

PRESS RELEASE

Implementing Order #510p dated November 25, 2016 by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Belarus, the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus in collaboration with other stakeholders is holding **TIBO-2017 — the 24th International Specialized Forum on Telecommunications, Information and Banking Technologies** — on **April 18-21, 2017**.

The TIBO forum is held annually in the Republic of Belarus; and it is a platform to exchange new achievements and the best practices in information technologies.

The TIBO-2017 exhibition highlights a number of **thematic areas**:

- The National Information Infrastructure;
- Information and Communication Services;
- Complex solutions for telecommunications providers;
- Telecommunications networks design and installation services;
- Digital TV, Radio, and Internet broadcasting and motion picture production;
- Mobile services and applications;
- Information technologies in urban planning, housing and utilities;
- Information technologies in social and cultural areas;
- Geo-information and navigation technologies;
- Digital technologies in printing and publishing business;
- Robotics.

Over 100 companies from **17 countries** will present their products and participate in the TIBO-2017 exhibition (Belarus, Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Lithuania, Latvia, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Austria, Finland, Sweden, China, South Korea, Japan, USA).

The exhibitors include leading fixed line and mobile communications providers: Beltelecom RUE National Telecommunication Operator of the Republic of Belarus, Mobile TeleSystems JLLC, Velcom Unitary Enterprise, BeST CJSC, Belarussian Cloud Technologies JLLC; cable operators: Cosmos-TV JV and MTIS OAO; Belpochta Republican Unitary Enterprise of Posts. The exhibition will widely present the world-known brand-names: Huawei, Nokia Networks, ZTE, Canon, Epson, Samsung, Motorola, Eaton and others.

In addition to the individual stands of the companies, the exhibition will host the collective stands of the State Committee for Science and Technology of the Republic of Belarus, the Minsk City Executive Committee, the Ministry of Industry of the Republic of Belarus, the High Tech Park, as well as the national stands of Azerbaijan and Lithuania.

The progress and prospects of e-Government development in the Republic of Belarus will be presented at the collective stand of the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus; the stand will show live e-services provided by the organizations subordinate to various public administration authorities. The displayed e-Government services will be divided into three interoperation scopes: G2G, G2C, G2B.

The **TIBO-2017 Forum Business Agenda** lists **over 30 thematic activities** on digital transformation of the key governance and economy sectors: industry, agriculture, trade, science, education, health, and the financial sector. Special attention will be focused on applying such technologies as the Internet of Things and Cloud Technologies. In addition, the Forum Agenda offers specialized events on the key success factors in digital transformation: regulatory and engineering frameworks, security, and innovations.

At the TIBO-2017 forum, prizes will be awarded to the winners of the competitions: **the TIBO-2017 Internet Prize**, and **the Belarus ICT Start-up Award**.

Strengthening and development of international cooperation of the Republic of Belarus in the field of communications and information will also be facilitated by holding **the Joint Meeting of the 52nd Council of the Heads of the Communications Administrations of the Regional Communications Commonwealth** (on April 18, 2017) and the 23rd Coordinating Council of the CIS Member States on Informatization under the Regional Communications Commonwealth; the TIBO forum will host **Belphila-2017 — the 9th National Philatelic Exhibition** — dedicated to the 25th anniversary of the first Belarusian mail stamp and the 950th anniversary of Minsk City.

The heads of the Communications Administrations of the Regional Communications Commonwealth, as well as the leaders of the international and regional organizations will participate in the TIBO-2017 events: **H.E. Houlin ZHAO**, Secretary General of the International Telecommunication Union; **H.E. Bishar HUSSEIN**, General Director of the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union; **H.E. Nikolay NIKIFOROV**, Chairperson of the Communications Administrations Council of the Regional Communications Commonwealth, Minister of Communications and Mass Media of the Russian Federation; and others.

The official opening ceremony of the Forum and the Digital Transformation Strategy plenary session: April 17, 2017 at 15:00, the Falcon Club Arena (Pobediteley Avenue, 20).

The official opening ceremony of TIBO-2017 — the 24th International Specialized Exhibition: April 18, 2017 at 12:00, the Roofed Soccer Arena (Pobediteley Avenue, 20/2).

The Belarusian ICT Summit: April 19, 2017 at 09:00, the Falcon Club Arena (Pobediteley Avenue, 20).

Presenting the TIBO-2017 Internet Prize competition awards: April 20, 2017 at 15:00, the Falcon Club Arena (Pobediteley Avenue, 20).

Please find the forum details at its formal website: <http://www.tibo.by/>

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