

## IAIR 13<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting & Conference 2008

**St Petersburg Russian Federation 22-25 June 2008**



St Petersburg is a city of sensational architecture, magnificent sculptures, innumerable canals, unique galleries and a colourful history; and we are meeting during the famously known White Nights when it stays light through the night.

The Conference venue, Park Inn Pribaltiyskaya, overlooks the Gulf of Finland; and provides a shuttle service to the City centre, including the world renowned Hermitage Museum.

### Who will be attending?

There will be delegates from some 40 governments from Europe, Africa, Asia, Australasia and North and Latin America, together with representatives from the World Bank and OECD with which the IAIR has been working on the development of regulatory frameworks in the new market and emerging economies. The Conference provides an outstanding opportunity to meet with fellow officials for discussions and exchanges of experiences - both in the formal sessions and during breaks - of current insolvency policy and legislation, regulation and administration and practice issues and initiatives.

### The Agenda

Attached is a draft of the Agenda which features:

- What is happening in other international forums – World Bank, OECD and UNCITRAL
- Insolvency of financial institutions
- Proceeds of crime procedures and their impact on bankruptcy
- Recognition of foreign sanctions
- Information sharing between regulators

We shall also be featuring insolvency developments in the Russian Federation and other Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), as well as reports from delegate jurisdictions (to which we hope you would contribute) and finalisation of studies of three key areas:

- Employee rights and wage guarantee funds
- Consumer debtors
- Revenues and user fees

### Registration

Attached is a Registration Form: the registration fee is US\$400 per delegate (including the evening functions); and US\$100 for accompanying spouses and partners who wish to attend the evening functions (see page 3). Your registration form should be sent by no later than 9 May to:

- Terry Gallagher, IAIR Secretariat, at [terry.gallagher@itsa.gov.au](mailto:terry.gallagher@itsa.gov.au) and copied to:
- Alexei Terentiev, Ministry of Economic Development & Trade, Russian Federation, at: [terentev@economy.gov.ru](mailto:terentev@economy.gov.ru)
- Irina Fomina, Analysis, Consultations and Marketing Conference Organisers at: [foir@akm.ru](mailto:foir@akm.ru) and
- Peter Joyce, IAIR Executive Director, at [iairexecdir@hotmail.com](mailto:iairexecdir@hotmail.com)

The Form explains how to make payment, either by cheque or direct to the IAIR account. Early registration is essential to ensure sufficient time to arrange for visas to be issued for entry into the Russian Federation.

## Visas

The following information is required from all delegates (and their spouses or partners) for the purpose of obtaining a visa for entry into the Russian Federation:

- name of the applicant
- date and place of birth
- gender
- citizenship
- country of residence
- passport number and date of issue, together with its validity (day, month, year)
- dates of travel into and out of Russia, together with the period of stay (days)
- places to be visited in Russia (cities)
- place of issuing visa (city and country)
- place of work (full name of the organisation, address, telephone and fax numbers and position)

You will also need to provide a copy of your passport.

You should send this information to Kirill Kosminskiy, Ministry of Economic Development & Trade, at [kosminskiy@economy.gov.ru](mailto:kosminskiy@economy.gov.ru), and copied to Irina Fomina [foir@akm.ru](mailto:foir@akm.ru). Once the Ministry has all the information listed above, it will make the visa application to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Any inquiries about visas should be made to Mr Kosminskiy.

## Hotel booking

You should make your own room reservation directly with your Hotel. If you are staying at the Conference Hotel, the Park Inn Pribaltiyskaya [www.parkinn.com.ru](http://www.parkinn.com.ru) then you should say that you are attending the IAIR Conference so that you can benefit from the special delegate rate: contact [info.pribaltiyskaya@rezidorparkinn.com](mailto:info.pribaltiyskaya@rezidorparkinn.com) and advise the conference organiser, Irina Fomina, of your booking at [foir@akm.ru](mailto:foir@akm.ru)

Early booking is essential because of demand for accommodation during the White Nights.

## Any other information?

Please do contact:

- IAIR Secretariat, Terry Gallagher, Australia – [terry.gallagher@itsa.gov.au](mailto:terry.gallagher@itsa.gov.au)
- IAIR Executive Director, Peter Joyce, UK – [iairexecdir@hotmail.com](mailto:iairexecdir@hotmail.com)
- IAIR Chairman, Luis Mejia, Mexico – [lmc@cjf.gob.mx](mailto:lmc@cjf.gob.mx)

We very much look forward to seeing you in St Petersburg.

**Luis Mejia**

IAIR Chairman

**Terry Gallagher**

IAIR Secretariat

**Peter Joyce**

IAIR Executive Director

**You also may want to take a note of future planned IAIR Workshops – see page 4**

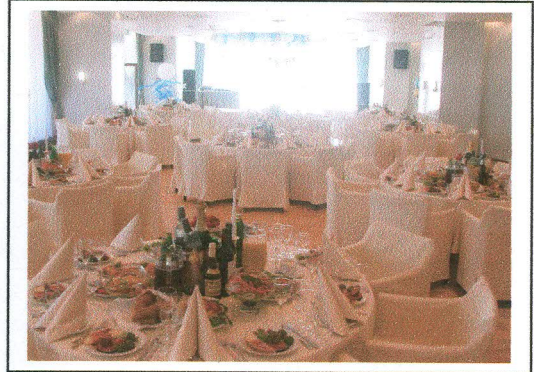
**And the IAIR St Petersburg 2008 Evening Functions** for delegates and accompanying spouses and partners

We think you will agree that they are a very impressive and inviting schedule of functions and we are very grateful to our hosts, the Russian Federation Ministry of Economic Development & Trade for arranging these.

**Sunday Evening 22 June  
Chairman's Reception**

The Park Inn Neva Hall, with musical accompaniment

An opportunity to meet informally with other delegates and spouses and partners.



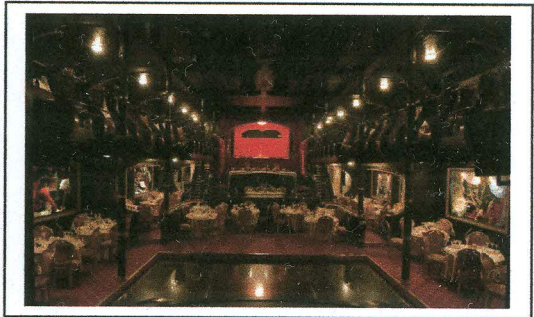
**Monday Evening 23 June  
Mariinsky Theatre**

Delegates and spouses and partners will be taken on a short excursion to the Hermitage, St Isaac's Cathedral and the Cadet Military School before arriving at the Mariinsky Theatre for a performance of opera or ballet, followed by a banquet in the theatre restaurant and return to the hotel



**Tuesday Evening 24 June  
Art Cabaret Frigate Blagodat**

Another short excursion before arriving at the Imperia Strasti Restaurant and a show – classical, jazz or blues music or a magician or a barman-show; and another short excursion back to the hotel



**Wednesday Evening 25 June  
"Meteor" Motor Ship, Peterhof Park  
and Reception and Fireworks**

Transfer from the hotel to the Court Quay to board the "Meteor" and enjoy a buffet; arrive at the Peterhof Park where a chamber orchestra will provide music; then to the Great Greenhouse for a reception and further music; fireworks; and return on the "Meteor"

