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6TH COSMOSCOW INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY ART FAIR

- Main Programme in 7 sections with participation of 70 galleries from all over the world
 - A number of commissioned projects presented by Cosmoscow Foundation
- Curated exhibitions, presentation of a media art collection formed by the Pushkin Museum
 - 3-day educational programme, Cosmoscow Kids and Parallel programme
 - 5 works by Taus Makhacheva are donated to the Pushkin Museum

Press Release, September 6, 2018 – The Main programme of the 6th Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair supported by Main Partner **Qatar Airways**, Strategic Partner **Credit Suisse**, Automobile Partner **Audi**, Official Partner **Beluga** and Official Hotel **St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya** features a record number of galleries and artists in **7 curated sections** introducing **70 galleries** from Russia and Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Georgia, Kingdom of Bahrain, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland that exhibit **works by more than 250 artists**.

At the press conference on September 6 was announced the **donation of 5 works by 2018 Artist of the Year Taus Makhacheva** for the new collection of media art formed as a part of the *Pushkin Museum XXI* programme. Andre Rogger, head of Credit Suisse Art Collection, announced the **winner of the Credit Suisse Cosmoscow Prize for Young Artists**. The winner is Asya Marakulina who presents works from the Passages series at Cosmoscow 2018. At the press conference **winners of the Cosmoscow Stand Prize 2018** were announced. The international jury has selected HLAM and Osnova Gallery.

This year Cosmoscow is visited by a number of Russian and international honorable guests, such as artists: Emilia Kabakova, Gary Hill and Hans Vandekerckhove; collectors Daniel and Florence Guerlain; curators and museum heads: Kati Kivinen, the Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma; Nikola Lucci-Gutnikov, Centre Pompidou curator; Egbert Domering, professor at the Information Law Institute of the Amsterdam University; Nick Iljin, curator; Carlos Duran, co-founder and director of the international video art fair LOOP; Anton Belov, Garage Museum of Contemporary Art; Marina Loshak, director, the

Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts; **Zelfira Tregulova**, director, the State Tretyakov gallery; artists and curators from Qatar: **Reem Fadda**, is an independent curator and art historian, curator of What We Are Made Of exhibition, artistic director of the 6th Marrakech Biennale (2016); **Bouthayna Al Muftah**, artist, Doha, Qatar; **Mohammed Al Atiq**, artist, Doha, Qatar; and many others.

"I am pleased to announce an increasing number of galleries and artists participating in Cosmoscow, the growing circle of partnering institutions, the further diversification of our educational and parallel programmes. It further confirms that the fair is expanding and that the Russian art market is blossoming. The introduction of three new curated sections and a number of special exhibition projects reflects the variety of the Russian contemporary art market," said Margarita Pushkina, Founding Director of Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair.

PROGRAMME OF THE COSMOSCOW FOUNDATION FOR CONTEMPORARY ART

Established in 2017, the Foundation provides systematic support to the development, promotion and representation of contemporary Russian art and a new generation of authors through exhibitions, educational and patronage initiatives. As part of Cosmoscow 2018, the Foundation presents a number of special projects commissioned for the Fair, including projects by Cosmoscow 2018 **Artist of the Year** – Taus Makhacheva; Cosmoscow 2018 **Institution of the Year** – Smena Center of Contemporary Culture (Kazan); the winner of the 2017 **Ruinart Art Patronat** grant – Alexey Martins. Cosmoscow 2018 also features the first public presentation of a new collection of media art formed by the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts, Cosmoscow 2018 **Museum of the Year**, as a part of *Pushkin Museum XXI* programme.

As part of partnership with the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts, 2018 Museum of the Year, Cosmoscow announces the **donation of 5 works by 2018 Artist of the Year Taus Makhacheva** for the new collection of media art formed as a part of the *Pushkin Museum XXI* programme. All of the works are present at the Museum's special pavilion at Cosmoscow. They include "Carpet" (2006), "Karakul" (2007), "Rekhen (avar language flock)" (2009), "Endeavour" (2010), "Baida" (2017). The works are donated to the Museum with the support of the Cosmoscow Foundation.

CURATED EXHIBITION OF CONTEMPORARY QATARI ART IN RUSSIA

As the Main Partner of Cosmoscow, **Qatar Airways** is represented at the Fair with an exhibition entitled **What We Are Made Of** curated by **Reem Fadda**, an independent curator and art historian. The exhibition, taking place within Year of Culture Qatar–Russia 2018 features works of pioneering and most prolific Qatari artists along with leading contemporary female Qatari artists.

"This exhibition represents a more nuanced understanding of what is meant by "growth" and "development" happening in Qatar, through an existential materialistic underpinning. The artists respond critically to their environment and historical conditions, and base their practice on a primarily material and textural approach," said **Reem Fadda**, curator of the exhibition.

CREDIT SUISSE COSMOSCOW PRIZE FOR YOUNG ARTISTS

Credit Suisse has been the Strategic Partner to Cosmoscow since 2015, and the bank carries on supporting the fair in its mission to develop the contemporary art market in Russia and to make Russian artists more visible on the international level. At the fair opening, Credit Suisse and Cosmoscow

announced the laureate of their joint award for young artistic talent in Russia. The Credit Suisse Cosmoscow Prize for Young Artists was introduced in 2016, and this year Asya Marakulina from Saint Petersburg was selected the winner by the international jury in a two-step process. She will receive a financial grant, mentorship support, art trip to Switzerland and opportunity to participate in art residency at the PROGR Art Center in Bern. Asya is an artist, illustrator and production designer of animated films. She has already had 9 personal exhibitions in Moscow and Saint Petersburg, and also participated in many group exhibitions and festivals in different Russian cities, Stockholm and Helsinki. In her artistic practice, Asya seeks to bring out some of the common factors which are applicable to the nature and human beings. At Cosmoscow 2018, she presents works from the Passages series.

"We had very strong nominations for this year's Prize, and it wasn't an easy choice, which is a testament to a very rich contemporary artistic culture in Russia", said **Andre Rogger**, head of Credit Suisse Art Collection. "I congratulate Asya on her win, and I hope that the award itself and the art residency in particular will expand her international network and inspire her for new projects".

RUINART ART PATRONAT

Cosmoscow announces prolonging for the second year of the Ruinart Art Patronat established last year by the Cosmoscow Foundation for Contemporary Art. The Ruinart Art Patronat was established in 2017 to provide support and promotion of contemporary Russian artists by means of creating favourable conditions for their artistic development and fulfillment. Specially commissioned Work of the last year's winner Alexey Martins is present at Cosmoscow 2018.

COLLECTOR'S EYE EXHIBITION OF PRIVATE LOANS HELPING TO OVERCOME THE FOMO

This year, Collector's Eye contemporary art exhibition of private loans, which takes place on an annual basis as part of Cosmoscow, takes an unusual turn with a new concept. The FOMO SAPIENS project run as a pop-up center of cognitive practices representing works of Russian and international contemporary artists. The FOMO SAPIENS project, curated by Maria Kramar and organized by Smart Art, provides Cosmoscow guests with an opportunity to get into the privacy of their own minds and draw attention to their inner selves.

COSMOSCOW STAND PRIZE

For the second consecutive year, one of the exhibitors is awarded the Cosmoscow Stand Prize. This year the victory was shared by two galleries — HLAM and Osnova Gallery. This year members of the jury include Carlos Durán, Founding co-director of LOOP; Anastasia Shavlokhova, an independent art curator and a founder of the Winzavod's Philosophy club; Alexandra Danilova, deputy head of the Department of 19th and 20th Century European and American Art of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts; Valentin Dyakonov, art historian, art-critic, curator. The winners will get an opportunity to participate in Cosmoscow 2019 for half of the price.

THREE-DAY COSMOSCOW TALKS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

The programme of daily discussions, talks, and performances in 3 parts. The first part (curated by Alexey Maslyaev) is united by a common theme — "Nature", which can be traced in various interpretations in Fair's programming. The second part (curated by Reem Fadda) is dedicated to the exhibition of Qatari artists featuring international experts. The third part (curated by Olga Shishko and Yulia Grachikova) is presented by Cosmoscow 2018 Museum of the Year.

COSMOSCOW FORUM 2018 "WHAT'S NEXT?"

The Fair's educational programme is enhanced with the Cosmoscow 2018 Forum "What's next?" featuring 7 discussions about the future of such important spheres of culture as contemporary art, fashion, design and mass media with the participation of leading specialists in the corresponding fields. Among the speakers are Yurate Gurauskaite, Kristina Krasnyanskaya, Harry Nuriev, Vika Gazinskaya, Denis Simachev, Sergey Gushchin, Alexey Martins, Artem Filatov, Olga Kroytor, Alexandra Roudyk, Maria Kravtsova, Milena Orlova, Yana Zhilyaeva, Mariana Guber-Gogova, Alisa Prudnikova, and many others. The Forum takes place on September 7–9 at the Cosmoscow Media Lounge.

BELUGA & ALEXANDER KOSOLAPOV COLLABORATION

As part of Cosmoscow 2018, the longstanding partner of the fair, Beluga brand presents its new caviar concept and a special **collaboration with the famous artist Alexander Kosolapov**as part of it. The large-scale "Vodka and Caviar" art object is decorated with images of caviar and Soviet caviar cans reinvented by the artist along with the stylized Beluga logo. The Beluga brand also presents branded cocktails with Beluga Noble vodka at the VIP Lounge area of the Fair, where the Beluga bar made in the form of caviar can is located.

COSMOSCOW KIDS PROGRAMME

This year's "Modern City. Kids in the City" programme developed by the Moscow schools of arts allows its participants to create an "ideal city" and fill it with the objects and emotions that we lack in our everyday life.

COSMOSCOW PARALLEL PROGRAMME

As part of the Fair's Parallel Programme, Cosmoscow Automobile Partner Audi hosts a presentation of Natalia Alfutova's large-scale RABBIT HEART installation at the Audi City Moscow innovative showroom on Nikolskaya Street. As part of the partnership, Audi also presents brand new Audi A7 Sportback at the main venue of the fair at Gostiny Dvor. The large four-door coupé is the essence of a new luxury class design language of the brand with the four rings. Cosmoscow Parallel programme also features an exhibition of sculptures by Ivan Gorshkov – one of the most prominent representatives of the 'Voronezh wave' movement, and a co-founder of the Voronezh Center of Contemporary Art – in the patio of the long-standing partner of the Fair, St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya (12, Nikolskaya S). The sculptural group is commissioned for the exhibition by the Marina Gisich Gallery. The exhibition is open any day from September 6 to 9 from 12 pm to 4 pm. Cosmoscow Parallel Programme also features a number of exclusive events at major art institutions of the city.

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September is dedicated to collectors, press and art community. Public viewing is from **7 to 9 September** from 12 to 8 pm.

About Cosmoscow

Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair was launched by art historian, young Russian artists' patron and collector 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.

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Credit Suisse Cosmoscow Prize for Young Artists jury: David Elliott, Kati Kivinen, Dmitry Ozerkov, Andre Rogger, Olga Shishko.

Cosmoscow Stand Prize jury: Alexandra Danilova, Valentin Dyakonov, Carlos Duran, Anastasia Shavlokhova.

Ruinart Art Patronat jury: Alistair Hicks, Alexey Maslyaev, Svetlana Stishkova, Vasily Tsereteli.

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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.

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Year of Culture Qatar-Russia 2018

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