

Remarks about the City

Saint-Petersburg is “the culture capital” and scientific centre of Russia. It is world famous for its excellent theatres, concerts, and arts. St. Petersburg, founded 1703, is located at the Neva river point of influx into the Finnish gulf. You should take a few extra days to visit St. Petersburg museums and historical showplaces.

Weather. The climate in St. Petersburg in Mai is cold to warm, the average temperature in May is about 10-15 °C. The humidity is usually high.

Banking and post Offices. Many Russian bank and post offices are located close to the conference site.

Exchange Rates may change relatively quickly because of the unstable economical situation in Russia. The rate of the Russian Rubble for January, 2000 is 29 Rubbles for 1 \$US.

Public transportation. The central part of the city has good subway system supported by extensive bus, train and car routes.

Saint-Petersburg Web Guide is: <http://www.spb.ru/>

Accommodation

There are many hotels in the centre of St. Petersburg. For the participants the places in the Hotel of the Russian Academy of Sciences will be reserved. The hotel is located in the historical centre of St. Petersburg near the Hermitage. The rate is about \$30/day (single apartment). Individuals can make their own reservations for accommodation at more comfortable hotels.

Session Site

The session will be held at the **Mining Institute of St. Petersburg**, in the famous building of the architect Voronikhin (built 1806-1811). The Mining Institute of St. Petersburg is the oldest Russian technical high school and one of the world oldest mining universities (founded 1773). The famous museum of the institute is one of the Europe best mineralogical museums. The institute is located in the old part of the city, the Vasil'ev Island, on the Neva embankment.

Visas

The participants should check with the Russian Embassy in their own country for details about the latest regulations that apply to them.

The *Visa support* is necessary to obtain the Russian Visa. To receive it, the participants should send the next data to the Organising Committee (not later, than 1,5 month before obtaining the visa):

- a photocopy of your passport pages incl. your photo and the passport expiration date;
- the data about your Institution/Company, incl. postal address, phone, fax and job title;
- home address;
- the type of Visa to be required;
- the continuance of the residence in Russia;
- the place of the Visa obtaining (Country; City with Russian embassy or consulate).

The charge for the Visa Support is approximately \$1 for each person (price for May, 1999) and depends on the continuance of the residence in Russia. It should be paid as the extra fee by the registration in St. Petersburg.

Organising Committee

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RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY



ANNUAL SESSION 2000

Mineralogy of Russia

First Circular

General Information and Scientific Programme

The Annual Session 2000 of the Russian Mineralogical Society will be held **in St. Petersburg from May 31 to June 2, 2000**. The session will be dedicated to the 300th anniversary of the Peter the Great decree on the foundation of the Russian Mining Survey.

The priority scientific topic of the session will be **the regional problems of mineralogy**. It will be discussed in the presentations of invited lecturers from the 24 regional branches of the Mineralogical Society.

The programme of the session also includes:

- The Open Discussion “Mineralogy in culture and art of different regions of Russia”. If you wish to take part in the Discussion please inform the Organising Committee via email with indication of the title of your presentation. The abstract of the presentation will not be published.
- The excursions to the museums of St. Petersburg and St. Petersburg region.
- Tabletop exhibition of the scientific equipment, accessories, materials, software, scientific literature and presentations of information services (optional).

Pre-registration form

for the Russian Mineralogical Society Annual Session
2000 (please type or print clearly in capital letters)

First Name(s)			
Family Name			
Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> female	<input type="checkbox"/> male	
Salutation	<input type="checkbox"/> Prof.	<input type="checkbox"/> Dr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss
Russian Mineralogical Society membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Honorary Fellow		
	<input type="checkbox"/> foreign member		
	<input type="checkbox"/> no		
Institution / Company			
Address			
Postal Code		Country	
Phone			
Fax			
Email			
Internet			
Accompanying person	<input type="checkbox"/> yes → number (pls. specify):		
	<input type="checkbox"/> no		
Abstract title with the author(s) name(s), the name of the attending author must be underlined			
I am unable to attend but would like further information <input type="checkbox"/>			

Send to Dr. Tatyana Karyakina, Scientific Secretary
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Note: This circular together with the pre-registration form is available on the Russian Mineralogical Society web site at: http://www.mineral.ras.ru/MinSoc/conf/gS2000_1e.html

For multiply registration, please photocopy this form or download it from the Internet.

Language

The official languages of the session will be Russian and English.

Publications

The proceedings of the session will be published as a book of abstracts. All registered participants will receive the book of abstracts by the registration in St. Petersburg. If you don't attend the session, you can get the abstract book after the payment via mail (please check the box in the last string in a pre-registration form and inform the scientific secretary via email).

Abstract Submission deadline is the 1st of April, 2000.

Abstract preparation guidelines

- 1) Abstract size is limited by 1,5 standard typewriter page (A4, text field 25x16 cm), **not more than 600 words excluding title and references.**
- 2) You should send us one "hard" and one "digital" (email or PC diskette) copy of the abstract.
- 3) Please send either ASCII or Microsoft Word (version 2 or higher) texts.
- 4) Please use the standard file compressors (ZIP or ARJ) by the file attachment.
- 5) If you will include the figures in the abstract body, please duplicate the figures as the separate graphic files (using standard file types: WMF, EMF, TIFF) in the email attachment.

Abstract structure:

- a) Title.
- b) Blank line.
- c) Author(s) name(s) and email(s).
- d) Institution(s).
- e) Blank line.
- f) Abstract body. Citations should be formatted as: [1].
- g) Enumerated references.

Registration

If you wish to receive the 2nd circular, please complete and return the **pre-registration form** by March 1st, 2000.

Registration fees (in US dollars) are:

- \$100 - for active participant
- \$50 - for accompanying person
- \$15 - for student participant
- no fee - for Honorary Fellows of the Society

The registration fee will include:

- the session programme and the volume of abstracts;
- participation in the scientific programme and the Open Discussion "Mineralogy in culture and art of different regions of Russia";
- welcome party;
- access to tabletop exhibition.

You will be informed about the payment formalities by the 2nd circular distribution.

Tabletop Exhibition

If you would like to take part in the tabletop exhibition, please contact the Russian Mineralogical Society scientific secretary via email.

Important Dates

- 01.03.2000 – pre-registration deadline
- 01.04.2000 – abstract submission deadline
- April 2000 – 2nd circular and Registration Form distribution
- 01.05.2000 – registration fee payment deadline
- May 2000 – *Visa support* distribution
- 31.05–02.06.2000 – Russian Mineralogical Society Annual Session 2000 in progress
- 03–04.06.2000 – excursions to St. Petersburg and its environs (optional)

ATTENTION! The deadlines of the session published in the Proceedings of the IX Russian Mineralogical Society Meeting **have changed!**