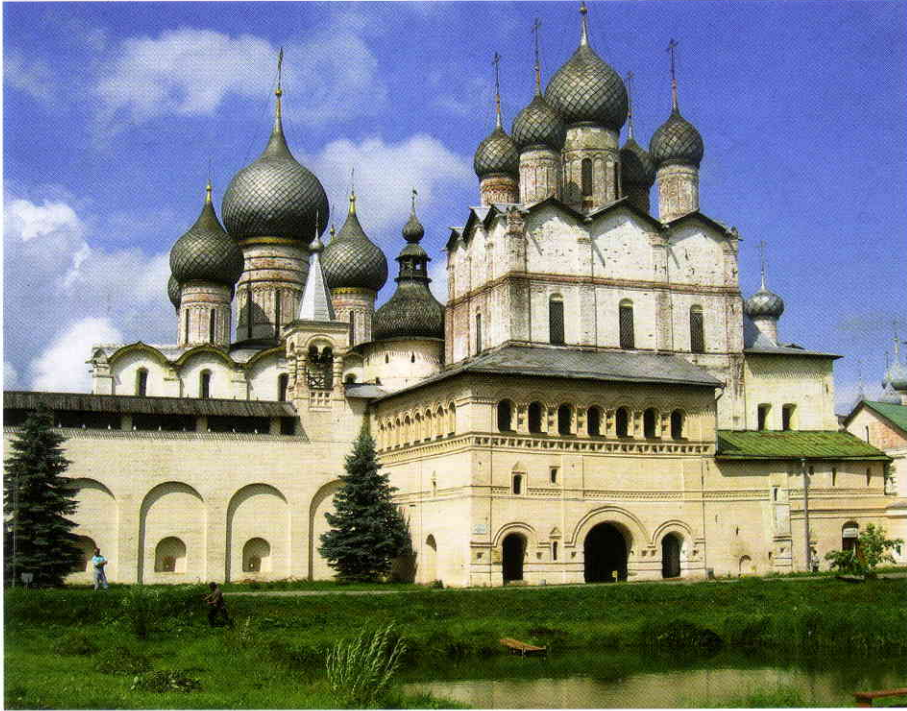


MICE Moscow debuts



Moscow – International fair organiser, MSI Fairs & Exhibitions have announced the launch of MICE Moscow, one of the most comprehensive industry events for the Russian market.

MICE Moscow consists of several events and will be held on September 20, one day before the start of Russia's largest autumn tourism fair, "Otdykh-Leisure 2005". The venue, the Penta Renaissance Hotel, is five-minutes walking distance from Leisure-venue Sport Complex Olympiiskiy in Moscow.

The combination of a high level international conference and a sales orientated workshop make MICE Moscow a unique and extensive platform for the whole industry. The show is designed for meeting professionals, corporate buyers, MICE travel agents as well as official authorities.

International meeting and conference associations (ICCA, MPI, RBTA and SITE), Russian and international key DMC's and MICE venues and national tourist boards, including Catalonia, Dubai, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Israel,

Malta, Singapore, South Africa and Spain, have already confirmed their attendance.

The international conference will consist of several panel discussions and educational sessions, as well as seminars and presentations. Renowned experts will talk about different issues in the MICE industry.

Experts include Lutz Vogt (Managing Director of German Convention Bureau, Member of ICCA Board of Directors), Roger Tondeur (CEO of MCI Group S.A. and Immediate Past President of SITE), Thomas Rupperti (CEO of Austria Centre Vienna), Fabien Dutriaux (Business Development Manager of Grimaldi Forum) and Carolyn Dow (Dow Consultancy, Member of MPI and SITE).



AIPC members swell

Brussels – The addition of 13 new member congress centres over the past six months has swelled membership in the International Association of Congress Centres (AIPC) to 140 centres in 50 countries worldwide. This level of membership is the highest AIPC has ever experienced, and represents a high degree of global coverage for the association.

The wide geographic diversity of the new members means that AIPC is well on track to achieving its goal of true global representation.

Established in 1959, AIPC is the industry association for professional congress, convention and exhibition centre managers worldwide. It is committed to encouraging and recognising excellence in centre management, while at the same time providing the tools to achieving such high standards through its research, educational and networking programmes.

List of new members

- CCIB Centre Convencions Internacional Barcelona, Spain
- Internationales Kongresszentrum Bundeshaus Bonn, Germany
- The Boston Convention & Exhibition Centre, USA
- Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre, Australia
- Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia
- The Barbican Centre, London UK
- Trade Fairs and Congress Centre of Malaga, Spain
- The Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, Australia
- Messe Congress Centrum Stuttgart, Germany
- Helexpo Congress Centre Ioannis Velidis, Thessaloniki, Greece
- The Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Canada
- The Victoria Conference Centre, Canada
- Austria Centre Vienna

Date with PATA

Kuala Lumpur – PATA Travel Mart 2005 (PTM) will take place at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC) Malaysia, from September 27-30, 2005.

Every year, PTM attracts destinations and suppliers from throughout Asia Pacific, making it one of the region's premier travel trade events and forum for travel products in one of the world's most dynamic regions.

PTM is the fastest-growing travel trade show in world's fastest growing region. PTM04 in Bangkok attracted a total of 345 global buyers representing 309 organisations from 45 countries and 720 seller delegates representing 342 organisations from 37 countries. PTM05 expects to be bigger and better.