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International Conference Civil Society, Mass Media and Government. Russian and European Experience

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Miuskaya Square, 2, Moscow*

The conference will address to the problems of the modern public life, which are high on the priority list for both Russia & Europe. Political processes, value orientation and public self-awareness are determined to a large degree by coherence between and cooperation of such public actors as NGOs, mass media and governmental bodies.

We will discuss these problems with scholars, politicians, experts, and journalists from Russia and countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

The conference includes three panel sessions:

1. Mass media as the major influence on public opinion in contemporary time: Russian and European experience:
 - a. Mass media - a mirror of real events and processes in society or a creator of an alternative image of the world?
 - b. Global/national transformations and problems in the media community: crisis of print media, expansion of electronic publications, financial aspects of mass media
2. Civil engagement as a driver of political processes:
 - a. Non-governmental non-profit organizations in European countries as a platform for dialogue
 - b. between society and government.
 - c. Independence of non-profit organizations: imaginary or real (or myth or reality)?
3. Executive and legislative power in a democratic society: social and civic priorities:
 - a. "The Fourth Estate" and structure of society governance (system of education, search for national and civic consensus, status of social and humanitarian themes in public sphere).
 - b. Crisis processes in modern society and responsibility of government institutions.