



**THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH**

Department for External Church Relations

## **Russian Orthodox Church will take part in the Year of Russia in Italy and in Spain**

On 2 June 2010, hegumen Philipp (Ryabykh), deputy chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations, took part in the conferences on the programmes of the Year of Russian Culture and Language in Italy and the Year of Italian Culture and Language in Russia, and also the Year of Russia in Spain and the Year of Spain in Russia.

The participants in the conferences chaired by Mikhail Svydkoi, special presidential envoy on international cultural cooperation, discussed cultural events and actions due to be organized in the capitals and regions of Russia, Italy, and Spain in 2011.

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