



COSMOSCOW AND QATAR AIRWAYS ANNOUNCE 5-YEAR PARTNERSHIP

Qatar Airways will become General Partner of Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair

Moscow – Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair and Qatar Airways announce the start of 5-year partnership within the Qatar-Russia Year of Culture. As the General Partner of Cosmoscow, Qatar Airways will be represented at the main venue of the Fair at Gostiny Dvor from 6 to 9 September, 2018 and will have an opportunity to participate in a number of Cosmoscow projects and programmes. The Memorandum of Understanding between Cosmoscow and Qatar Airways was signed in the presence of His Excellency Mr. Salah bin Ghanem Al Ali, Minister of Culture and Sport of the State of Qatar at the St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya on March 26, 2018.

“During this, the Year of Culture between Russia and the State of Qatar, it is wonderful to see the development of collaboration between our two countries, not only in terms of transport links and enhanced trade cooperation, but with stronger cultural ties in this, the celebration of the arts. I am sure that this partnership will generate mutual benefits for all involved, while encouraging a flourishing arts event here in Moscow,” said **H.E. Mr. Fahad bin Mohammed Al Attiyah**, Ambassador of the State of Qatar to the Russian Federation.

Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, **His Excellency Mr. Akbar Al Baker**, further commented: *“Qatar Airways celebrates strong links with Russia, with triple daily flights to Moscow and daily flights to St. Petersburg, from our home and hub, Hamad International Airport. During this widely celebrated Year of Culture between Russia and the State of Qatar, I am delighted to further strengthen our ties with this partnership, highlighting our shared countries beliefs in the importance of art as a means of bringing people together. I personally look forward to Cosmoscow opening this September and to being part of this exciting international showcase.”*

“We are honored to become the first art fair supported by Qatar Airways and grateful to the new General Partner of Cosmoscow for long-term cooperation. Our partnership will contribute to the establishment of cultural dialogue between Qatar and Russia, as well as to the development of the Fair and its numerous initiatives. It will further strengthen the integration of Russian contemporary art into the international context. We want to thank the Ambassador of the State of Qatar for his involvement in the process and we hope that Cosmoscow will become one of the brightest events within the framework of the Qatar-Russia Year of Culture,” added **Margarita Pushkina**, Founding Director of Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair and Founder of Cosmoscow Foundation for Contemporary Art.

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Cosmoscow

Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair was launched by Russian collector and philanthropist Margarita Pushkina in 2010 and aims to bring together both Russian and international collectors, galleries and artists. Cosmoscow is Russia's only international art fair taking place every September with its own spot in an international art calendar. The 5th anniversary edition of the fair took place at the Gostiny Dvor on September 8-10, 2017 representing a record number of 54 Russian and international galleries and welcoming 19,200 guests. Over 2,000 people visited Cosmoscow Collectors' Preview.



Qatar Airways

Qatar Airways, the national carrier of the State of Qatar, is celebrating more than 20 years of Going Places Together with travellers across its more than 150 business and leisure destinations. The world's fastest-growing airline will add a number of exciting new destinations to its growing network in 2018, including Thessaloniki, Greece; Cardiff, UK and many more, flying passengers on board its modern fleet of more than 200 aircraft.

A multiple award-winning airline, Qatar Airways was named 'Airline of the Year' by the 2017 World Airline Awards, managed by international air transport rating organisation Skytrax. It was also named 'World's Best Business Class,' 'Best Airline in the Middle East,' and 'World's Best First Class Airline Lounge.'

Qatar Airways is a member of the oneworld global alliance. The award-winning alliance was named the World's Best Airline Alliance 2015 by Skytrax for the third year running. Qatar Airways was the first Gulf carrier to join global airline alliance, oneworld, enabling its passengers to benefit from more than 1,000 airports in more than 150 countries, with 14,250 daily departures.

Oryx One, Qatar Airways' in-flight entertainment system offers passengers up to 4,000 entertainment options from the latest blockbuster movies, TV box sets, music, games and much more. Passengers flying on Qatar Airways flights served by its B787, A350, A380, A319 and select A320 and A330 aircraft can also stay in touch with their friends and family around the world by using the award-winning airline's on-board Wi-Fi and GSM service.

Qatar Airways proudly supports a range of exciting international and local initiatives dedicated to enriching the global community that it serves. Qatar Airways, the official FIFA partner, is the official sponsor of many top-level sporting events, including the FIFA 2018 and 2022 World Cups, reflecting the values of sports as a means of bringing people together, something at the core of the airline's own brand message - Going Places Together.

Qatar Airways Cargo, the world's third largest international cargo carrier, serves more than 60 exclusive freighter destinations worldwide via its world-class Doha hub and also delivers freight to more than 150 key business and leisure destinations globally with more than 200 aircraft. The Qatar Airways Cargo fleet includes eight Airbus A330 freighters, 13 Boeing 777 freighters and two Boeing 747-8 freighters.



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The St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya is a luxurious hotel located in the historical center of the city, the heart of the Russian capital, just a few steps away from the Red Square, the Kremlin and Gostiny Dvor – Cosmoscow Fair's venue. The hotel offers 210 spacious rooms and suites, including the Presidential and Royal suites, 150 sq.m. each. Some of the rooms overlook the Lubyanka Square, others face a cozy inner courtyard. The hotel features an Italian

osteria A Tavola, lobby bar and Orlov lounge, 6 conference rooms, including the Rooftop room with a panoramic view of the Kremlin and the Red Square. The hotel also offers an exclusive Iridium SPA complex with an indoor pool and patio, sauna, hammam and a modern fitness center. A distinguished feature of the hotel is its butler service for all room types, which provides individual service for every guest. www.stregimoscow.com
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