



NEW RUDN – HARVARD INITIATIVE BRINGS WORLD-CLASS SCHOLARSHIP TO EMERGING MARKET ISSUES

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MOSCOW, RUSSIA. A new research initiative launched in January at RUDN University in Moscow aims to become a world-leading academic hub for the study and analysis of emerging markets.

Benefiting from a committed team of experts from different parts of the world, the **International Center for Emerging Markets Research (ICEMR)** is based at RUDN University in Moscow. The ICEMR is now seeking internal and external funding to support an impressive range of research and academic activities, including a rich working agenda and novel research. The ICEMR will benefit from innovative research working groups, who will focus on experimental economics and green technologies, among other areas. These areas of research will be novel for all researchers and scholars who study emerging markets. ICEMR is planning to establish working groups on energy, corporate finance and banking in emerging markets. In April 2017, ICEMR plans to take part in the *"New Reality" and Emerging Markets* conference at Harvard University, with the overarching goal of publishing some of the top papers in the International Journal of Trade and Global Markets, which will be part of the new RUDN University based initiative.

The efforts of the ICEMR will be led by Scientific Director Prof. Bruno S. Sergi. **Bruno S. Sergi** is an associate at Harvard University's Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies and a lecturer at Harvard University Extension School.

The extraordinary initiative launched at RUDN University goes back to a meeting in August 2016 on the campus of Harvard University, between **Andrey Berezin**, a representative of RUDN University, and Prof. Sergi, who visited the Faculty of Economics at RUDN University from 16 to 24 November 2016, in hopes of developing a mutually feasible research cooperation.

During his visit to RUDN University, Prof. Sergi lectured students from the Faculty of Economics and IMEB on the following topics:

1. Building sustainable development through restructuring economic models: Comparing Asia and Eastern Europe;
2. Central banking and the QE in Euro area;
3. The economics of migration and how macroeconomics could deal with it; and
4. The IT Economy.

On 21 November, RUDN University's First Vice-Rector, Kirabaev Nur Serikovich, Economic Department Dean Moseykin Yuri Nikitich, Profs Gussakov Nikolai Pavlovich and Matyushok Vladimir Mikhailovich, Ass. Prof. Balashova Svetlana Alekseevna, Andrey Berezin and Prof. Bruno Sergi met to discuss the establishment of the ICEMR. The RUDN University Academic Council approved the initiative on 26 December 2016.

ABOUT RUDN UNIVERSITY

RUDN University is one of the leading research universities in Europe. Based in Moscow, It is one of the leading state higher educational institutions in Russia. It is the only university in the world to unite students from 145-150 countries every year. RUDN University has a multiple structure of faculties and majors, typical for classical universities. More than 77,000 graduates from RUDN University work in 170 countries, including 5,500 PhD and Doctorate degree holders. For more information visit www.rudn.ru.

ABOUT THE DAVIS CENTER FOR RUSSIAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES

The Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies is the intellectual home of Harvard scholars and students with an interest in this critical region of the world. The Center's mission is fourfold: To generate and disseminate original research and scholarship on Russian and Eurasian studies; to promote the training of graduate and undergraduate students interested in the region; to create and sustain a community of scholars at all levels of academic achievement; and to ensure that society at large benefits from the exchange of information and ideas at the Davis Center. For more information visit www.daviscenter.fas.harvard.edu

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