**HSE Conference on Foresight. Showcasing scientific achievements and perspectives**

Today, science itself is an object of research. The results of a complex multidisciplinary analysis allow scientists to understand better how the frontier is changing in different subject areas, while offering policymakers a guidance for making evidence-based decisions for long-term planning. On October 19–20, Higher School of Economics will host 6th Academic Conference “Foresight and Science, Technology and Innovation Policy” with the aim to discuss new instruments and results of the analysis of the current state of science and to identify potential pathways for its development.

The conference is organised annually by HSE Institute for Statistical Studies and Economics of Knowledge, which includes International Research and Educational Foresight Centre, a Regional UNIDO centre for technology foresight in Russia and the CIS. The conference will bring together leading experts in the field of futures studies from Austria, Brazil, Great Britain, Hungary, Canada, China, Malta, Russia, the USA, and South Korea. The speakers will present 14 papers in each of two sessions.

**October, 19. Thematic focus of the session: “Science and Technology Foresight”**

How does one collect and analyse data on science, technology and innovation in order to make well-balanced decisions in this field in the era of Big Data?

Are there any specific features of the regulation of research and technology sector in emerging economies? What is the impact of smart specialization on national development?

What are the underlying principles for scientific agenda formation in Russia and China? Are there prospects for Green production development in Russia?

What scenarios of agricultural and food industries development does the government consider?

How will the economic paradigm shift in the low carbon future? What will the occupational pattern look like by 2050?

Why should one monitor emerging technologies and the implementation of S&T priorities? How can network collaboration of researchers respond to the challenges in the field of open innovations? Finally, how can large companies intensify their innovation strategies using Foresight and Technology roadmaps?

**October, 20. Thematic focus of the session: “Science, Technology and Innovation Policy”**

How is the role of the state and the market evolving in technological progress? Can the formation of an innovation ecosystem optimize policy design as a whole? To what degree are Russian industrial enterprises involved in research and development? How do Russian research institutions perceive new instruments of S&T policy?

Institutions play an increasing role in technology transfer. How is the entrepreneurial university paradigm being reconsidered? Some countries stake on the imitation in their strategies of creating innovation economy. How successful is this experience?

What kind of framework conditions affect the innovation efficiency? Cases of Hungary and Sao Paulo state (Brazil) will be analysed.

What Russian regions play a leading role in the field of innovations? How do regions respond to new challenges in innovation policy? What are the conditions for the successful development of innovative clusters in Russia? What assumptions for policy does the analysis of cooperative innovation strategies of Russian enterprises offer? User innovations stimulate revision of the classical model of innovation development. How did this model emerge during the Soviet Era and how is it developing now?

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