

## THE REVIEW OF ECONOMIC LEGISLATION IN OCTOBER 2015<sup>1</sup>

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*In November, the following amendments were introduced in the legislation: the rules were approved that exclusive titles to outputs of intellectual activities developed under a state contract before 1 January 2008 are vested in performers of that work provided that the customer did not implement those outputs until 1 January 2015; the period of privatization of land plots within the property complex included in the forecast plan of privatization of federal property from 1 January 2016 till 1 January 2021 was extended; funding of measures aimed at state support of leading universities to upgrade their competitive edge among the world's leading research and education centres was extended till 2020; from 1 January 2016, the selection criteria for receipt of educational grants of the Government of the Russian Federation by students and postgraduates majoring in lines which are of high priority to modernization and development of the Russian economy were updated.*

### **Resolutions of the Government of the Russian Federation<sup>1</sup>**

1. Resolution No.1174 of 31 October 2015 of the Government of the Russian Federation on AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF VESTING IN PERFORMERS AND OTHER PERSONS THE EXCLUSIVE TITLES TO OUTPUTS OF INTELLECTUAL ACTIVITIES DEVELOPED UNDER A STATE CONTRACT BEFORE 1 JANUARY 2008 AND OWNED BY THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION OR A CONSTITUENT ENTITY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION PROVIDED THAT THE STATE CUSTOMER DID NOT APPLY (INTRODUCE) THOSE OUTPUTS UNTIL 1 JANUARY 2015.

The above rules are applied to intellectual activities' (OIA) civil outputs the data on which do not constitute a state secret and which outputs were developed under a state contract prior to 1 January 2008 and owned by the Russian Federation or a constituent entity of the Russian Federation and no practical application of those intellectual outputs was carried out by the state customer before 1 January 2015.

It is established that for exclusive titles to OIA to be vested in performers or other persons the performer of the state contract is to send a written request to the state customer. In case of a need to have OIA registered, within 15 business days the state customer sends to the performer a notification of the fact that the latter has the rights to take measures to have OIA registered and receive a patent.

If no registration is required or it was made earlier, the customer enters within 30 business days into an agreement with the performer on voluntary alienation of the exclusive title.

2. Resolution No.1207 of 7 November 2015 of the Government of the Russian Federation on AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION No.234 OF 3 APRIL 2008 OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

According the amendments introduced, the period of privatization of land plots within the property complex included in the forecast plan of privati-

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zation of federal property was extended from 1 January 2016 till 1 January 2021.

3. Resolution No. 1176 of 31 October 2015 on AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION No.211 OF 16 MARCH 2013 OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

From 2013, the Government of the Russian Federation have rendered on a tender basis state support to Russia's leading universities in order to upgrade their competitive edge among the world's leading research and education centres.

For state support of the leading universities in the 2013-2017 period, the Resolution No.211 of 16 March 2013 of the Government of the Russian Federation provided for the following budget allocations: Rb 10.5bn in 2015, Rb 12.5bn in 2016 and Rb13.1m in 2017.

According to the above amendments, the period within which federal budget allocations are directed on funding of state support measures is extended till 2020. In the 2016-2020 period, state support funding is increased to Rb 14.5bn annually.

4. Resolution No.1192 of 3 November 2015 of the Government of the Russian Federation on GRANTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION FOR STUDENTS (CADETS, TRAINEES) AND POSTGRADUATES (ADJUNCTS) OF EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENTS CARRYING OUT FULL-TIME HIGHER EDUCATION TRAINING OF STUDENTS IN LINES OF PROFESSION OR TRAINING WHICH ARE OF PRIORITY IN MODERNIZATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE RUSSIAN ECONOMY.

The Government of the Russian Federation approved a new procedure for assigning grants to students and postgraduates majoring in the specified lines of profession; it is to be noted that such grants are assigned by educational establishments at least twice a year within quota limits in accordance with the established selection criteria.

It is to be noted that individual selection criteria are envisaged both for students and postgraduates of the first, second and subsequent years of training.

In particular, for first-year students it is required to receive on the basis of intermediate review at least 50% of "excellent" grades with no "satisfactory" grades and achievement within the past two years of the following results:

- Receipt of an award (prize) for carrying out R&D;
- Securing of a document certifying the exclusive title of the student or postgraduate to the research outputs (scientific-methods, research and technology and scientific creativity) of intellectual activities (a patent, certificate);
- Receiving of a grant for carrying out R&D;
- Recognition of the student or postgraduate as the winner (prize-winner) of an international, all-Russian, departmental or regional Olympiad or that carried out within the frameworks of a contest, competition or other arrangements aimed at identification of students' and postgraduates' academic progress. ●