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| ***Since 1994*** | **37th International Conference and seminars*****The Open World of English*****13-16 December 2014****Saint Petersburg, Russia****Academic Writing seminar at Mayakovsky City Public Library, 46 Fontanka (13-14 December)****Main Conference with Plenary Presentations (15-16 December). Venue – Saint Petersburg State University of Economics, Faculty of Humanities, Moskatelny 4.**  |

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***Pre-Conference Programme***

***Saturday-Sunday, December 13-14 from 1 to 5 p.m.***

***Pre-conference Event “Academic Writing Seminar (RAW project)”***

presented by Russian experts **Viktoria Levchenko, Natalia Koliadina, Svetlana Suchkova, Irina Yunatova, Jan Stanbury with a Christmas Writing surprise!**

**Venue: Mayakovsky City Public Library, 46 Fontanka, Main Conference Hall, Belyi Zal**

***Main Conference Events***

***“The Open World of English”***

**Venue: – Saint Petersburg State University of Economics, Faculty of Humanities, Moskatelny 4. Room 102**

***Monday, December 15***

13.30 – 14.30 Registration, networking and welcome coffee

14.30 – 15.00 Greetings from:

* **Tatiana Ivanova**, SPELTA President, Saint Petersburg
* **James Land,** US Consul for Press and Culture, Saint Petersburg
* **Jerry Frank**, ELO for Russia, US Embassy, Moscow
* **Margarita Mudrak,** English Speaking Union, Saint Petersburg
* **Lyudmila Gorodetskaya,** Cambridge University Press, Moscow

Plenary

15.00 – 16.00 **Jerry Frank**, ELO for Russia, US Embassy, Moscow. *ELT: Bridging Cultures through Teaching and Learning*

16.00 – 17.00 **Lyudmila Gorodetskaya,** Cambridge University Press. *From General to Academic English: Changes in Cambridge First and Advanced and their Correlation with English Language Olympiads for School and University Students.*

17.00 – 17.15 Break

Plenary workshop

17.15 – 18.00 **Peter Stepichev** (2014 Teacher of the Year in Moscow, IV 2014 participant)*A Multiplying Effect in Teaching English Grammar Using Grammar Cubes and Grammar Puzzle Games.*

18.00 – 19.00 Wine and cheese reception

***Tuesday, December 16***

Plenary

14.00 – 15.00 **Jerry Frank (ELO for Russia US Embassy Moscow)** *Let Every Lesson be a “Lasting” Lesson!*

15.00-15.30 **Peter Stepichev** (2014 Teacher of the Year in Moscow, IV 2014 participant): *US-Russia International Visitor Programme: the Lessons We Learn from Each Other.*

15.30-15.50 **Lyudmila Kuznetsova (Saint Petersburg State University)** English for Academics - a new resource for mature learners and teachers.

15.50- 16.30 **Poster Presentation sessions**. POSTER PRESENTATIONS CONTEST! The Jury will include SPELTA Council Members and Writing Experts.

 **Tea and coffee will be served during the poster session!**

16.30 – 17.15 **Elena Solovova, Aida Rodomanchenko (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)** *Developing speaking for academic purposes and international exams: ability to handle interjections*

Pre-Christmas workshop

17.20–18.20 **Irina Grishenkova and her students** THE  SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS – ARE YOU ALREADY CAPTURED? (Holidays  celebration as a way of arousing students’ motivation.)

18.20 – 19.00Conference Closing: **Poster Presentation contest results and Lottery - Tatiana Ivanova,** **Yulia Sergaeva, Elena Vdovina, Maria Kopylovskaya (**SPELTA Board)