

## Russian- Singapore Nanotechnology Conference 2009

### Abstract:

RusNano has been actively building its global presence and partnerships the past 2 years. Singapore appears to be a strategic hub for RusNano to enter the Asia Pacific nanotech space as Singapore provides state of the art infrastructure for nanotechnology R & D and commercialization and easy access to the regional market. The first Russia Singapore nanotechnology conference held on Mar. 4th 2009 is indicative of the the beginning of RusNano entering the nanospace in Asia.

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Drawing close to 200 participants from industry executives, investors to government officials, scientists and entrepreneurs , the inaugural Russia-Singapore Nanotechnology Conference 2009 held on 4 March 2009 in Biopopolis showcased the Singapore Nanotechnology commercialization landscape as well as the Russian government nanotech commercialization initiative - Russian Nanotechnology Corporation (RusNano, a 5 Billion USD fund - the world largest nanotech commercialization fund).

The event was jointly organized by the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB), Singapore Business Federation (SBF), Russian Business Incubator "FUTURUS" (RBI) and Singapore leading nanotechnology consultancy NanoGlobe. It is the first in a series of events to raise awareness of Russian nanotech R & D partnership opportunities.

With more than 15 speakers from Russia and Singapore governmental organization, venture capital , Nanotech companies and industry, this full-day conference provided valuable insights into Russia-Singapore business commercialisation opportunities in the Nanotechnology field, and positioned Singapore as an ideal nanotech R & D hub in Asia Pacific region.

Russian scientists and engineers are at the forefront of various nano R&D. Its technological capabilities and large market makes it an ideal partner to Singapore business. Singapore, on the other hand offers world-class R&D infrastructure and workforce for product development. Government agencies, such as National Research Foundation (NRF), EDB, SPRING and A\*STAR provide attractive funding schemes to support innovation and technology commercialisation. With USD\$5 billion allocated to RUSNANO, a state owned company which invest in nanotechnology product development and manufacturing. Details of the event program and speakers profile can be viewed at [www.nano-globe.biz/rusnanosg2009](http://www.nano-globe.biz/rusnanosg2009).



The conference closed with an insightful panel discussion on "Opportunities for Cooperation in Nanotechnology R & D and Commercialization". Leaders from both sides expressed enthusiasm in partnership and recognized that there is synergy and great potential in working together in area of Nanotechnology commercialization.