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KEY CONCLUSIONS

 Preferential regimes in ASEZs and the FPV have had tangible economic impact

The Forum is now celebrating its 5th year, and we can say that very impressive results have been achieved across the Far East. <…> A remarkable number of residents have shown interest in ASEZs and the Free Port of Vladivostok, and we have seen impressive figures for the numbers of enterprises developed, projects implemented and, most importantly, plans announced for the period to 2025 — Leonid Agafonov, Member of the Public Council of the Ministry for the Development of the Russian Far East and Arctic; Managing Director, EastRussia.

Incomes of ASEZ residents grew from RUB 15.5 billion in 2016 to RUB 70 billion in 2018, while those of FPV residents grew from RUB 2 billion to RUB 24.5 billion. Over 80 projects have been implemented with an investment volume of RUB 100 billion, and around 10,000 jobs have been created. Secondly, the majority of ASEZs and the FPV are expecting an increase in the total volume of their tax and non-tax budget revenue. Thirdly, according to data from 2018, labour productivity increased on the previous year — Nikolay Kharitonov, Chairman of the Committee for Regional Policy and Issues of the North and Far East, State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.

Financial models, these benefits, and part of the money provided by the government have played a significant role. Our project was on the verge of making a loss, and was hovering around the zero mark, but it is now moving in the right direction, including with respect to opportunities for exporting coal to premium Southeast Asian markets — Yury Tyamushkin, General Director, VaninoTransUgol JSC.
**Support institutions actively cooperating with ASEZ and FPV residents**

Our experience of implementing projects in ASEZs and the FPV has been a success. We have projects up and running worth RUB 700 million – in our view this is not a bad start – Roman Kapinos, Deputy Chairman of the Board, SME Bank.

The Far East Development Fund is making active efforts to support residents <...> To date, we have provided almost RUB 38 billion in financing, just under half of which went to ASEZ representatives and FPV residents. <...> This means preferential financing at a rate of 5% per annum in the case of big businesses. <...> Residents are generally getting financed – Kirill Kamenev, Managing Director of Investment Department, Far East and Baikal Region Development Fund.

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**EASTERN ECONOMIC FORUM 2019**

**Special Administrative Districts: One Year on**

- **4 September 2019  12:30–14:00**

**Moderator**

Andrey Gorlenko

Executive Administrator, Russian Arbitration Centre at the Russian Institute of Modern Arbitration

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**KEY CONCLUSIONS**

A number of aims have been incorporated in the special administrative district project [areas with a favourable tax regime for investors, – Ed.]. Firstly, these are to repatriate capital and protect business from restrictions imposed from outside Russia. I believe that sooner or later, these aims will be accomplished. It is just a question of time – Nikita Soshnikov, Head of Branch in Vladivostok, Deloitte, Russia.

Work will continue to improve these regimes, because we see that even now, one year on, special administrative districts are in reasonably high demand, both on Oktyabrsksky Island, and Russky Island – Andrey Gorlenko, Executive Administrator, Russian Arbitration Centre at the Russian Institute of Modern Arbitration.

There is a need for Russian business to free themselves from dealing with foreign companies where it is possible to do so. It is too early to speak about fully avoiding them. Sometimes foreign companies play a vital role, but at the very least, large
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companies deal with dozens of companies they could do without. How can companies free themselves in this way? While it is difficult to do it via special administrative districts, it is riskier to do it via other means, which is why interest in these districts will grow – Galina Naumenko, Partner, Tax and Legal Services, PwC Russia.

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**THE RUSSIAN INVESTMENT FORUM 2019**

‘Rebooting’ Regional Development Tools

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**Moderator**

Artem Avetisyan

Director of the New Business Department, Agency for Strategic Initiatives; Chairman, Leaders’ Club for the Promotion of Business Initiatives Non-Profit Partnership.

**KEY CONCLUSIONS**

**Business support mechanisms should be clear and accessible**

Diversity <…> of support tools for investors, benefits that we have formed over the last years resulted in confusion among investors and authorities — Vadim Zhivulin, Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation.

There is a need for further evolution of developing our own experience in forming an investment climate, in supporting business, in <…> being able to support business with simple, accessible and clear decisions, mechanisms and methods — Anatoly Artamonov, Governor of Kaluga Region.

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**Stable rules and the government’s responsibility for the decisions made are the foundation for a friendly investment climate**

Frequently investors are not that worried about property exemptions or special taxation schemes <…> They believe the cornerstone is unchanged rules they used to enter a special regime, personal involvement of the region’s leader, and readiness <…> to honestly resolve the arising issues — Vadim Zhivulin, Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation.

The main thing here is not even tax reliefs, it is the guarantees that the legislation remains unchanged for 10 years and that the government will not interfere — Ekaterina Evdokimova, Managing Partner, GDP Quadrat.

Political storms should not be in the way of [implementing] such large-scale <…> and absolutely mutually beneficial projects <…> Personal guarantees and responsibility are
important for both sides. A big interdependence may become a buffer in political situations — Sergey Kravchenko, President, Boeing Russia/CIS.

Russia is comfortable for international companies

How are Italians doing in Russia? Fine. Today Russia has about 100 Italian manufacturing companies, with 70 thousand jobs and EUR 7.5 billion in annual turnover. And despite the crisis, turbulence and sanctions, all those companies always get to the positive year-end — Vittorio Torrembini, Vice President, Association of Italian Entrepreneurs in Russia (GIM Unimpresa).
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Governor of Kamchatskiy Territory (until 03.04.2020)

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Vice President, Head of GR, Sberbank

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Sergey Zhidkov
Executive Director, Vostokbunker

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