

RSHU-GASU
bilateral working meeting
Gorno-Altaiisk
September 6-10, 2021

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01. Organizers

This meeting was jointly organized by Gorno-Altaiisk State University and Russian State Hydrometeorological University.



List of participants (Annex 1_Attendance List):

1. Bikezina Tatiana - Vice-Rector for Economic Affairs, RSHU
2. Timofeeva Anna - Director of the Institute of Continuing Education, RSHU
3. Iurkova Natalia - Assistant to the Rector for International Affairs, GASU
4. Sukhova Mariia - Vice-Rector for Science and Innovations, GASU
5. Bondarenko Aleksei - Vice-Rector for Continuing Education, GASU
6. Dolgova Natalia - Head of the Center for Further Education, GASU
7. Klimova Oxana - Dean of the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Geography, GASU
8. Sarbasheva Surna - Dean of the Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU
9. Gazukina Yulia - Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Law, GASU
10. Merdesheva Elena - Head of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, GASU
11. Zhuravleva Olga - Associate Professor of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, GASU
12. Bannikova Olga - Associate Professor of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, GASU
13. Kartasheva Olga - Associate Professor of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, GASU
14. Kuttubaeva Toskanai - Faculty of Economics and Law, GASU
15. Chistyakova Irina - Faculty of Economics and Law, GASU
16. Chochkina Maya - Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU

17. Kindikova Albina - Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU
18. Erlenbaeva Nadezhda - Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU
19. Kokpoev Urmat – MSc student, Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU
20. Sarina Tandalai – MSc student, Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, GASU
21. Achimova Altynai - Director of Gorno-Altaiisk Botanical Garden



02. Meeting objective

GASU and RSHU have been partner universities since 2017. Initially, the cooperation arose within the framework of the SUNRAISE project, during the implementation of which two international summer schools, a scientific conference, several educational seminars and trainings were jointly held. In 2020, a bilateral cooperation agreement was signed between the universities designed to bring joint work to a new level and to continue active collaboration upon completion of the SUNRAISE project. Therefore, the purpose of this very visit was to discuss specific joint activities for the coming years in order to ensure the SUNRAISE project sustainability.

03. Meeting description

On September 7, the delegates from St. Petersburg met with the representatives of GASU administration and deans of three faculties - Natural Sciences and Geography, Economics and Law, and Altaic and Turkic Studies. Much attention was paid to the discussion of possible scientific cooperation and the development of joint BSc and MSc programs. Participants from both universities (Timofeeva Anna - Director of the Institute of Continuing Education, RSHU, and Bondarenko Aleksei - Vice-Rector for Continuing Education, GASU) also presented their experience in and vision on the development of further education courses, including online courses for LLLearners.



On September 7-8, RSHU delegates had meetings with teaching staff and MSc students of the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Geography, the Faculty of Economics and Law, and the Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies, got acquainted with the directions of their training and scientific work, and visited laboratories and museums.



On September 9, RSHU partners visited Gorno-Altaiisk Botanical Garden (GABG) in the village of Kamlak. The director of GABG Altynai Achimova told them about basic activities of the garden and its close cooperation with GASU on various educational and scientific issues.



On September 10, for RSHU team there was also organized a study visit to GASU field camp at Lake Teletskoye.

04. Results

All meetings turned out to be very fruitful. The participants considered the possibilities of scientific partnership on the issues of climate change, ecology, and sustainable development. Of particular interest was the discussion of the program for the development of carbon polygons in Russia and the prospects for creating one in the Altai Republic. Further opportunities for collaboration could also include research activities on indigenous peoples, which are actively pursued by the RSHU “Polar Academy” Institute and the Faculty of Altaic and Turkic Studies of GASU. The participants discussed the possibility of organizing joint student practices and summer schools at the field training bases of RSHU in the village of Daimishche and on the Valaam Island and GASU field camp at Lake Teletskoye. Much attention is





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expected to be paid to the development and launching of joint educational courses and programs, including those to be designed in partnership with other universities within the framework of international project.

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