



## Rosoboronexport meets partners at Spasskaya Tower

JSC Rosoboronexport (part of the Rostec State Corporation) is the general sponsor of the Spasskaya Tower 2018 International Military Music Festival, which will be held from August 24 to September 2, 2018 on Red Square in Moscow.

“Last year, Spasskaya Tower celebrated its first major anniversary, 10 years of existence. Over the years, the festival has earned the right to be called one of the major cultural events in the capital. All this time, Rosoboronexport has been providing not only financial support to the festival. Upon the invitation of the Company, high-ranking officials from the governments and law enforcement agencies of Russia's partner countries become spectators of Spasskaya Tower. They have never been indifferent to what was happening on the main square of Russia,” said Alexander Mikheev, Director General of Rosoboronexport.

Traditionally, Spasskaya Tower coincides with the Army International Military Technical Forum, one of the world's leading defense exhibitions. These days, Rosoboronexport is receiving numerous high-level delegations from almost all regions of the world. Many of them attend the festival on Red Square at the invitation by the Company.

“For our foreign colleagues, the invitation to the festival has become an important item of their visit to Russia. They know perfectly well: here it is possible to enjoy a unique performance after difficult business negotiations. Everything is available here: the marching grace of elite Honor Guard units for Heads of State, the elegance of the best cavalry groups, the stunning sound of military and folk orchestras from many countries of the world, and performances of world-class pop stars. We have repeatedly seen that Spasskaya Tower inspires confidence in the strength of cooperation, reminds us that all the problems and contradictions are resolvable when addressed in a creative way,” said Alexander Mikheev.

Spasskaya Tower has been held since 2007 in accordance with the instruction of Russian President Vladimir Putin under the auspices of the Public Council. Over the years, the festival has attracted 150 orchestras from more than 50 countries of the world.

At the festival, the best military bands from Europe and Asia, as well as an international team of Scottish dancers show their skills. The Honor Guard companies from Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Mongolia present their performances, while the Cavalry Honorary Escort of the Presidential Regiment and the Kremlin Equestrian School traditionally demonstrate dressage miracles.

The festival includes the Spasskaya Tower for Children project, a competition of children's brass bands. Children's ensembles from different cities and countries, honor guards, concerts, interactive classes, and creative studios expect guests on a specially built platform.



An important part of the Spasskaya Tower festival is an extensive charity program providing for free-of-charge distribution of several thousand tickets among socially vulnerable groups of the population, as well as in children's institutions, schools in Moscow, the Moscow region and other regions of Russia.

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