

# "The Arctic Expedition"

2-7 February, 2015 — Russia's Tverskaya oblast (region) will host the first stage of the International Youth Forum "The Arctic Expedition"

"The Arctic Expedition" is a completely new project prepared by a joint team of experts from the Russian Federal Agency on Youth Affairs and the Russian Geographical Society. It is expected to become one of Russia's main youth events in the upcoming year.

## **Description and features**

"The Arctic Expedition" Forum opens a new chapter in a series of forums organized by the Russian Federal Agency on Youth Affairs, which following the summer "Territory of Meanings" Forum, continues to establish new standards and approaches to educational camps.

"The Arctic Expedition" will be the first youth forum to be held during winter season and to consist of multiple stages. It will feature a completely new approach to the educational program, where competition and education are combined to develop leadership and ingenuity in young participants. Finally, this new forum will offer its participants not just quality educational content with unique thematic lectures from professors of best universities, panel discussions, expos and master-classes with live conversations between the participants, expects and guests, but will also present a new organizational format for this process — an adventurous quest, based on the results of which some of the most knowledgeable, active, attentive and prepared participants will travel to the Russian drifting station "Barneo" and take part in a real expedition to the North Pole in April 2015.

The trip to the Arctic will be the second stage of the forum and a super prize, which will undoubtedly serve as an unforgettable experience in the life of any young individual who has decided to tie his professional career with the Arctic.

Thus, the "The Arctic Expedition" just as its predecessor "The Territory of Meanings" is designed not only to serve as a source of knowledge, but also as a practical base meant to

bring participants closer to the subject of their research. The forum program will allow young participants to apply their skills and experience in academic studies and professional careers.

### **Participants**

The representatives of all member states of the Arctic Council:

Russia

Norway

Denmark

Canada

**United States** 

**Finland** 

Sweden

**Iceland** 

Total: 150 participants

#### **Participation requirements**

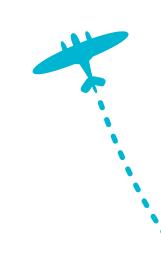
- 1. Age between 18 and 29
- 2. Absence of health restriction for working in the conditions of the North Pole
- 3. Professional interest in the Arctic and the Arctic zone
- 4. Scientific work and publications pertaining to the Arctic
- 5. Essay on the topic of "The Arctic and the Development of the Arctic Zone"
- 6. Answer to the question of "Why should I be the one to end up in the North Pole?"

#### Dates to remember:

**November 6, 2014** — the start of the application process for the "The Arctic Expedition" forum

**December 6, 2014** — the completion of the application process for the forum

**1 January 12, 2015** — the announcement of 150 participants selected to participate in the forum on 2–7 February, 2015



**2-7 February, 2015** — Tverskaya oblast (region) will host the first stage of the International Youth Forum "The Arctic Expedition" which will determine the participants of the second stage — the actual expedition to the Arctic in April 2015

**April 2015** (exact dates depend on weather conditions and several factors which will be determined by the end of March) — Participants of the second stage of the "The Arctic Expedition" will travel to the Russian drifting station "Barneo" from which they will be able to reach the North Pole

