

To the participants and guests of the International Forum ‘Eurasian Educational Dialogue’ and of the semifinals of the National Championship ‘WorldSkills Russia’ in the Central federal district

Dear friends,

For the fifth time the International Forum ‘Eurasian Educational Dialogue’ supported by the Russian Ministry of Education and Science is held on the ancient Yaroslavl land.

We value the fact that over the years the Yaroslavl Forum has been acknowledged to be an authoritative platform for discussing strategic issues of education development by professional community of teachers, scientists and experts from dozens of Russian regions and many foreign countries.

The forthcoming forum implies discussions on a wide range of issues related to developing the system of quality assessment in education in our country. This theme is of particular interest in the context of improving the efficiency of educational institutions and education systems in general. It is noteworthy that attention of researchers and practitioners is focused not only on assessment of academic achievements in various subjects, but also on assessment of impact produced by other aspects of teaching pupils and students.

It is impossible to form personality of young people effectively without thoughtful considerate quality monitoring of educational process on the part of teachers. It is noteworthy that education quality assessment is no longer the teachers’ lot only; more and more parents, independent experts, representatives of business and civil society have been involved in the process.

I am also delighted to welcome the participants of the semifinals of the National Championship ‘WorldSkills Russia’ in the Central federal district. Professional skills contests held to meet international standards are a promising form of independent assessment of personnel skills, an important landmark for developing the whole system of professional education.

I wish the participants of the Forum and the semifinals of the National Championship ‘WorldSkills Russia’ the best of luck and effective work!

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Governor of the Yaroslavl region