in training every year. The HEC Alumni Association has a contingent of 45,000 alumni based worldwide in 127 countries. There are an ever-increasing number of HEC alumni in Russia, currently around 200, who are mainly based in Moscow, St Petersburg, and Ekaterinburg.

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About Lomonosov State University
Established in 1755, Moscow State University is one of the oldest Russian institutions of higher education, named in 1940 after the Russian academic and scientist Mikhail Lomonosov (1711 - 1765), who greatly contributed to its establishment. Since its foundation, the University has been constantly growing and encompassing new branches of learning and research of modern science and humanities (39 faculties today). More than 40,000 students - graduate and postgraduate - and about 7,000 undergraduates study at the University, and over 5,000 specialists do the refresher course here. Every year MSU enrolls about 4,000 international students and postgraduates from all over the world. It counts more than 6,000 professors and lecturers and about 5,000 researchers.
MSU library system is one of the largest in Russia, with 9,000,000 books - 2,000,000 of them in foreign languages. MSU is ranked 1st in Russia and 33rd worldwide.
The department of political sciences was one of the original ten departments of MSU in 1755.
The Faculty of Political Science was founded in 2008, with the objective to train specialists on the basis of the classical university traditions combined with modern international expertise and innovative research in the field of practical politics. Graduates are highly-qualified specialists majoring in various specific subjects such as History and Theory of Politics, the History of Political Doctrines, Political Analysis and Forecasting, Comparative Politics, State Policy and Administration, World Politics, International Policy and Geopolitics, Political Processes in Russia, Electoral Systems and Election Processes, Political Informatics and Research and Information Analysis, Global Studies, Ecological Political Science, and others.

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