## SPbPU signed agreements with leading universities in Algeria

Algeria hosted the 12th meeting of the mixed intergovernmental Russian-Algerian commission on trade, economic, scientific and technical cooperation, chaired by Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation Dmitry Patrushev. Polytechnic University, as a coordinator of the Russian-African Network University (RAFU) consortium, took part in the meeting of this commission as a member of the delegation of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, headed by Deputy Minister Konstantin Mogilevsky.



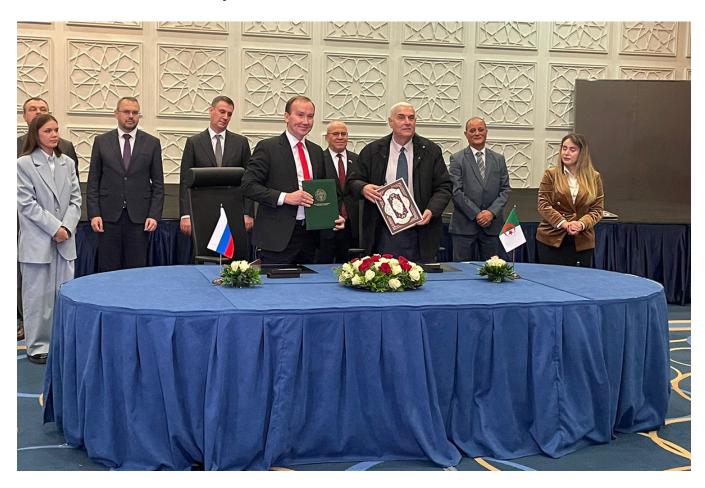
Konstantin Mogilevsky held a meeting with Algerian Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research Kamel Baddari, where further steps to strengthen cooperation were discussed. The focus was on academic exchanges and scientific interaction.

Many young Algerians show interest in Russian education, including mathematical and technical specialties, so educational cooperation between our countries has the broadest prospects, said Konstantin Mogilevsky.

Dmitry Patrushev emphasized that the dialogue within the framework of the Russian-Algerian intergovernmental commission has proved its effectiveness and

has become a key mechanism of cooperation in a wide range of areas. Algeria is one of Russia's leading trade partners in Africa.

Within the framework of the commission meeting, inter-university agreements in the field of academic exchanges and joint educational programs were signed between St. Petersburg Polytechnic University (SPbPU) and a number of Algerian universities, including Ouari Bouamedienne University of Science and Technology (Algiers), Abdelhamid Ibn Badis University (Mostaganem), National School of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology (Algiers) and Abou El Kassem Saadallah University (Algiers 2). In addition, three Algerian universities joined the Russian-African Network University consortium.



The National School of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology organized a conference for students and staff of the university. Employees of Polytechnic University presented the main educational programs of SPbPU, features and ways of admission (quota of the Government of the Russian Federation, International Olympiad «Open Doors: Russian scholarship»), discussed the development of educational and scientific cooperation between the two universities. The conference participants asked questions about Master's degree and PhD studies, scientific cooperation, development of academic mobility, joint short-term programs (summer and winter schools). Students of the National School expressed their interest in cooperation with SPbPU within the framework of student associations or international student projects. In addition, an agreement was

reached on mutual participation in the Visiting Professor program in nanotechnology and related disciplines.



Algeria is an important partner for Russia, the history of our cooperation has a very rich history. Thanks to the support of the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research of Algeria, Mr. Kamel Baddari, who is a graduate of a Russian university and speaks excellent Russian, the cooperation between the universities of Russia and Algeria continues to develop actively.

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