







## **International youth conference**

# "International trade facing the challenges of digital and post-COVID economy: BRICS perspectives"

**Organized by:** Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia of IE RAS; Department of World Economy of St. Petersburg State University (WTO Chair); Russian National Committee on BRICS Research

*November 25, 2021, 2.00 – 5.30 pm (GMT+3)* 

### **ZOOM**

### **PROGRAM**

2.00 – 2.15 pm	Opening remarks
	Dr. Mikhail LOBANOV, Deputy Director, IE RAS, Russia
	<b>Prof. Georgy TOLORAYA</b> , Head, Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS, Russia
	<b>Prof. Sergei SUTYRIN</b> , Head, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University; WTO Chair Holder, Russia
2.15 – 3.45 pm	Moderators:
	<b>Dr. Alexandra KOVAL</b> , Associate Professor, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia
	<b>Dr. Irina KORGUN</b> , Ph.D. in Economics, Senior Research Fellow, Acting Head, Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS, Russia
	Speakers:
	<b>Dr. ZHU Zhaoyi,</b> Deputy Director, BRICS Research Center, University of International Business and Economics, China
	Topic: "The analysis of China's outbound investment in digital sector and perspective for BRICS member countries' digital trade growth"
	Ms. Aarshi TIRKEY, Associate Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, India

	<i>Topic:</i> "Multilateral/Transregional rule making on digital trade – an Indian perspective"
	Ms. Daria LEBEDEVA, Research Fellow, Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS, Russia
	<b>Dr. Irina KORGUN</b> , Ph.D. in Economics, Senior Research Fellow, Acting Head of the Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS, Russia
	<i>Topic:</i> "The state of cross-border e-commerce in China and its role in the post-pandemic economy"
	Ms. Tatiana KOZAKEVICH, Master Student, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia
	Topic: "Current trends in the development and tax regulation of cross-border electronic commerce in Russia"
	<b>Mr. Mu TUO</b> , Ph.D. Student, Specialist of the Department of planning and organization of the educational process, Lomonosov Moscow State University' Moscow School of Economics, China
	Topic: "Manufacturing labor shortage in the digital economy"
	Ms. Ekaterina ANDRIANOVA, Ph.D. Student, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia
	Topic: "Digital trade of BRICS states: challenges and regulations"
3.45 – 3.50 pm	<u>Digital break</u>
	Moderator:
3.50 – 5.20 pm	Ms. Valeriia GORBACHEVA, Research Fellow, Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS; GR-Director, Russian National Committee on BRICS Research, Russia
	Speakers:
	<b>Dr. Babalwa SISWANA</b> , Ph.D. in Economics, Programme Coordinator at National Institute for the Humanities & Social Sciences, South Africa
	<i>Topic:</i> "The impact of COVID-19 on South Africa's trade and economy"
	Ms. Scarlett QUEEN ALMEIDA BISPO, Research Assistant, Directorate of Studies and Economic Relations and International Policies, Institute of Applied Economic Research, Brazil

Ms. Michelle MÁRCIA VIANA MARTINS, Research Assistant, Directorate of Studies and Economic Relations and International Policies, Institute of Applied Economic Research, Brazil

*Topic:* "Digital economy in the context of the Trade Facilitation Agreement and the modernization of customs administrations in the BRICS countries"

**Ms. Antonina TERLEEVA**, Ph.D. Student, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia

*Topic:* "The current state of the municipal solid waste management industry in the BRICS countries"

**Ms. Zhang HUIMIN,** Ph.D. Student, Faculty of Global Studies, Lomonosov Moscow State University, China

*Topic:* "Challenges of BRICS' Digital Economy Governance Under the Impact of the Epidemic - China's response and outlook"

Ms. Varvara KUNGUROVA, Bachelor Student, St. Petersburg State University, Russia

Ms. Vladislava LOGUA, Bachelor Student, St. Petersburg State University, Russia

*Topic:* "E-commerce platforms in China: The role in international business during the pandemic"

Ms. Xu SHUHAN, Master Student, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia

*Topic*: "The impact of COVID-19 on international travel services: an example of China"

#### **Closing remarks**

5.20 - 5.30 pm

**Dr. Irina KORGUN**, Ph.D. in Economics, Senior Research Fellow, Acting Head, Center for Russia's Strategy in Asia, IE RAS, Russia

**Dr. Alexandra KOVAL**, Associate Professor, Department of World Economy, St. Petersburg State University, Russia