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Russia's role in the world today and tomorrow

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This conference will bring together a range of global actors and thinkers with interest and expertise on Russia from a political, economic, technological and cultural perspective to ask what is Russia's role in the world today and how will it perhaps develop in the future.

How has the changing international scene, including the rise of China, impacted on Russia's political and economic development and what further predictions can we make as these trends continue? How has this external environment combined with Russia's own internal dynamics? What will the continuing technological revolution mean for the future of Russia and its people? What kind of state has Russia become and how might it evolve in the future?

How can Russia, the West and the rest of the world best achieve stability and avoid unwelcome and destabilising surprises in the future? Beyond this, is it possible to improve the relationship in selective areas? What levers do we have, both Russia and West, to bring about positive change? What does Russia's trajectory mean for the future of the West and for the international order?