## LaRouches Address Conference in Russia

Dec. 22—The 5th International Conference on Fundamental and Applied Problems of Sustained Development in the System "Nature—Society—Man" opened yesterday at Dubna State University in the Moscow Region, near Russia's capital.

This year's conference title is "Problems of Measuring and Managing Sustained Development in the Face of Global Challenges, Risks and Threats," with a special focus on the significance and potential of China's Silk Road Economic Belt for all Eurasia.

Greetings to the conference from American economist Lyndon LaRouche and a video-taped speech by Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche were highlights of the opening plenary session.

The Dubna conferences were initiated in 2010 by Prof. Boris Bolshakov, a close associate of the late Pobisk Kuznetsov, a Russian visionary scientist and organizer of industry, who in the last years of his life became a friend and dialogue partner of LaRouche. Officially held by the P.G. Kuznetsov International School of Sustained Development, the conference was hosted by Dubna State University and co-sponsored by the Russian Academy of Sciences, the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences, the Russian Academy of Engineering, and the Kazakhstan National Academy of Natural Sciences. Upwards of 200 people took part over the two days, with attendance from several regions of Russia, as well as Belarus and Kazakhstan.

LaRouche's greetings (below) emphasized "the special task and responsibility of science to provide the human race with a perspective for a sustainable existence as a galactic species," citing the exemplary work of Academician Vladimir Vernadsky. This was one of two messages presented during the opening of the conference, the other being from Ms. Na Jinhua, president of the Jiangxi Science and Technology Normal University, China.

During the plenary session, Helga Zepp-LaRouche's video on the Silk Road electrified the audience. Recorded November 10 for conferences in Colombia and Mexico, as well as the Dubna conference, it was pre-

sented in Dubna under the title "The Strategic Significance of the New Silk Road." (It is <u>posted online</u>; the title pages and subtitles are in Russian, with the audio in English.) When the video ended, most of the audience burst into applause.

## Greetings from Lyndon LaRouche

Dec. 21—This message from Lyndon LaRouche was presented today to the conference at Dubna, Russia.

The world has never been in such a peril as it is at the present time, when the combination of the pending disintegration of the trans-Atlantic financial system and the related danger of a geopolitically motivated thermonuclear extinction is putting the future of mankind into jeopardy.

In these times it is the special task and responsibility of science to provide the human race with a perspective for a sustainable existence as a galactic species, as the only species known in the universe so far, whose creativity can again and again break through the boundaries of existing knowledge, reaching deeper and deeper into the inner lawfulness of the physical universe, of which human creativity is the most advanced expression.

If this world is to be saved—and it must and it will—it is the living tradition of such great minds as Vladimir Vernadsky and Pobisk Kuznetsov, which will show the pathway. We must encourage young scientists from the entire world, to come forward with new creative ideas to define the next epoch of civilization, an epoch of creativity per se, as the only condition, worthy of the dignity of man. I wish your conference all possible success and remain yours,

Lyndon LaRouche 18 December 2015

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