

## SUMMARY

**Subject of the thesis:** Status and prospects of cooperation between the Russian Federation and the APEC integration grouping.

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**Relevance of the research** is determined by the importance to review various aspects of the Russian Federation interaction with the countries of APEC. The most important sphere of cooperation with Asian countries for Russia is the development of the Asia-Pacific energy partnership with the aim of diversifying its energy policy and providing a sustainable economic development of the Russian Far East region. Besides, energy diversification has become an important factor in ensuring overall regional security. The scale and dynamism of these processes define new challenges for the Russian foreign economic policy. Among the main tasks of Russian foreign policy is a close cooperation with APEC members, as well as the reorientation of trade and economic relations towards the Asian countries, in terms of anti-Russian sanctions.

**The object of study** are integration groupings.

**The subject of research** is the cooperation of Russia with the APEC integration grouping at the current stage and prospects of its further development.

**The purpose of the work** is to identify current status and development prospects of cooperation of Russia with the APEC integration grouping.

**Research objectives:**

- to analyze the conceptual approaches to the definition of integration;
- to identify the essential characteristics, specificities and different typologies of integration groupings;
- to consider the stages of formation and structural features of APEC;
- to determine the current status and prospects of cooperation between Russia and APEC

**The scientific novelty:** The strengthening of the interdependence of national economies at different levels (bilateral, subregional, regional and interregional) has become an imperative of contemporary international economic relations, proving that the economy of one country cannot be isolated in narrow national boundaries, but should actively participate in the international labour division based on its advantages.

**Structure.** The work consists of an introduction, two chapters, which include 4 paragraphs, conclusion, an 84-reference bibliography (35 of them are in foreign languages) and 2 applications. The total volume is 65 pages.

**Summary:** The Intergovernmental Forum of the Asia-Pacific economic cooperation (APEC), formed in 1989, is the third largest center of economic integration. Now it involves 21 countries and territory of the Asia-Pacific region

(APR). APEC Members are Australia, Brunei, Vietnam, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Canada, China, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Russia, Singapore. The share of the Asia-Pacific region economics accounts for 40% of world population, 57% of global GDP, 48% of international trade, more than 40% of all direct cross-border investment.

Russia is a member of the Forum of the Asia-Pacific economic cooperation (APEC) since 1998. The President of the Russian Federation regularly participates in the annual APEC summits. Since joining APEC Russia consistently increases its activity in its boundaries.

For the development of its participation in APEC Russia uses the geo-economic factors which create favorable conditions for Russia to integrate. Huge oil and gas resources of the Asia-Pacific part of Russia are of considerable interest for the economies of China, Japan, South Korea, etc. The energy strategy of the Russian Federation pays a special attention to the Far East region for the period up to the year 2030. A huge success for Russia in this sphere is to launch a pipeline system "Eastern Siberia-Pacific Ocean" that allows starting oil shipping in non-traditional East direction - to Japan, the Republic of Korea, China and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region.

The relationship prospects between Russia and APEC members are oriented to three main areas: economics, politics and culture. Besides, the formation of a new economic image of Russia as a reliable and promising partner, interested in the development of the region and equal relations with the countries of APEC is extremely important. The investments that are necessary for the development of the eastern territories of the Russian Federation can be implemented exactly under these circumstances. These investments are the base for the development and strengthening of cooperation between Russia and the countries of APEC.