



# International conference

# «National strategies and common agenda for the post-COVID 19 recovery in BRICS countries: a way to resilient and sustainable future»

March 30, 2021 | 1 – 3.30 pm (GMT+3) ZOOM

Working language – English

Presentations: 7-10 min

#### **PROGRAM**

1 – 1.30 pm	Opening remarks
	Dr. Elena Lenchuk, Director of the Institute of Economics,
	Russian Academy of Sciences
	Dr. Victoria Panova, Acting Director of the Russian National
	Committee on BRICS Research; Vice-President for
	International Relations, Far Eastern Federal University
	<b>H.E. Mr. Pavel Knyazev,</b> Ambassador-at-large, Russian Sous-Sherpa in BRICS
	<b>Dr. Natalya Stapran</b> , Director of the Multilateral Economic
	Cooperation and Special Projects Department, Ministry of
	Economic Development of the Russian Federation
1.30 – 1. 40 pm	Keynote speech
	Amb. HHS Viswanathan, Distinguished Fellow at the
	Observer Research Foundation (ORF)
	"Indian Presidency in BRICS in 2021"
1.40 – 3 pm	Session «National strategies and common agenda for the
	post-COVID 19 recovery in BRICS countries: a way to
	resilient and sustainable future»
	Moderator: <b>Dr. Irina Korgun</b> , Acting Head of the Asian
	strategy center, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of
	Sciences
	Speakers:
	1) <b>Dr. Mikhail Golovnin,</b> First Deputy Director of the
	Institute of Economics, Associate Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences
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	2) <b>Dr. André de Melo e Souza,</b> Senior Researcher at the Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA)
	institute for Applied Economic Nesearch (IF LA)

	3) <b>Prof. Georgy Toloraya</b> , Head of the Asian strategy center, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of Sciences <b>Ms. Valeriia Gorbacheva</b> , Researcher at the Asian strategy center, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of Sciences
	4) <b>Dr. Prof. Qingxin Lan</b> , Professor at the Institute of International Economy; Director of the BRICS Research Center, University of International Business and Economics
	5) <b>Dr. Alexandra Morozkina</b> , Head of the Structural Reforms Division, Economic Expert Group
	<b>Ms. Natalya Krasnopeeva</b> , Lead Advisor, Analytical Center for the Government of the Russian Federation
	6) <b>Mr. Cyril Prinsloo</b> , Senior Researcher at the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA)
	7) <b>Dr. Alexey Kupriyanov,</b> Head of Group on South Asia and Indian Ocean at the Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO), Russian Academy of Sciences
3 – 3.20 pm	<u>Discussion</u>
3.20 – 3.30 pm	Closing remarks  Dr. Irina Korgun, Acting Head of the Asian strategy center, Institute of Economics, Russian Academy of Sciences

### **Questions for discussion:**

- The BRICS countries have three billion people and thus, share an immense responsibility for health and livelihood of a large part of the world population. Responses of BRICS governments will influence the shape of global recovery. How do you see a role of BRICS in the post-Covid19 world economy? Will BRICS emerge stronger as a result of the pandemic?
- We should recognize shortages of resources to combat the COVID-19 pandemic in all countries both developed and developing. Moreover, new global threats will continue to emerge and create risks for the BRICS economies. Some of these challenges will require coordinated multilateral responses. How could the BRICS agenda be transformed in order to provide a rapid coordinated response to future crises be it health, economic or any other kind of unforeseen event?
- BRICS countries usually discuss common areas in their approaches to issues in international politics, particularly in international financial architecture, trade and investments. But we should also recognize that BRICS countries vary tremendously in their policy choices for adjusting to global

changes. Ongoing technological transformation represent one of such change. In the era of a rapid technological shift, what will BRICS do to adjust their development strategies to new realities? And could those policy choices diverge?

Consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic may lead to new rules regulating various spheres of everyday life that will affect millions of people. Can BRICS countries forge common standards in such areas of day-to-day life as post-covid travel, people-to-people contacts as well as others?

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