



## Rosoboronexport acts as general sponsor of the Spasskaya Tower festival 2016

From August 27 to September 4, 2016 Moscow's Red Square will host the "Spasskaya Tower" International Military Music Festival. Rosoboronexport (part of the Rostec State Corporation) has been traditionally general sponsor of the event.

Spasskaya Tower, the world's largest parade of military orchestras, is being held for the ninth time. In 2016, 20 best military bands from 12 countries of Europe and Asia, as well as the International Scottish Highland Dance Team will show their skills by the Moscow Kremlin walls. Honor Guard companies from Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Mongolia will present their performances to guests while the Honor Cavalry Escort of the Presidential Regiment and the Kremlin Riding School will traditionally show the wonders of dressage.

Mireille Mathieu, a prominent French pop singer, will take part in the festival for the eighth time and will sing a duet with People's Artist of Russia Tamara Gverdtsiteli. Turetsky Choir & SOPRANO and singer Zara will also perform their programs for the guests of the festival.

The Spasskaya Tower to Children project will hold a festival of children's brass bands. Eleven children's groups from different cities and countries, a competition of honor guards, concerts, interactive events, creative studios and informative entertainments expect guests on a specially built platform.

75 thousand people will watch the spectacular show from the stands mounted by the Kremlin walls, while several million viewers will see performances on TV screens. Some spectators will attend the festival free of charge under a giveaway program. All this and many other things became possible thanks to Rosoboronexport's sponsorship.

"The music that sounds at the festival is a versatile tool of international communication. Spasskaya Tower's new traditions and dramatic events give birth to beautiful feelings and inspire all those involved to make great deeds for the sake of peace. Spectacularity, solemnity, beauty, elegance of the performances of military bands and folk groups give each of us a strong positive emotional charge, a boost to cooperate," said Rosoboronexport CEO Anatoly Isaykin.

The Spasskaya Tower festival is held in accordance with the instruction of Russian President Vladimir Putin under the auspices of the Public Council led by Alexander Zhukov, First Deputy Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation. The festival has been attended by more than 140 orchestras from 54 countries in the previous 8 years.



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