



**The Baltic Region in the New Geopolitical Framework
May 15-17, 1998
Novgorod, Russia**

Dr. Allen H. Kassof
President

Livia B. Plaks
Executive Director

Schedule

Thursday, May 14

Arrival of participants
19:00 Dinner at the Beresta Hotel

Friday, May 15

8:00-9:00 Breakfast
9:00-9:30 Opening of the conference
Alexei M. Salmin, President, Russian Public Policy Center; Member, Presidential Council of Russian Federation;
Mikhail M. Prusak, Governor, Novgorod Oblast; Chairman, Foreign Relations Committee of the Federation Council of Russia;
Allen H. Kassof, President, Project on Ethnic Relations
9:30-11:30 Conference discussion
11:30-11:45 Coffee break
11:45-13:30 Conference discussion
13:30-14:30 Lunch at the Beresta Hotel
14:30-16:45 Conference discussion
17:00-19:00 Visit to the St. Sofia Cathedral; Faceted Chambers; Thousand Years of Russia Monument.
19:00 Dinner at the Detinets Restaurant; Folklore Concert

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Saturday, May 16

8:00-9:00 Breakfast
9:00-11:30 Conference discussion
11:30-11:45 Coffee break
11:45-14:00 Conference discussion
14:00-15:00 Lunch at the Beresta Hotel
15:00-16:30 Conference discussion
16:30-16:45 Coffee break
16:45-18:00 Conference discussion; Concluding remarks
18:30 Reception at the Beresta Hotel. Sponsored by *ICN Pharmaceuticals*.

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Sunday, May 17

8:30-9:30 Breakfast
10:00 Visit to the Museum of Wooden Art
Departure of participants

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1. Entry into Europe: implications for democratization and identity:
 - visions of country's (region's) motivation for entering Europe;
 - European institutions and standards: requirements for domestic development;
 - perceptions of self and neighbors and their policy implications.
2. Openness as a prerequisite of new security in the region:
 - concepts of national security;
 - regional confidence-building measures;
 - role of international and European institutions in promoting security.
3. Cooperation across borders: framework, spheres, prospects:
 - priorities of cooperation with neighbors for each country (region);
 - most promising areas of cooperation (economy, transportation, joint projects, etc).

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