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LEGAL PROFESSION:  
RUSSIA AND WORLDWIDE

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PROGRAMME



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# PROGRAMME

## 14.00-14.20 WELCOME SPEECH

Yury Pilipenko  
President of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers

## 14.20-17.00 STATEMENTS

### «LEGAL SERVICES IN TODAY'S RUSSIA»

14:20-14:40 Andrey Klishas  
Chairman of the Federation Council's Committee for constitutional legislation and state-building

14:40-15:00 Vladimir Pligin  
Chairman of the State Duma's Committee for constitutional legislation and state-building

15:00-15:20 Yury Lubimov  
Deputy Minister of Justice of the Russian Federation

### «THE ROLE OF LAWYERS IN A STATE BASED ON THE RULE-OF-LAW»

15:20-15:40 Ekkehart Schäfer  
President of the German Federal Bar

### «OPENING THE LEGAL MARKET FOR FOREIGN LAWYERS: A BRIDGE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST»

15:40-16:00 Stephen Hung  
President of the Law Society of Hong Kong

«LEGAL PRACTICE MODELS FIT FOR THE FUTURE»

16:00-16:20 Jonathan Smithers  
President of the Law Society of England and Wales

«UNIFORM STANDARDS OF LEGAL PROFESSION:  
EU AND FRENCH EXPERIENCE»

16:20-16:40 François-Antoine Cros  
Treasurer of the French National Bar Council

«DIGITALIZATION OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION:  
VIRTUAL LAW FIRMS, E-LAWYERING, E-JUSTICE»

16:40-17:00 William Hubbard  
Ex-President of the American Bar Association

17.00-17.30 DISCUSSION AND CLOSING REMARKS

Yury Pilipenko  
President of the Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers