

**01.11.2018 DISCUSSION SESSION: Legal Mechanisms for Goods and Services' Export Competitiveness Development**

For the purpose of developing the foreign economic activities in the country and to occupy the appropriate niches in global markets, it is necessary to create a platform to increase the international competitiveness of goods/services produced/provided by the enterprises.

It is evident that state-supported measures for export-oriented enterprises and the aims of those enterprises to enter foreign markets cannot be the only sufficient conditions to create an effective export business model. In this respect, the key role should be played by the legal mechanisms regulating export activities. These include: the analysis of current domestic and international norms and practices; identification of imperfections in legal regulations, supervision and control; and making recommendations for simplification of relevant regulations in collaboration with federal/foreign universities in search of the best practices.

In relation to the above, special emphasis should be placed on the universities' and law schools' research and developments.

**Focus Areas**

- Russian currency legislation in comparison with the WTO rules and foreign approaches to currency regulation;
- Costs of tax regulation when refunding export VAT;
- Competitiveness of the Russian Federation civil law in comparison with the WTO rules and English law, the competitiveness of the ICAC at the RF CCI abroad;
- Uniformity of the legislative approach to the concepts of "export of goods", "export of IT services", "export of educational services and training", "export of patents and inventions";
- Simplification of by-laws and regulations governing certificates' issuance, licenses, permits and their listing in the registers;
- Cyber security;
- Anti-dumping and protective measures in the WTO;