

SibFU Rector met Ambassador of India

On August 26th a delegation from the Embassy of the Republic of India led by Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Mr Raghavan paid a visit to SibFU.

The Deputy Head of the Regional Administration, the Deputy Minister of Economic Development, Investment Policy and Foreign Affairs of Krasnoyarsk region, as well as the rectors of Krasnoyarsk universities took part in the meeting.

In his greeting speech, the Rector of SibFU Prof. Eugene A. Vaganov noted that Krasnoyarsk universities are interested in enhancing the relationship, starting with student exchange programs and to building joint scientific and research laboratories in collaboration with business partners as major stakeholders.

According to Mr Raghavan, establishment of contacts in educational field is one of the particular priorities in his work: "Nowadays about 200 thousand Indian students in the USA and 100 thousand in Australia get their education, while in Russia there are only a little more than 4 thousand Indian students . I am certain that the both countries are interested in increasing this number, as well as a number of Russian students in India".

The Ambassador also shared his vision of the ways to achieve this goal. For instance, Indian-Russian association of universities has proven to successfully contribute to various programs on academic mobility and teachers' professional development. Moreover, a number of intergovernmental scientific and educational projects have been either signed or prepared for the final phase.

Mr Raghavan believes that Krasnoyarsk universities can enhance the collaboration by holding Russian language summer schools in India. In conclusion, he encouraged Russian students to take professional courses at Indian universities, where they are fully funded by the host country. The detailed list of suggestions on collaboration between universities in India and Krasnoyarsk has been handed to the Indian party by the Rector of SibFU.

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