

## Welcome Message to the participants of the 25th Anniversary International Exhibition Khimia 2022

Dear colleagues and friends,

Today we meet again at the most hospitable venue of EXPOCENTRE Fairgrounds at the Khimia 2022 International Exhibition, which is very dear to the Russian chemical industry. This year, exactly three anniversaries have come together at one point of attraction for the chemical business, science, and education. It is the 25th anniversary of the Russian Chemists Union and the 25th anniversary of the Khimia International Exhibition as well as the 10th edition of the Moscow International Chemical Forum. This fact certainly creates high spirits. The Russian chemical industry can and does solve today's most complex problems, and most importantly, it creates very high quality synergies in all industries without exception. Achievements of chemists in production of new materials and development of new technologies today are real competitive advantages of finished products of domestic production sector of economy and they should be used to the maximum extent possible both in development of domestic consumption market and in gaining confident positions in exports.

Today, both government and business are increasingly trying to solve emerging problems through the quality development of public-private partnerships. In my opinion, this is a good trend. Something has been done, but much remains to be done. The management of the chemical industry is seriously complicated by the fragmentation

of ministries, the lack of flexible economic mechanisms and the lack of incentives to involve private business in solving state tasks of the current and prospective vector of development. We plan not only to address these and many other problems at the Moscow International Chemical Forum, but also to try to find solutions for them. As practice shows, despite all the difficulties the Russian chemical industry is stable and sustainable. It still remains an area of innovation and development, and our exhibition and chemical forum carry a lot of quality proposals for the development of the Russian chemical industry and constructive dialogue between business and government. Let me wish all the participants a fruitful work, successful networking and signed contracts!

Best regards, Victor Ivanov President Russian Chemists Union