



Welcome Message to the participants of the International Exhibition Technoforum 2020

I would like to welcome participants and guests of Technoforum 2020, the International Exhibition for Equipment and Technology for Materials Processing.

For the first time Technoforum 2020 will be held within Russian Industry Week which unites the major industry conventions and exhibitions. The exhibition is organised by EXPOCENTRE AO with support of the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade and State Duma of the Russian Federal Assembly, under auspices of the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Technoforum is the main annual autumn industry event in the field of machine tool engineering. This year the exhibition aroused great interest among the participants of the machine-building market, and we are happy to provide our platform to the industry business for professional communication. Developers and consumers of industrial equipment from different countries and regions of Russia will again gather at EXPOCENTRE Fairgrounds to present new products, search for investors and partners, place orders and make purchases.

Inclusion of Technoforum into the Research-Technology-Innovations Expo Project, designed to promote the introduction of scientific advances into industrial production, has given a new impetus to the development of the exhibition.

The Technoforum exhibition has become even more saturated and accumulates the most advanced developments of industrial equipment and technologies most demanded by the Russian economy sectors. This year's novelty is the sections devoted to thermal processing and ecology in industry. Much attention is also paid to additive technolo-

gies, welding equipment and technologies, robotics and automation of production and other relevant topics.

An important component of Technoforum 2020 is a large-scale programme of supporting events. This year it will be intensive and will allow discussing a wide range of professional topics. Conferences, round tables, seminars with participation of major industry experts, government and business representatives, leading enterprises, research centers and educational institutions will be held during the exhibition. The participants of the round table, organised by the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade, will discuss topical issues of the industry development. The exhibition programme includes the conference "Welding and additive technologies for industrial application", international scientific-practical conference "Digital technologies and smart industries. Industry 4.0", business lunch for marketing specialists of industrial companies and other interesting events.

No doubt, Technoforum 2020 will make a significant contribution to solving the problems faced by the domestic industry. Let me wish all participants and guests of the exhibition fruitful business networking, expansion of partner relations, and achievement of high commercial results.

Sergey Bednov
Director General
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A stylized, handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Bednov'.