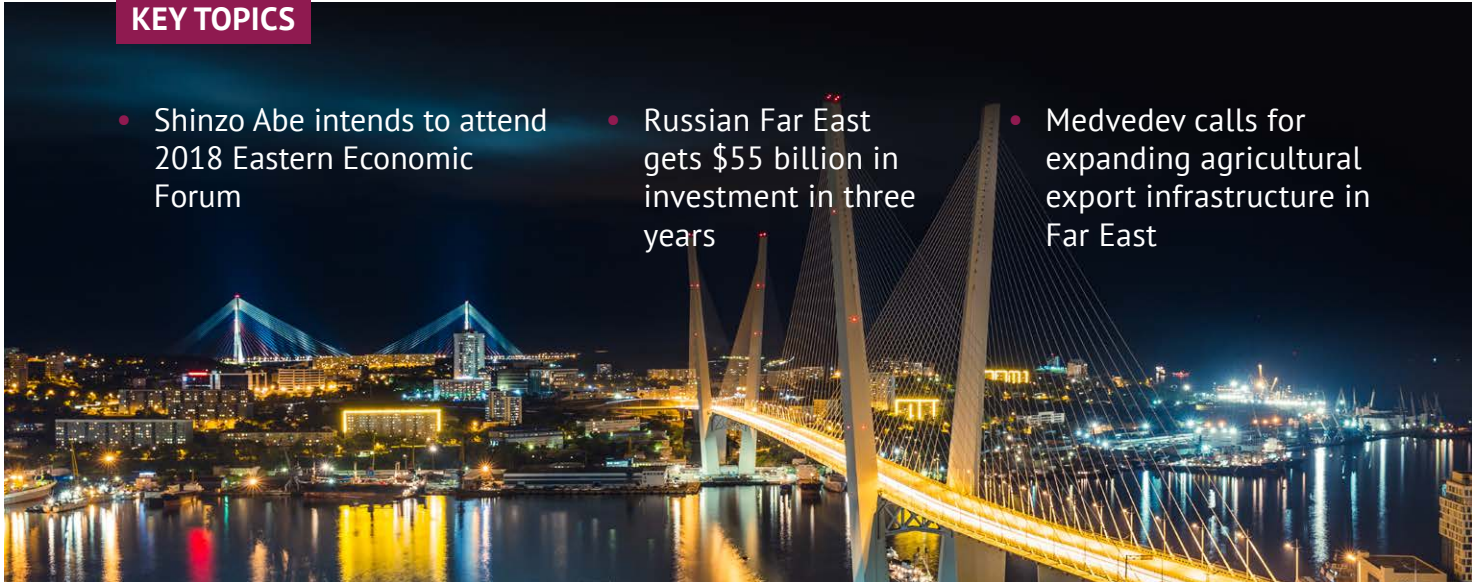


KEY TOPICS

- Shinzo Abe intends to attend 2018 Eastern Economic Forum
- Russian Far East gets \$55 billion in investment in three years
- Medvedev calls for expanding agricultural export infrastructure in Far East



EASTERN ECONOMIC FORUM NEWS

24 October 2017, forumvostok.ru

Igor Shuvalov invites Singaporean representatives to take part in EEF 2018

Moscow hosted the 8th meeting of the High-Level Intergovernmental Russia-Singapore Commission chaired by Igor Shuvalov and Singaporean Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for Economic and Social Policies Tharman Shanmugaratnam.

In particular, the officials discussed the development of Russian-Singaporean relations in the Far East. The Russian side expressed its readiness to continue to support Singaporean investors in their implementation of joint projects in the Russian Far East, including within advanced special economic zones and the Free Port of Vladivostok. The Singaporean side confirmed its interest in implementing projects in Russia's Far Eastern Federal District.

<https://forumvostok.ru/news/igor-shuvalov-priglasil-predstaviteley-respubliki-singapur-prinyat-uchastie-v-vef-2018>

6 October 2017, RIA FederalPress

Shinzo Abe plans to take part in 2018 Eastern Economic Forum

Japanese Ambassador to Russia Toyohisa Kozuki shared this information during a meeting with Adviser to the Russian President Anton Kobayakov at which the officials discussed cooperation at the EEF 2017 and prospects for further bilateral cooperation, including as part of major international multilateral events.

<http://fedpress.ru/news/77/economy/1869180>

STATE POLICY IN THE FAR EAST

25 October 2017, EastRussia

'Far East Days in Moscow' exhibition to be held in December

The exhibition will feature an extensive cultural and business programme on the streets of Moscow and the Expocenter: the plans include the launch of several new enterprises in the advanced special economic zones of the Far East, the operation of a personnel centre with a number of new vacancies in the Far East region and a centre for the implementation of the 'Far Eastern hectare' programme as well as the Far East Seafood and Souvenirs Fair. The event will take place on 8–16 December 2017.

<https://www.eastrussia.ru/news/dni-dalnego-vostoka-v-moskve-proyut-8-16-dekabrya-zamglavy-minvostokrazvitiya/>

21 October 2017, Rossiyskaya Gazeta

Dmitry Medvedev calls for expanding export infrastructure for agricultural products in the Far East

The Russian prime minister made this announcement at a meeting of the Presidium of the Presidential Council for Strategic Development and Priority Projects. New terminals, wholesale distribution centres as well as processing and logistics enterprises need to be built on the core of the agro-industrial and agro-food facilities that are being established in the Far East, he said.

<https://rg.ru/2017/10/21/reg-dfo/dmitrij-medvedev-prizval-dfo-rasshirit-eksport-selhozprodukcii.html>

19 October 2017, Zvezda television channel

Russia's Far East attracts USD 55 billion in investments over three years

"Of this amount, USD 5 billion are foreign investments from the leading countries of the Asia-Pacific region", Alexander Galushka said during the 19th World Festival of Youth and Students. The minister said it became possible to attract such investments due to the benefits and preferences that are currently in effect in the Far East. These projects are to be implemented before 2025.

https://tvzvezda.ru/news/vstrane_i_mire/content/201710190444-4ogr.htm

11 October 2017, Interfax

China proposes setting up city of health, science, and innovations on Russky Island

A project to establish the International Cooperation Centre was presented during a working meeting between Yury Trutnev and held a working meeting with the Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference National Committee Chen Yuan.

The first stage of the project involves the construction of a scientific, technological, and health improvement cluster, an international convention and exhibition centre, a hotel, a water sports centre, an aero-yacht club, and parking facilities.

<http://www.interfax-russia.ru/FarEast/news.asp?id=876811&sec=1671>

FAR EAST ECONOMY

26 October 2017, Lenta.ru

Russian regions invite Korean business to continue dialogue

A presentation on the economic potential of eight regions of the Russian Federation was held for Korean investors in Seoul as part of the 'Business in Russia: Regional Opportunities for Korean Business' event. Roughly 200 heads of Korean companies learned about the investment potential of Russian regions, including the Sakhalin Region and Khabarovsk Territory, during the event.

<https://lenta.ru/pressrelease/2017/10/26/8regionovkoreya>

24 October 2017, Rossiyskaya Gazeta

Liquefied gas transshipment terminal to be built in Kamchatka

Novatek and the regional authorities signed an agreement on the terminal's construction. The transshipment terminal, where LNG will be loaded from Arctic gas carriers to conventional gas carriers, will have capacity of 20 million tonnes per year. The project will reduce the cost of transporting fuel produced on the Yamal and Gydan peninsulas to countries in the Asia-Pacific region. The terminal is expected to be built in 2022–2023.

<https://rg.ru/2017/10/24/reg-dfo/na-kamchatke-postroiat-terminal-po-peregruzke-szhizhennogo-gaza.html>

NEW MECHANISMS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FAR EAST: SUCCESS STORIES

25 October 2017, TASS

Construction begins on car recycling plant in Primorye's Nadezhdinskaya ASEZ

TerminaTOR, a joint project of the Japanese investors Arai Shoji Co. Ltd., Royal AutoParts, and Sumotori group of companies, is being implemented in the Nadezhdinskaya Advanced Special Economic Zone. An agreement on the construction of the plant was signed on the sidelines of the third Eastern Economic Forum. The plant will perform the advanced processing of car and truck components: the separation of glass, plastic, metal, and other spare parts. Total investments will amount to RUB 300 million.

<http://tass.ru/novosti-partnerov/4675462>

24 October 2017, TASS

New enterprise opens in Amuro-Khinganskaya ASEZ

A sandwich panel production line with capacity to manufacture 22,500 tonnes per year opened in Birobidzhan. The plant's construction products will be used to build large facilities in the Jewish Autonomous Region, the Amur Region, and other regions. Total investment will amount to RUB 1.5 billion, and the project will result in the creation of 200 new jobs.

<http://tass.ru/ekonomika/4671464>

Reference information:

The organizer of EEF 2017 is the Roscongress Foundation, a major organizer of convention and exhibition events. The Roscongress Foundation was founded in 2007 to develop Russia's economic potential and strengthen the country's image by organizing congresses and exhibitions with an economic and social focus. The Foundation develops the substantive content for these events, and provides companies with advice, information, and expert guidance, as well as offering comprehensive evaluation, analysis, and coverage of the Russian and global economic agenda.

Today, its annual programme includes events held from Montevideo to Vladivostok, offering an opportunity to bring together global business leaders, experts, the media, and government officials in one place, creating favourable conditions for dialogue and the promotion of new ideas and projects, and assisting in the creation of social enterprise and charity projects.