

The Polytechnic University is the First Russian University to Open its Representative Office in China

April 21, 2016, in the Pudong New Area, Shanghai (PRC), Peter the Great St. Petersburg Polytechnic University (SPbPU) held the opening ceremony of its representative office. The Polytechnic University has been the first Russian University to establish a representative office in China.



The decision to set up the representative office in China was made in November 2015 in the course of the [visit of the delegation of the Pudong New Area, Shanghai, to SPbPU](#). The leaders of the Polytechnic University made great efforts to implement the project, which has resulted into the opening of the representative office that is housed in a modern building on the territory of the High-Tech Park in the Pudong New Area, Shanghai.



Before the opening ceremony the delegation from SPbPU, headed by Rector A.I. Rudskoy, visited the Administration of the Pudong New Area, Shanghai, where they signed the cooperation agreement and the agreement about SPbPU representative office. In order to support the initiative of our University to set up the representative office in Shanghai, President of the University of Applied Sciences Wildau (Germany) Prof. Dr. László Ungvári arrived in China. In the course of the meeting Russian and Chinese partners discussed cooperation between SPbPU and the Pudong New Area, Shanghai, in particular, in terms of benefits for the representative office. Besides, the outcome of this meeting was signing the framework agreement on cooperation between SPbPU and Zhangjiang High-tech Area Management Committee.



The Head of the Administration of the Pudong New Area, Shanghai, presented Rector A.I. Rudskoy with a golden key as a symbol of future discoveries, victories, wisdom and ingenuity; as an instrument of achievements and accomplishments. This action started the opening ceremony. "Our University is going through very important events, - stated SPbPU Rector A.I. Rudskoy. - We are the first Russian University to open its representative office in Shanghai, we are moving into a new phase of cooperation with our Chinese partners. Taking into account that China is the main strategic partner of our country today and the Polytechnic University is the leader of Russian engineering universities, our goal is to maintain and to expand scientific, technological, educational and cultural cooperation between our countries".



According to SPbPU Vice-rector for International Relations D.G. Arseniev, who also participated in the opening of the representative office, Shanghai office will help the University settle science and technology relations with both educational and business communities of PRC and other states of the Asia - Pacific Region.

"Presence in Shanghai - one of the largest Chinese cities, major industrial, financial and cultural center - is extremely important for our University and the prestige of the Russian higher education as a whole", - said Dmitry G. Arseniev.



The Head of the Administration of the Pudong New Area, Shanghai, confirmed that setting up the representative office of the Polytechnic University was significant for both parties, and promised all necessary aid and assistance to the new office.

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