

#### MEPhI CONFIRMS ITS HIGH STATUS, TAKING 2ND PLACE AMONG RUSSIAN **UNIVERSITIES IN RANKING** OF U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT



The ranking of US News & World Report has placed MEPhI on the 465th place in the world, 202th place in Europe and 2nd place in Russia (after Lomonosov Moscow State University, which is 227th). In physics MEPhI is on the 127th place in the world (MSU on the 23rd) and also the 2nd in Russia.

Along with the global positioning in the world educational space US News & World Report gives a breakdown of MEPhI's rating results on individual indicators:

**Overall rating:** 

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of publications in international coauthorship. **Physics ranking:** 

80th place - reputation in the field of physics;

13th place – reputation in the field of physics in Europe.

Today US News & World Report is one of the most famous and influential media companies in the United States. In addition to news, advice to consumers and analysis of stock markets it compiles its own rankings, earning great reputation in the world over the many years. In collaboration with Thomson Reuters the company conducts research in the field of higher education, health, career, travel, financial 20th place in the world – share and automotive markets.

Happy anniversary,

#### **MEPHI ACHIEVES GREAT PROGRESS** IN THE WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING



National Research Nuclear University "MEPhI" has entered the ranking of the best universities in the world by the Times Higher Education World University Ranking (THE) with other 12 Russian universities.

MEPhI was included in the group 301-350 and together with Kazan Federal University took 4-5 place among the Russian participants of the rating. Then there are Novosibirsk State University and St. Petersburg State University (401-500 group), Bauman Moscow State University (501-600), Moscow Institute of Physics and

Technology, MISIS, Southern Federal University, Tomsk State University and Ural Federal University (601-800).

Last year there were only two Russian higher educational institutions in the ranking. As the head of the Interfax research group "National University rankings" Alexey Chaplygin noted, this year THE had published a more detailed rating – up to 800 positions. If the year before there were only two Russian universities - Lomonosov Moscow State University and Novosibirsk State University and the rest remained "behind the scenes", now the range has expanded, and as many as 13 universities joined the rankings. "Still we have to analyze their positions, but it is encouraging for the participants of the project 5-100

and the educational system as a whole", the representative of the expert community said.

"It's good news that 13 Russian universities entered the list, and five universities are in the top 400 (including MEPhI – ed.). In the last five years Russia has made great efforts to improve its system of higher education, including project 5-100, which aimed to include at least five Russian universities in the top 100 of world rankings by 2020. It seems that universities are already reaping the benefits of this program", the editor of THE rankings Phil Baty said.

"But Russia should continue its active work to vie with such large competitors, such as China, who also is seriously invested in higher education", the chief editor added.

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This year Russian nuclear industry celebrates its anniversary. 70 years ago, on August 20, 1945, the decree of the State Defense Committee of the USSR established a Special Committee to control works on uranium. This date became the birthday of

Rosatom

the nuclear industry of the country. The nuclear industry is of the utmost importance for Russia. It is a reliable basis of its defence capability and national security, one of the key strategic sectors of the Russian economy.

Across the country there was held a largescale celebration events, and MEPhI, as a supporting university of Rosatom, which prepares highly-qualified specialists for the nuclear industry, also congratulates **Rosatom with anniversary!** 



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## MEPHI VISITED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF LEADING FOREIGN MASS MEDIA

ing more interested in Russia's best specifics of training of highly qualified Eventually it leads to the increase of its practices in nuclear energy, its national personnel. Visits by representatives of popularity in the global market of edudevelopment at the intersection of sci- foreign mass media are the most im- cational services and attractiveness for ence, perspectives of development of portant events to form openness of foreign students and lecturers.

Foreign media community is becom- nanotechnology and, of course, in the the University to the world community.



### **GUESTS IMPRESSED BY ENTHUSIASM OF MEPHI SCIENTISTS**

On October 13 MEPhI has been vis- by enthusiasm of Russian scientists ited by a group of journalists, repre- - representatives of different generasenting internationally renowned media – a leading Spanish news agency "EFE", a Cuban "Prensa Latina" TV and a broadcasting company "TV try", said our guests. Asahi".

Journalists got acquainted with presentation of the University made by the MEPhI Vice-rector O.V. Nagornov, received answers to their questions from the Vice-rector for science A.N. Petrovsky and heads of several scientific Departments, and then visited several Laboratories, such as the Laboratory of Nano-Bioengineering, Laboratory of Experimental Nuclear Physics, SEC NEVOD, Nanocenter, etc.

According to guests' review they were impressed not only by technical equipment of the University, but also

tions. "It will be difficult to convey the atmosphere of engagement into science to our audience, but we will



### FOREIGN STUDENTS EXPRESS THEIR UNANIMITY **ON QUALITY OF EDUCATION** AT UNIVERSITY



Representatives of leading mass media from Algeria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bulgaria, China, Hungary, India, Jordan, Turkey and other countries came to explore the possibilities of training specialists for nuclear facilities of the State Corporation "Rosatom". They took part in the meeting with University administration, faculty and directly with foreign students who now receive education at foreigners in MEPhI and others. the University.

programs of training and retraining of specialists for nuclear industry, cooperation with the IAEA, research carried out by postgraduates and scientists of the University, and stressed that MEPhI higher education? prepared excellent specialists across the entire spectrum of the nuclear industry.

Representatives of the foreign press asked a lot of questions: how many foreign students are studying in MEPhI, from which countries they are, how difficult it is for them to adapt in Russia. The head of the International Relations



Department answered all their questions and noted that the University created all conditions for foreign students for their successful study and self-realization in work and sport. Also journalists were interested in the cost of training, research works in the university, practice after graduation at the enterprises of Rosatom, increase in the number of

But, of course, the main purpose of MEPhI representatives told about the meeting was direct communication with foreign students who specifically came to talk about their studies and life in Russia. The main guestion of that day was – why they chose MEPhI to obtain

> Guys from Vietnam, Bangladesh, Turkey, Jordan, Palestine, Kazakhstan, Belarus, etc. who study in the University unanimously expressed confidence that "MEPhI will give us the right education that will allow to participate in the development of nuclear energy in our countries".







#### **DELEGATION REPRESENTING ATLAS GROUP FROM WEIZMANN INSTITUTE** OF SCIENCE (ISRAEL) VISITS MEPHI

MEPhI has been visited by a delegation representing the ATLAS group from the Weitzman Institute of Science (Rehovot, Israel): Professor Vladimir Smakhtin and a researcher Meir Shoah at the invitation of the Centre "Fundamental research and particle physics".

strengthen cooperation of the Israeli group and a group ATLAS-MEPhI. Israeli group has made a significant contribution to the construction of the Muon spectrometer of the ATLAS experiment.

Scientists who visited MEPhI are key figures that ensure the modernization and performance of the Muon spectrometer of the ATLAS experiment. Vladimir Smakhtin is one of the leading experts on strip chambers; he is a leading role in the design, creation

The purpose of the visit was to responsible for the Muon spectrometer of the ATLAS detector. Meir Shoah is responsible for the production and maintenance of sTGC detectors in Israeli territory.

> During the visit, ATLAS representatives held a seminar on "Modernization of the muon system of the AT-LAS experiment: now and for the high luminosity of the LHC" and discussed prospects of further cooperation.

The group from MEPhI has played

and operation of the Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT). This detector is one of the main detectors of the Central tracking system of the ATLAS experiment.

MEPhI employees coordinate and guide work of research groups at universities in countries participating in the project ATLAS TRT, contribute to the development of software for TRT project in particular and the ATLAS experiment as a whole.

## **ONCE AGAIN STUDENT SPARTAKIAD ON VOLGA UNITES ATHLETES FROM** DIFFERENT MEPHI BRANCHES



held the Fourth Student Spartakiad triotic war.

The recreation center "Volga" has They all had a great opportunity to test their strength in twelve sports:

The main purpose of this bright participated in the sport games. places – teams from Obninsk and Volgo-Athletes from Moscow, Obninsk, Vol- and colorful event was contribution donsk. Literally until the very last trial, godonsk, Dimitrovgrad, Sarov and to strengthening friendship between athletes kept apace with each other, but little rain at the end didn't spoil impresthe arm wrestling competition settled sions from the competition. Snezhinsk vied for the first place, students from separate structural



units of MEPhI, as well as promotion of mass sports among students.

MEPhI, dedicated to the 70th annibeach volleyball, football, badmin-In a persistent struggle students from versary of Victory in the Great Paton, tourism, chess, table tennis, Moscow site of MEPhI became undislong jump, cross-country race, relay puted leaders in the team event. But the race, arm wrestling, streetball and most intense competition was between This year six branches of MEPhI orienteering. the contenders for second and third

the dispute, and with a slight advantage the second place was taken by the team of VITI, leaving the title of bronze medalists for students from IATE.

During all three competition days autumn weather gladdened everyone with incredible warmth; sun warmed and gave a combative mood to all participants of the Student Spartakiad. Even a



# **FROM HEART TO HEART!**

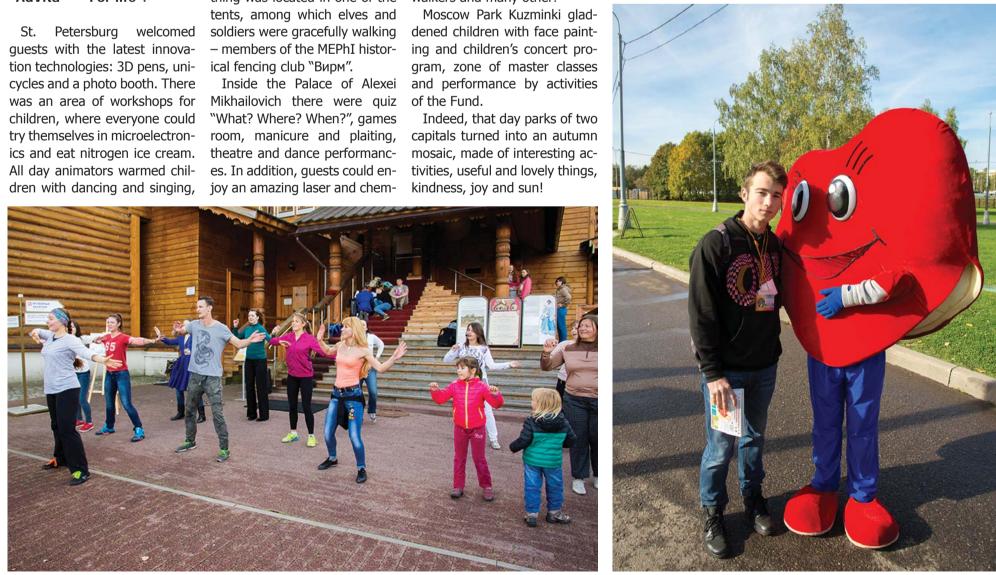
On the 3rd of October the Alexander garden in St. Petersburg and on the 4th of October parks Kolomenskoye and Kuzminki in Moscow have held the IV Annual student charity festival "From Heart to Heart".











the participants of the festival with sunny weather. During 2 days it was visited cow held dance and sports by 6,500 people. And what is the most important – it collected 291803 rubles, which will go to the Fund musicians, audience - every-"AdVita" – "For life".

Two Russian capitals met and one of the organizers even gave his car for painting.

Kolomenskoye Park in Mosworkshops under the cheerful music. Book shop, comics, hand-made fair, caricaturists, thing was located in one of the

ical show, play a bumper ball, to practice foreign languages, fencing and capoeira, as well as to get financial and legal advice and to participate in an exciting quest around the Park. And we still don't mention magicians, jugglers, living statues and stiltwalkers and many other!

