

Round Table
“Russia-Qatar Relations in the Context of the Regional and Global Trends”
April 16, 2025

Working languages: Russian, English

**11:00-
11:20**

Welcome Remarks

Ivan Timofeev, Director General, RIAC

Leonid Issaev, Deputy Director, Centre for Stability and Risk Analysis,
Faculty of Social Sciences, HSE University

Majed Al Ansari, Advisor to Prime Minister, Official Spokesperson of Qatar
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, President of Center for International Policy Research

**11:20-
12:00**

**Expert Discussion “Mediation Efforts of Russia and Qatar in the Middle
East and Beyond”**

Majed Al Ansari, Advisor to Prime Minister, Official Spokesperson of Qatar
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, President of Center for International Policy Research

Andrey Kortunov, RIAC Member

Nikolay Sukhov, Lead Researcher, Center for the Middle East Studies, Primakov
National Research Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the
Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS)

Moderator:

Leonid Issaev, Deputy Director, Centre for Stability and Risk Analysis,
Faculty of Social Sciences, HSE University

Open Discussion

**12:00-
12:30**

Coffee Break

12:30-13:10 **Expert Discussion “Russia-Qatar Relations in the Context of the Regional Dynamics”**

Alexey Khlebnikov, Independent Analyst

Rashid Mohammed Rashid Al-Mahri Al-Muhannadi, Non-Resident Fellow,
Middle East Council on International Relations

Kirill Semenov, Independent Analyst

Moderator:

Ivan Bocharov, Program Manager, RIAC

Open Discussion

13:10-13:50 **Expert Discussion “Prospects for the Development of Russian-Qatar Cooperation in the Field of Energy”**

Vladimir Likhachev, Deputy Director, Centre for Sustainable Infrastructure Development Research, Institute of Economics and Utility Regulation, HSE University

Mohammed H. Al-Hashemi, Vice President for Strategic Relations and Director of Public & Government Affairs, Qatar Leadership Centre

Margarita Kozeniasheva, Head of the Department of International Oil and Gas Business, Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas

Gurgen Gukasyan, Leading Researcher at the Center for Arab and Islamic Studies at the Institute of Oriental Studies of the RAS, Associate Professor at the Department of State and Municipal Management of RUDN University

Moderator:

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Open Discussion

13:50-14:00 **Closing Remarks**