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Russian market continues to grow

Moscow's International College of Economics and Finance University (ICEF) has exceeded its own target of 155, by recruiting 227 new students this year – a clear demonstration of the International Programmes' growing stature in Russia.

Adding to this success, a Graduation Ceremony at the British Embassy in Moscow, saw 98 students graduate. Of the 80 undergraduates, 18 attained First Class awards.

"This success is attributed to increasing awareness of the prestige of ICEF and the International Programmes, in addition to the achievements of our Russian graduates in the job market," said Professor Kydd, Dean of the International Programme.

His comments follow a recent trip to Russia, where he was accompanied by representatives from LSE, including Rosie Gosling and Miriam Grossmanova, responsible for ICEF at LSE.

Autumn IPR visits begin today



The autumn series of Institution Periodic Review (IPR) visits begin today.

These visits to our recognised independent teaching institutions are an essential part of the process to safeguard the reputation of the University and to further our historical role of institution building around the world.

Under the Institutions Policy Framework (IPF), all institutions applying for, and those with recognised status, are subject to Institution Periodic Review visits.

October will see visits to institutions in Singapore, the UK and Trinidad & Tobago, with more to follow in Trinidad & Tobago, India, Greece, Dubai and Jersey in November. A number of CPQ staff members will act as Review Secretaries for these visits.

From today until 14 October, reviewers will visit the PSB Academy, Stansfield College, SAA Global Education Centre, ITC School of Law, the Singapore Institute of Management (SIM), and TMC Academy, all in Singapore.

Further visits will take place at Kensington College of Business in Holborn today, and the Academy of Tertiary Studies in Trinidad & Tobago on 31 October.

We will keep you posted on the progress of these visits and those scheduled for November.

Prominent speakers signed up for one-day conference

A one-day conference entitled “*Adapting to Disruptive Times: Emerging Models for Higher Education Provision*” will be hosted by the University of London International Programmes and The Observatory on Borderless Higher Education, on Thursday 3 November.

The high profile engagement of the International Programmes in this conference aims to further enhance our reputation as a ‘thought-leader’ in the world of flexible and distance learning.

Senior speakers from the private and public sectors are lined up for the conference, including Professor Sir Drummond Bone, Master of Balliol College Oxford; Dr Duleep Deosthale, Vice-President, International Education, Manipal Education, New York; and Alan Jenkins, Vice-President Kaplan Europe.

Taking place between 9.30am and 5.30pm in the Beveridge Hall, Senate House, the conference will explore the changing environment of higher education, brought about by technological and socio-cultural factors.

The event, aimed at senior managers and policy makers in higher education, will be organised into a series of sessions.

If you are interested in attending please contact [Tim Gore](#) for further details.



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Motivational emails to aid progression

The International Programmes will be sending a series of motivational emails to students as part of a year-long research programme funded by the Centre for Distance Education (CDE).

Student progression is a real challenge in distance learning, so this project is an important experiment in how to improve the student experience.

The project, led by Ormond Simpson, a CDE Fellow, is aimed at supporting academic performance within the Undergraduate Laws Programme (ULP), with the eventual aim of increasing overall graduation rates across all study programmes.

The initiative will investigate the effect of regular motivational emails on retention rates in a group of ULP students throughout this academic year. Emails will cover topics such as motivation, study anxiety and procrastination.



Diary Dates

Monday 10 October

APPR meeting for the History and Classical Studies programmes.

Wednesday 12 October

APPR meeting for the International Primary Healthcare programme.

Friday 28 October

University of London International Academy Quality Assurance and Student Lifecycle Sub-Committee (QASL) meeting.

Tuesday 1 November

Board of the University of London International Academy (BUoLIA) meeting.

Thursday 17 November

Inclusive Practice Sub-Committee (IPSC) of the University of London International Academy meeting.

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Learning, Teaching and Assessment Sub-Committee (LTA) meeting.

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