THE WINNERS OF THE INNOVATION AWARDS COMPETITION HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED

On September 17, 2018, the final of the Innovation Awards, which is the first Russian-Chinese competition of industrial innovations, was held in Xian (China).

The winners of the competition were Anton Ovchinnikov with his project for Titanium mesh for enhancement and regeneration of soft tissues, and Jinxin (Northwest Polytechnical University) with the project for GLASSFIX face recognition system. In total, 14 representatives from the Russian and Chinese sides participated in the competition with their projects in the fields of big data, artificial intelligence, computing systems, robotics, electronics for communications and new materials.

The winners of the competition were determined by a panel of judges, who included representatives of the biggest innovative companies from the Chinese side - Lenovo, Tsinghua Unigroup, China Core Investment Management Co. Ltd., China Electronics Corporation and Ningxia Western Cloud Data Technology Co. Ltd. From the Russian side, the experts were Pavel Kutsko, the director of the FSUE MNIIRIP, Alexander Yakunin, the general director of JSC Voentelecom, Yuri Kucherov, the general director of NIIVK named after M.A. Kartsev, Sergey Sorokin, the general designer of JSC NIIVK named after M.A. Kartseva, and Sergey Orlov, the lead specialist and expert in foreign trade activities of JSC MNITI.

Alena Fomina, the General Director of Electronics Central Research Institute, Wang Xinje, the Chief Economist of the Ministry of Industry and Information of China, and Jian Guansion,the Deputy Director General of CIETC, delivered welcoming speeches at the Award Ceremony.

The Innovative Radio Electronics competition has been held in Russia for 5 years. Over the years we have been able to collaborate with 60 leading universities across the entire territory of our country - from Kaliningrad to Vladivostok. Under our program over 1,700 participants were able to present over 1,000 projects, and the best of the projects were selected to participate in the new Russian-Chinese Innovation Awards competition.

I hope that holding such events will promote the relationship between our countries to a new level as it will reinforce connections between representatives of the governments and major corporations, and between representatives of small innovative businesses. "I have observed that many of our participants have already met their Chinese colleagues and are actively sharing experiences in development of innovative projects", Alena Fomina said in her welcoming speech.

The awarding ceremony for the competition winners and for participants who obtained the second and third degree diplomas will be held on September 21, 2018 in Kunming at the meeting of the Subcommission for Industrial Cooperation of the Russian-Chinese Commission for preparation of regular meetings of the heads of the governments and will be attended by Denis Manturov, the RF Minister of Industry and Trade and by Miao Wei, the Minister of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China. Before the awarding ceremony all participants of the competition will have the interesting educational program, including visits to cultural and engineering facilities: on September 18 - the Fengdong New City China & Russia Silk Road Innovation Park, and the mausoleum of Emperor Qin Shi Huang and the Terracotta Army; on September 19 - Innovation and Entrepreneurial Forum of the Northwest Polytechnical University, and the Historical Museum of Shaanxi Province.

The Innovation Awards competition was organized by Electronics Central Research Institute jointly with the Centre for International Economy and Technological Cooperation (CIETC) of the Ministry of Industry

and Information Technology of China. The memorandum of the competition established was signed between the organizations in 2017 in Kazan at the meeting of the Sub-Commission for industrial cooperation of the Russian-Chinese Commission for preparation of regular meetings of the heads of the governments.