

NRCC Network Meeting in Oslo, 7 October 2008



On the 7th of October there was held NRCC Network Meeting nr 5 in Oslo. The meeting took place in the facilities of Radisson SAS Scandinavia Hotel and was attended by some 50 representatives of Norwegian and Russian companies and organisations.

The main topic of the meeting was an update about the status in Russian economy and financial markets given by Senior Account Manager of East Capital Asset Management Haavard Farstad. While the financial crisis has been crashing markets throughout the world in the background the last months, the situation

in Russia is better than that of many other countries, stated Mr Farstad. The country has a solid economy and, though the stocks of the market leaders are going down, one should not expect an overall crisis neither on the macro, nor on the micro level. His presentation was followed by a series of questions from the audience.

The meeting was continued by presentations given by NRCC trainees who are visiting Norway in the scope of the "NRCC Internship Program for Employees in the Russian Chambers of Commerce and Industry". Adviser Andrey Efimenko from the International Relations Department of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation presented services offered by his chamber, while adviser Polina Gavenkina from the International Relations Department of the Krasnodar CCI presented the Chamber and investment possibilities of the Region.

The topic of investments was further continued by a lecture given by Vice Director of the Department of Foreign Economic Relations of ROS OEZ Tamara Chernyshova who gave an update about the various types of Special Economic Zones in Russia (SEZ), conditions for investors and examples of the successful ongoing projects.

Further, Adviser Berit Storfossene from Kongsberg Chamber of Commerce informed the audience about the coming Technology Days which will take place in Kongsberg on November 5-6.

At the end of the meeting, Managing Director of NRCC Jarle Forbord gave an overview over the chamber's activities to be carried out in 2009, including several new initiatives.

After the formal part was over, the participants were invited to a networking session and refreshments. The NRCC would like to thank Radisson SAS Scandinavia Hotel for allocation of the facilities and Sparebanken Nord-Norge for sponsoring the networking session.



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