Welcome address to the organisers, participants and visitors to Neftegaz 2020 and the National Oil & Gas Forum

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the Russian Ministry of Energy I would like to welcome the organisers, participants and visitors to Neftegaz 2020 and the National Oil & Gas Forum.

A constant comprehensive monitoring of the energy sector state, identifying of priority areas for development, exchange of experience between Russian and foreign companies are the most important tools to ensure the sustainable development of the fuel and energy complex.

Over the years, the Neftegaz exhibition and the National Oil & Gas Forum proved themselves to be one of the key platforms for discussing issues relevant to the industry. This year the main topics of the Forum event programme will be economic policy issues, measures to increase investment, implementation of the import substitution programme, modernization and digitalization of the oil and gas industry, environmental and other industry aspects. The trade show will give you an opportunity to assess global technological trends and establish mutually beneficial business contacts.

I am positive that the Forum and the trade show will contribute to the improvement of the scientific and technological and production potential, and also to the expansion of international cooperation in the most important sector of the Russian economy.

Let me wish you fruitful work and interesting discussion sessions.

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