



Russian Orthodox Church representatives take part in discussion at the conference of leaders of Rossotrudnichestvo representations abroad

On July 24, 2018, leaders and representatives of the Rossotrudnichestvo (Federal Agency for the Commonwealth of Independent States, Compatriots Living Abroad and International Humanitarian Cooperation) missions held a section discussion on Support for Representatives of Partner Non-Commercial Organizations in Developing and Promoting International Humanitarian Projects, as part of their annual meeting at the press center of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The section was moderated by A. Radkov, Rossotrudnichestvo deputy head, and L. Dal, adviser to the Rossotrudnichestvo head. The attendees included representatives of state institutions, public organizations and traditional religious communities in Russia.

The Russian Orthodox Church was represented by Archbishop Antoniyy, head of the Moscow Patriarchate office for institutions abroad, and Archpriest Sergiy Zvonarev, secretary of the Moscow Patriarchate department for external church relations office for the far-abroad.

Participating in the discussion from the Muslim community in Russia was Mufti A. P. Krganov, chairman of the Muslim Assembly in Russia.

Archbishop Antoniyy, speaking on behalf of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia, conveyed to the gathering the Patriarch's best wishes of successful and fruitful work and informed them about the work of the Russian Church's institutions abroad and their experience of relations with state-run structures in that area.

The section considered the promotion of the Russian education abroad, development of public relations and popularization in other countries of the Russian historical and cultural heritage.

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