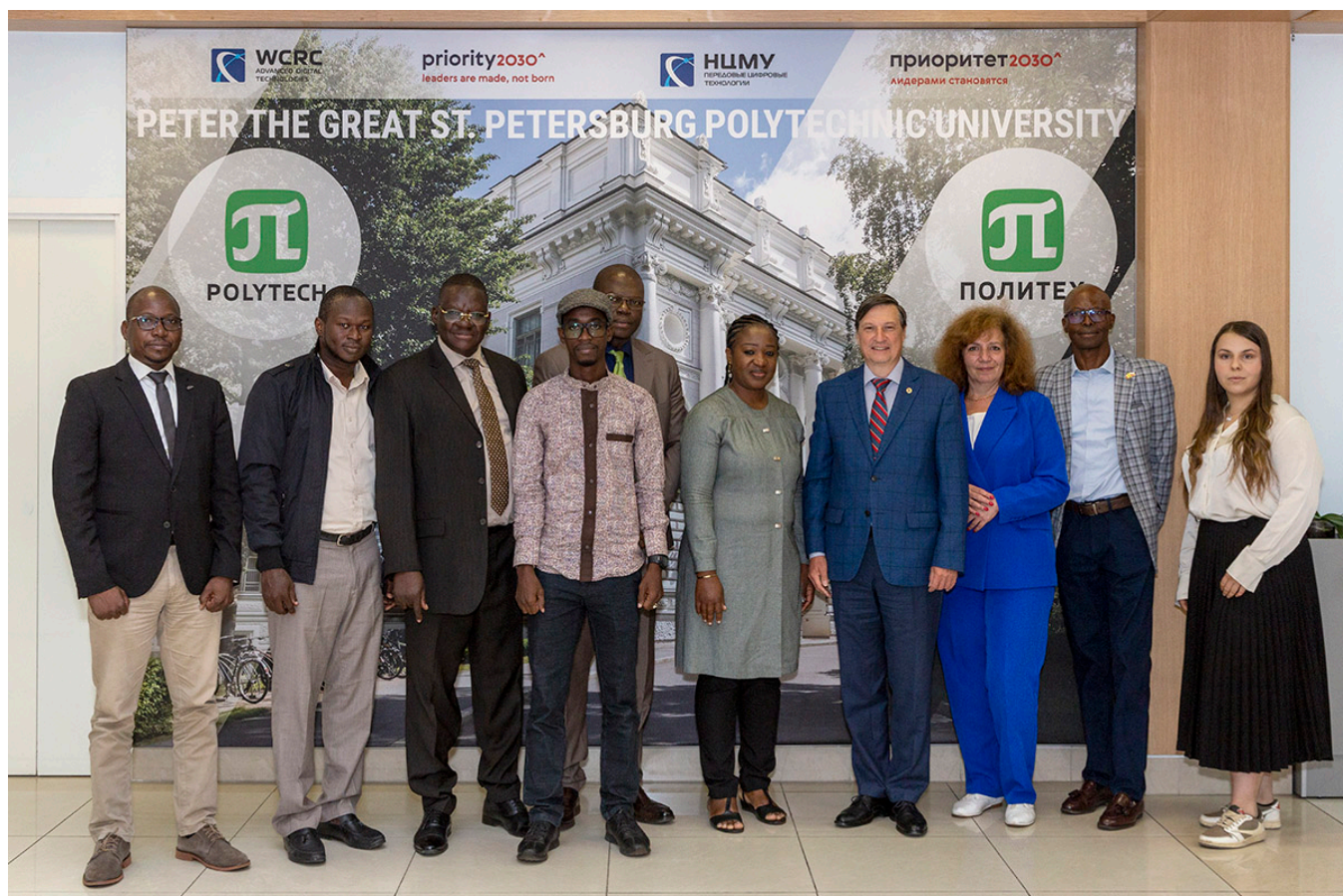


## RAFU Summer University opened at SPbPU

On September 16, a representative delegation of the National Center for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research of the Republic of Mali, headed by Ousmane Guindo, visited the Polytechnic University. He is the technical advisor responsible for administrative and institutional matters.



This year, 19 Russian universities participating in the Russian-African Network University (RAFU) are holding RAFU Summer University programs for advanced training of more than 270 African citizens. From September 16 to 22, representatives of the National Center will undergo training on six training modules.

The delegation was welcomed by Dmitry Arseniev, Vice-Rector for International Relations of SPbPU, Alla Mazina, Secretary of the RAFU Presidium, Deputy Head of the International Cooperation Department of SPbPU, and Issa Togo, Honorary Consul of Mali in St. Petersburg.



Today we stand on the threshold of new opportunities in the field of artificial intelligence and advanced technologies. Our main task is to train qualified personnel capable of making a meaningful contribution to the development of science and technology. It is important to remember that at the heart of everything is a deep understanding of higher mathematics, which forms a solid foundation for future achievements. We are proud that our university maintains strong math schools that have been a source of talented engineers and scientists working around the world. Our team is ready to open doors for internships and cooperation with young scientists to move forward together, Dmitry Arseniev greeted the guests.





Mr. Ousmane Guindo thanked for the reception and introduced Professor Sogoba Jacqueline Konate, Head of the National Center for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics.

We are delighted to have the opportunity to visit Polytechnic University, one of the leading engineering universities in Russia. This collaboration is of particular importance to Africa and has been going on for decades. Many generations of scientists and researchers have received a Russian education, which has been the foundation of their success. Today we strive to adopt this experience, to train a qualified cadre of teachers capable of contributing to the development of science and technology in the Republic of Mali. Interaction with Polytechnic University opens up new opportunities for us. These are internships, joint projects, academic mobility. And we are confident that together we will be able to achieve significant results, said Mr. Ousmane Guindo.

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