THE COMMITTEE OF BASHKORTOSTAN REPUBLIC FOR UNESCO

FEDERAL STATE EDUCATIONAL BUDGETARY INSTITUTION OF HIGHER PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

“UFA STATE PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY”

**Invitation Letter**

***Dear colleagues!***

We invite you to take part in the **III International Language Festival in Bashkortostan** that will be held on **December 7-8, 2013** at Ufa State Petroleum Technological University.

**Language Festival** is a mass cultural and educational event devoted to languages, linguistics and intercultural communication organized within the framework of international educational project “Language Festival”. Currently this project is successfully implemented in a number of Russian cities: (Cheboksary, Ulyanovsk, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Nizhny Novgorod, Volgograd, Ufa, Izhevsk, Kaluga, Yakutsk, Veliky Novgorod, Perm, Yekaterinburg) and abroad (Kiev, Odessa, Berdyansk, Yalta, Minsk, Tbilisi, Kishinev, Nanjing). The Festival held under the auspices of UNESCO is aimed at demonstrating unique linguistic diversity of the world and the significance of each human language, stimulating interest in the study of foreign languages and the languages of the Russian Federation, covering a variety of issues of cross-cultural communication as one of the most important aspects of society in the age of globalization. Besides, the Festival promotes linguistic competence of participants and attendees and also strengthens various professional and cultural connections between them.

Languages are traditionally presented at 30-45-minute presentations during which one can listen to the sound of a particular language, learn some phrases in the language, get acquainted with interesting facts of its history and structure, communicate with people from other cultures and also learn about linguocultural peculiarities of communication in this language. Along with presentations linguistic contests, language clubs, linguoconcerts, informative lectures in linguistics, workshops are welcomed. A presenter may use various visual aids: placards, informational stands, blackboards, PowerPoint, and others. The choice of a particular visual aid depends on the presenter.

The Festival ends with the closing ceremony. Participants are given traditional certificates of participation and various souvenirs.

There is no registration fee for the Festival. Presentations’ duration – 40 minutes. Participants are responsible for their own travel arrangements, meals and lodgings. A block of rooms in a hostel will be booked for non-resident participants. The information concerning the cost of lodging will be given later. All the applications should be submitted till **November 18, 2013**.

For more details contact: <oftrk@mail.ru> or <mir-lina@yandex.ru>. We will be happy to see you and your colleagues in the festive atmosphere of languages polyphony!☺

*Sincerely,*

*The Language Festival Organizing Committee*

Participant Registration Form

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|  | Surname, name, patronymic |  |
|  | Topic of presentation |  |
| 3. | Company/institute |  |
| 4. | Position |  |
| 5. | City |  |
| 6. | Phone number |  |
| 7. | E-mail address |  |
| 8. | Hotel reservation |  |
| 9. | Special technical equipment needed to make a presentation |  |
| 10. | Dates of arrival and departure (for out-of-area participants) |  |