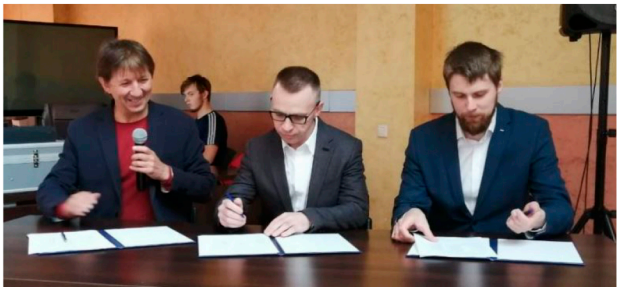


LEARNING AND STUDENTS

Pushing Educational Policy Ahead

The University is committed to sustainable development in every area of its work, including education policy. In this regard University has taken the Unesco Roadmap "Education for Sustainable Development" as a basis for progressive movement forward. The educational policy in the field of sustainable development is a part of the mission of the university to facilitate transformation of the region's economy towards the development of industries which ensure the sustainable and innovative development of Baikal lake area as well as to reduce negative effects and preserve this UNESCO World Natural Heritage site, lake Baikal. The key elements of this education policy at the moment are:

- Inclusion of standard modules on sustainable development in every educational program offered at the university;
- Implementation of specific educational programs with a focus on the achievement of certain SDG or a set of goals.



Global Partnership Enhances INRTU Graduates Professional Skills

In order to develop the education system and improve the quality of professional skills of graduates, INRTU cooperates with universities, as well as with international partners. One of them is the project of joint educational program with Shandong University on Sustainable Innovative Economy. The university implements English-language programs for students from many countries of the world such as Sustainable innovative economics; two new programs were opened at the university in 2020 – Journalism and communication technologies and MBA: Global Management and Leadership.

RESEARCH

Baikal Research and Education Center Implements Green Technologies

At the moment the Baikal Research and Education Center (REC) is the main research collaboration project focused on active development and implementation of green technologies. The Baikal REC Project Office as well as two laboratories is functioning at INRTU but the project itself is inter-regional and involves cooperation of educational and scientific organizations to achieve the goals of sustainable development. Finally, in the field of education, a number of joint projects are also implemented every year. One of them is a project of joint educational program with Shandong University Sustainable Innovative Economy.



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Consolidation for Better Environment

INRTU joined the All-Russian ecological project "360" initiated by En+ Group for the 10th time. About 20 employees, students and graduates as well as their relatives cleaned Kvadrat lake up and the banks of Kuzmikh river. Volunteers collected more than 30 bags of construction and household waste. 360 Minutes action is held by En+ Group with the support of EuroSibEnergо Group of Companies and Russian Geographic Society. INRTU students, employees and graduates (current employees of Irkutskenergo company) and originated the volunteer project nine years ago. In 2020, the citizens of Bratsk, Ust-Ilimsk, Divnogorsk, Miass and Nizhny Novgorod joined Irkutsk team to participate in the 360 action with the purpose of cleaning the plots in their localities up in the nearest future.

OPERATIONS

Partnership Boosts Cooperation

We prioritize global partnerships to advance our work towards the SDGs. This include: the agreement on cooperation with National Research Moscow State Construction University (NRU MSCU) to develop partnerships in education and science. For many years, cooperation between universities has been carried out at the level of departments, and the signing of the agreement will allow the universities to develop cooperation more effectively. Also, we signed a memorandum of cooperation between INRTU and Hainan University via videoconference. In a concerted effort Baikal School of BRICS and Hainan University aim at establishment of a joint Institute for Sustainable Development.