



### **Speech of Welcome**

For the catalogue of permanent multi-industry exhibition of Russian manufacturers in Casablanca (The Kingdom of Morocco)

On behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, I welcome the participants, guests and organizers of the permanent multi-industry exhibition of Russian manufacturers in the Kingdom of Morocco.

In the difficult conditions of the international financial crisis it is very important not only to prevent the weakening of economic ties with foreign partners, but rather to preserve, maintain and actively develop a stable mutual interest to implement mutually beneficial projects in different sectors of the economy. This fully applies to the relations of the Russian Federation and the Kingdom of Morocco.

It is encouraging that a permanent multi-industry exhibition of Russian products and services has been functioning in Casablanca since December 2006. This project contributes to strengthening relations between the two countries, demonstrating the latest achievements of Russian industry, being a springboard for the Russian manufacturers to enter the market of African and Arab countries, stimulating their entrepreneurial activity, helping business circles of Morocco and other countries on the African continent to find a way to enter the Russian market.

It is necessary to mention the museum of history of Russia, which works on the basis of the exhibition. Its exposure, which is of great interest among visitors, presents the rich cultural and historical heritage of the Russian state.

I wish the participants, guests and organizers of the exhibition fruitful work, success and prosperity!

**Senior Vice President**  
**of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry**  
**of the Russian Federation**  
**B.N. Postukhov**

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