

Pacific Energy Forum-2005

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The 1st Pacific Energy Forum (PEF 2005) was held on 6th–7th September 2005 in Vladivostok, Russia. The main organizer was the Far Eastern Center for Strategic Research on Fuel and Energy Complex Development. The co-organizers were the Far Eastern Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, the International Institute of Energy Policy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia, Far Eastern State Technical University, Far Eastern Energy Management Company, the Economic Research Institute for Northeast Asia (ERINA) and the Korean Energy Economics Institute (KEEI). Participants included delegates from China, the DPRK, Japan, the ROK and a number of governmental, academic and research organizations from Russia.

Prominent Russian academics gave presentations on the current status of and problems relating to the reform of energy systems and the strategic development of the fuel and energy complexes in Far Eastern Russia. Other issues discussed include energy and energy conservation, the training of technical and engineering personnel for energy enterprises, and issues relating to oil, gas, coal and other energy resources in the Russian Far East. Dr. V.I. Sergienko, Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences, delivered a speech entitled *Major Problems in the Strategic Development of the Far Eastern Fuel and Energy Complex*, while Dr. G.V. Apanasenko, Deputy Plenipotentiary Representative of the Russian President in the Far Eastern Region gave a speech entitled *Russia's Energy Strategy to 2020 and Major Problems in Forming Energy Markets in Northeast Asia*.

Dr. Kyoung-Sool Kim of KEEI gave a presentation entitled *Energy Cooperation Between Russia and the ROK: The Problems and Perspectives*, while Dr. Young-Seok Moon spoke about *The Korean View on the East Siberian Oil Pipeline Construction Project*. Dr. Li, Director of the Russian Institute at Heilongjiang University spoke on the topic *Problems Concerning Energy Resources in China and Cooperation between China and Russia in the Field of Energy Resources*. The delegates from the DPRK, Mr. Dong Yun Han, Director of the Department of Electric Power, State Planning Commission, and Dr. Yu Song Kim of the Institute of Electricity at the Academy of Science, gave speeches on the structure and current status of the DPRK's energy sector. The author of this report presented a paper entitled *Issues Relating to the Integration of Energy and Environmental Policies in Northeast Asia*.

Based on the issues discussed, the participants issued a memorandum in which they recognized the necessity of mutual understanding and cooperation with regard to such issues as locating potential reserves of energy resources in the region, the cooperative exploration and development of major fields, the elaboration of a strategic plan for energy resources that takes into account the interests of all the participants, and joint participation in energy saving and resource conservation projects. The memorandum was signed by representatives of the participating countries and it was decided to send it to the relevant governments.

It was also decided to consider the possibility of establishing an International Committee for Energy Development with headquarters in Vladivostok, Russia, and to make the Pacific Energy Forum an annual event held in participating countries.