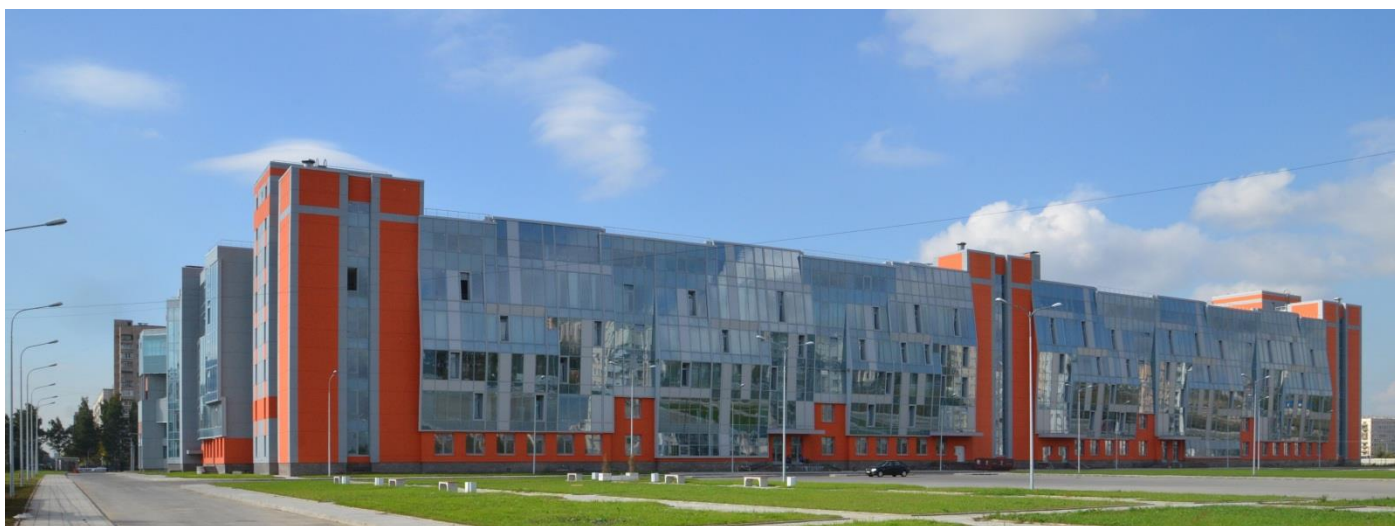


**ITU Regional Conference on
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as basic infrastructure for Digital Economy”,
meetings of the ITU-T Study Group 11 and Study Group 20 Regional Groups for
Eastern Europe, Central Asia and Transcaucasia
Saint Petersburg, Russia, 4-6 June 2018**

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

1. VENUE FOR THE EVENTS

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2. REGISTRATION

Online registration for the events:

- Online registration for SG11RG-EECAT and SG20RG-EECAT is available at: <http://itu.int/reg/tmisc/3001058>.
Note: The SG11RG-EECAT and SG20RG-EECAT meetings will be restricted to delegates and representatives from Member States, Sector Members and Associates of ITU-T Study Group 11 and ITU-T Study Group 20 in the region respectively, in conformity with clause 2.3.3 of WTS Resolution 1 (Rev. Hammamet, 2016).
- Online registration for ITU Regional Conference is available at: <http://itu.int/reg/tmisc/3001059>.

On-site registration will take place daily, starting Monday 4 June 2018 from 0800 to 1030 hours, at the event venue. Events will take place daily from 0930 to 1300 hours and 1430 to 1730 hours.

3. WORKING LANGUAGES

The Regional Conference will be held in Russian and English, with simultaneous interpretation. The meetings of the regional groups will be held in Russian, without simultaneous interpretation.

4. HOTEL RESERVATIONS

We recommend using the online booking system booking.com.

Suggested options include the following (prices are for a 24-hour period):

Hotel Ambassador ****

Address: St Petersburg, pr. Rimsky-Korsakov, d. 5-7

| Category of room | Single, RUB/USD | Double, RUB /USD |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Standard | 10500 / 188 | 11000 / 197 |
| Superior | 12000/215 | 13500/241 |
| De luxe | 30500/ 545 | 33000 / 590 |

Breakfast is included in the price.

Oktyabrskaya Hotel****

St Petersburg, Ligovsky pr., d. 10/118

| Category of room | Single, RUB/USD | Double, RUB /USD |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Single | 8650 /155 | - |
| Semi-de luxe | 10870 / 195 | 11420/ 204 |
| De luxe | 14350/ 257 | 14900 / 266 |
| Apartments | 17950/321 | 18500/331 |

Breakfast is included in the price.

Moscow Hotel****

St Petersburg, ploshchad Aleksandr Nevsky, d. 2

| Category of room | Single, RUB/USD | Double, RUB /USD |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Comfort | 9435/169 | 9690/173 |
| De luxe | 11900/ 213 | 11900/ 213 |
| De luxe + | 15300/ 274 | 15300 / 274 |

Breakfast is included in the price.

Sphera Hotel, Nevsky 163 **

St Petersburg, Nevsky pr., d. 163

| Category of room | Single, RUB/USD | Double, RUB /USD |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Standard | 13 500/241 | 14 500/259 |
| Superior | 14 850/ 266 | 15 700/ 281 |
| De luxe | 16 200/ 290 | 17 100 / 306 |

Breakfast is included in the price.

Atrium Hotel***

St Petersburg, Nevsky pr., d.170 (entrance from Ispolkomskaya street, d. 2)

| Category of room | Single, RUB/USD | Double, RUB /USD |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Standard | 5 600/ 100 | 5 850/ 105 |
| Superior | 6 000/107 | 6 300/113 |

Breakfast is not included in the price.

General booking conditions:

Check-in time: from 1400 hours; check out by 1200 hours.

A supplement is payable for late departure (if the room is available): from 1200 to 1800 hours the supplement is 40 per cent of the room price, from 1200 to midnight 50 per cent, and after midnight 100 per cent.

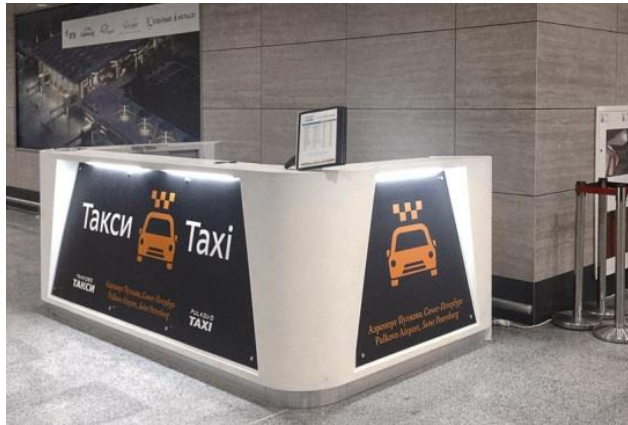
Early check in is also subject to a supplement of 30 per cent of the room price, subject to availability.

This information is valid as at 30 January 2018

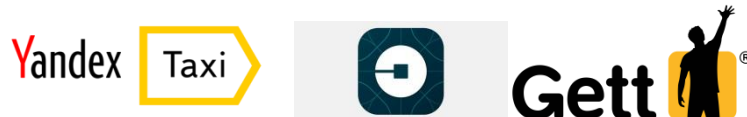
5. TRANSPORT

To get from Pulkovo airport to the city centre (where all the recommended hotels are situated), the following forms of transport are available:

- 1) Official taxi from Pulkovo airport. Information on services and fares can be obtained from the airport website:
- in Russian: <https://www.pulkovoairport.ru/transport/taxi/>;
 - in English: <https://www.pulkovoairport.ru/en/transport/taxi/>.



- 2) International taxi calling services. The following applications are supported in Russia: GetTaxi, Yandex.Taxi, and Uber.



- 3) Municipal transport.

- from the airport to the nearest metro station (fast underground train): buses 39, 39E, shuttle taxi K39. Single fare 40 roubles.
- further on the Metro: single fare 45 roubles. A schematic plan of the underground system is available at the following sites:
 - in Russian – <http://www.metro.spb.ru/interactive.html>;
 - in English – <http://www.metro.spb.ru/en/interactive.html>.



Distances of recommended hotels from metro stations:

- **Hotel Ambassador:** From Sennaya ploshchad station, ten minutes' walk along Sadovaya street to Rimsky-Korsakov prospekt.
- **Hotel Oktyabrskaya:** from Ploshchad Vosstaniya station, cross the road and proceed via Ligovsky prospekt.
- **Hotel Moscow:** from Ploshchad Aleksandr Nevsky-1 station, five minutes' walk.
- **Sphera Hotel Nevsky 163,** from Ploshchad Aleksandr Nevsky, five minutes' walk.
- **Atrium Hotel.** From Ploshchad Aleksandr Nevsky-1 ten minutes' walk along Nevsky prospekt.

For travelling around the city taxis are also available. Fares range from around 400 to 800 roubles.

Applications: GetTaxi, Yandex.Taxi, Uber.

Municipal taxi numbers: (+7 812) followed by one of the following: 777; 333-00-00; 600-00-00; 600-88-88; 400-00-04; 318-03-18.

6. CONTACTS

For all questions regarding the conference and regional groups, please contact:

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7. CURRENCY/CURRENCY EXCHANGE/CREDIT CARDS

The national currency of the Russian Federation is the rouble (RUB). All payments must be made in the national currency.

Foreign currency and roubles can be exchanged at currency exchange desks in hotels and banks and at currency exchange bureaus.

As of 6 February 2018 the following exchange rates were applied: (Russian Federation Central Bank: <http://www.cbr.ru/>): 1 USD = 56.62 RUB; 1 EUR = 70.49 RUB.

8. BANKS

Banks operate from 0900 to 1900 hours Monday to Saturday. Currency can be exchanged at all banks.

9. CLIMATE

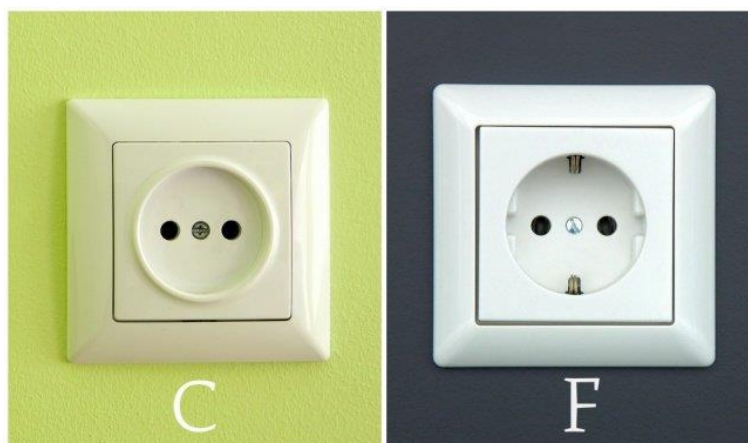
St Petersburg's climate is moderate and humid, between continental and maritime. The region is characterized by a frequent exchanges of air masses largely as a result of cyclonic activity. In the summer, westerly and north-westerly winds predominate. Average day temperatures in June are 20–23 °C, at night 8-17°C.

10. TIME ZONE

Local time is GMT+03:00.

11. MAINS VOLTAGE

Mains voltage is 220V/50 Hz. Plugs are standard European two-pin plugs.



12. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Participants will have Internet access at the event venue.

For international calls to St Petersburg, use the code +7 812 (+7 is the international code for Russia and 812 is the city code for St Petersburg).

To make international calls from St Petersburg, dial 8 10 + country code + city code + addressee's number.

The mobile network supports 3G, 4G and LTE including mobile Internet.

13. ENTRY VISAS

Participants who require an **entry visa** to enter Russia should make the necessary inquiries at a Russian consulate in their country in good time. A visa to enter Russia is not required for CIS citizens (Azerbaijani Republic, Republic of Armenia, Republic of Belarus, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Moldova, Republic of Tajikistan, Ukraine and Republic of Uzbekistan) provided that their stay in the country does not exceed 90 days in a six-month period.

In order to obtain visa assistance, a completed visa support questionnaire form (see Annex) must be submitted, with a copy of the applicant's passport, to the ITU Area Office for the CIS, e-mail vera.soloveva@itu.int, by **1 May 2018**.

PLEASE NOTE: owing to the football World Cup being held from **25 May to 25 July 2018**, the registration procedure for foreign visitors is changing in a number of cities including St Petersburg (**Presidential Decree No. 202 of 9 May 2017**).

- Registration of foreign visitors to St Petersburg at their place of temporary residence is required **within 24 hours** of their arrival (not including weekends and public holidays).
- We recommend staying at St Petersburg hotels during the ITU conference, as registration in hotels takes place when the guest checks in. It is preferable if possible to avoid staying in private apartments, as in such cases registration of the guest is the responsibility of the host.
- **You are advised not to leave it to the last minute to find accommodation, given the expected influx of fans and tourists during the World Cup 2018 in St Petersburg.**

In order to attend FIFA World Cup matches in 2018, you will need a "Fan ID" (a personalized spectator card). The "Fan ID" will be issued in accordance with the established procedure for issuing such cards, at designated centres, and will also be distributed through agents of FIFA customer groups. To obtain a "Fan ID", you need to complete the form at <https://www.fan-id.ru/index.html> or apply to the Fan ID Distribution Centre at Litejny prospekt 26 ("Preobrazhensky dvor" business centre).

Host city official site: <http://spb2018.com/ru/>

Official fans' site: <http://welcome2018.com/>

14. GENERAL INFORMATION

St Petersburg (from 1914 to 1924 — Petrograd; from 1924 to 1991 — Leningrad) is a city of federal status in the Russian Federation, the administrative centre of the North-West Federal District, and the seat of Russian and Leningrad Region administrative authorities. From the eighteenth to the twenty-first century, it was the capital of the Russian Empire. It bears the title "Hero City".

With a population of 5 279 299, St Petersburg is the most northerly city in the world with a population of more than 1 million.

It is an important economic, academic and cultural centre in Russia and a major transport hub. The historical centre of St Petersburg and its associated monuments is a UNESCO World Heritage site, and one of the country's most important tourist centres. St Petersburg's climate is not one of extremes, between moderate continental and moderate maritime.

Further information on the city can be found at <http://st-petersburg.ru>.

15. GENERAL TOURIST INFORMATION

Official St Petersburg tourist information site: <http://www.visit-petersburg.ru/ru/>

Information is available from this site on:

- Major attractions (bridges, parks, monuments, churches and cathedrals, places of interest, squares, streets);
- Promenades for tourists (on foot, accessible for disabled people, by bicycle, by car);
- Leisure (theatres, exhibitions, nightclubs, cinemas);
- Day trips from St Petersburg;
- Events calendar;
- Audio guides (pedestrian);
- Accommodation (hotels and mini-hotels);

- Gastronomy (cafés, restaurants, sports bars);
- Shopping (shopping centres, souvenirs);
- Events (concerts, shows, exhibitions, opera and ballet, sport);
- Transport (railway stations, airports, bus stations, ports, car and bicycle hire).

The site also has useful information on the following:

- Tourist checklists;
- Tourist centres
- Frequently asked questions;
- Consulates;
- Guest card;
- City tour pass;
- Ideas for walks.

MAIN ATTRACTIONS OF ST PETERSBURG

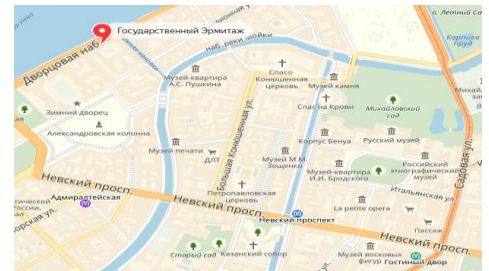
1 *State Hermitage*

Russia's biggest museum, and one which, along with Spain's Prado, the Louvre in Paris and the Vatican Museums, is among the world's greatest and most priceless collections of art. The Hermitage collections occupy six buildings and contain around 3 million exhibits. The pride of the museum is the Winter Palace building, once the residence of the imperial family. This magnificent complex was built by Bartolomeo Rastrelli in the "Elizabethan baroque" style.



Address: St Petersburg, Dvortsovaya ploshchad 6-8

Metro: Admiralty, Nevsky prospekt, Gostiny dvor

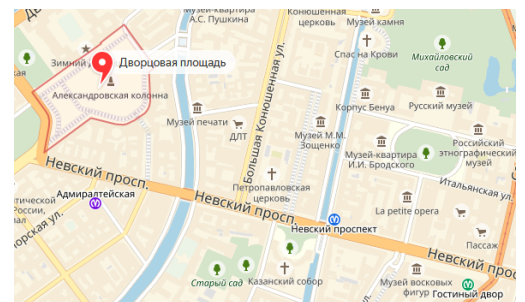


2 *Palace Square*

The main square in St Petersburg, in front of the Winter Palace, and almost twice as big as Moscow's Red Square. The architectural ensemble, with its ideal geometric proportions, grew up in the 18th and 19th centuries. In the middle of the square stands the towering Alexander Column dedicated to the Russian Empire's victory over Napoleon's army. The column was erected on the orders of Nicolas I.



Metro: Admiralty, Nevsky prospekt, Gostiny dvor



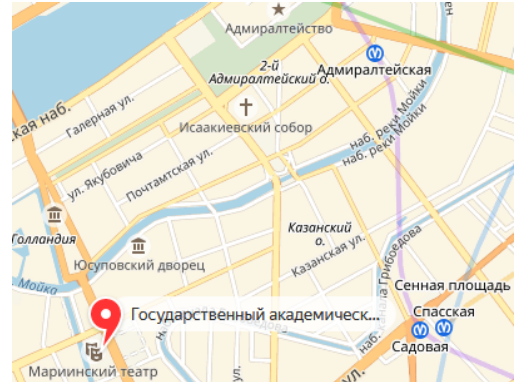
3 *Marinsky Theatre*

St Petersburg's main opera stage and one of the city's iconic cultural venues, the theatre was built in the mid-nineteenth century at the behest of Alexander II, who wanted to name it after his wife Maria Alexandrovna. The master craftsman Alberto Cavosa worked on the project. Productions at the Marinsky are very popular with foreign tourists and many come eagerly to hear real Russian opera.



Address: St Petersburg, Teatralnaya ploshchad, 1

Metro: Sadovaya/Spasskaya/Sennaya ploshchad, Admiralty



4 *Kunstkamera*

A museum created by Peter I, housing specimens of various mutations, defects, genetic abnormalities, pathologies and artificial deformities, collected over a period of 300 years. In the collection's early years, it was home to real dwarves, giants and other people with "abnormalities". The collection has always aroused great interest throughout its 300 year history, and currently contains more than 1 million exhibits.



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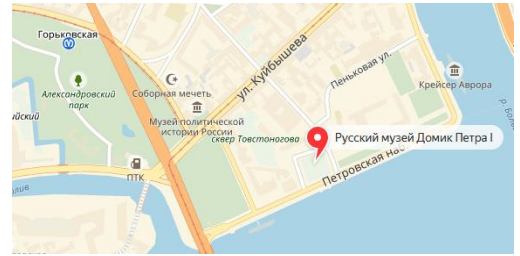
5 *The cabin of Peter I*

The first dwelling in St Petersburg, dating from the beginning of the eighteenth century, this little house was the home of the Tsar while the city was being built. The wooden structure has now been moved and covered with a stone facing in order to preserve it (the first such facing dated from the end of the eighteenth century). According to legend, the house was erected in just three days by craftsmen. Since 1930, a museum has been open on the site, displaying the Tsar's personal effects.



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Metro: Gorkovskaya



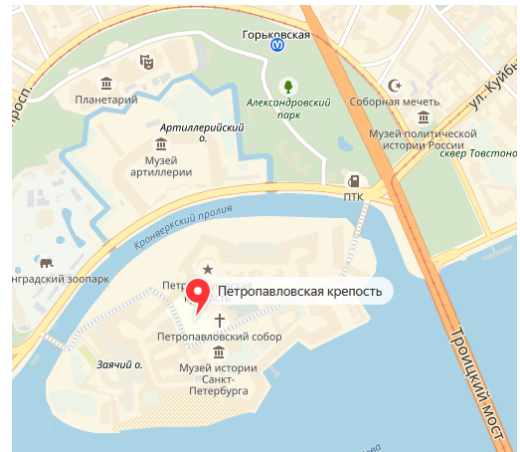
Fortress of St Peter and St Paul

- 6 A defensive structure and at the beginning of the eighteenth century the historical centre of St Petersburg where the construction of the city began. The fort was never used for its original purpose but served instead as a prison. The complex comprises fortified walls, bastions, ceremonial gateways and administration buildings. The Cathedral of St Peter and St Paul within the precincts of the fortress was for a long time the principal church in the capital. It was built in the classical “Russian baroque” style.



Address: St Petersburg, Zayachy Island

Metro: Gorkovskaya



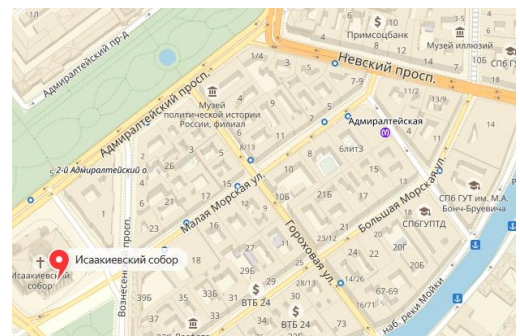
St Isaac’s Cathedral

- 7 A majestic cathedral, the jewel of the city and the largest Orthodox church in St Petersburg. Building work took place under the personal supervision of Nicolas I, based on a design by A. de Montferrand. The building is an example of late classicism with harmonious neo-renaissance and byzantine ornaments. The church was named after the Saint Isaac of Dalmatia, the patron saint of Peter the Great.



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Metro: Admiralty



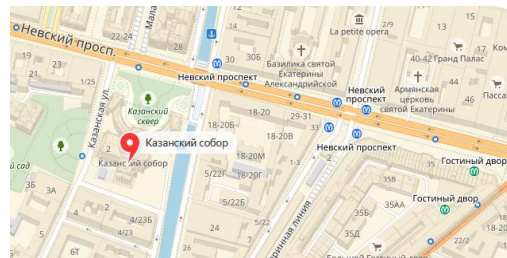
Kazan Cathedral

- 8 The main Orthodox church of St Petersburg, housing the icon of Our Lady of Kazan. The cathedral was built from a design by the architect A. Voronikhin in the Russian Empire style; the first stone was laid in the presence of Alexander I. The interior is laid out in monumental colonnades and is more reminiscent of a palace than a church. Icons for the church were painted by well-known artists including O. Kiprensky and A. Ivanov.



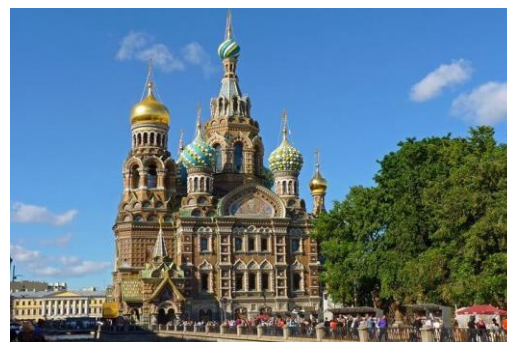
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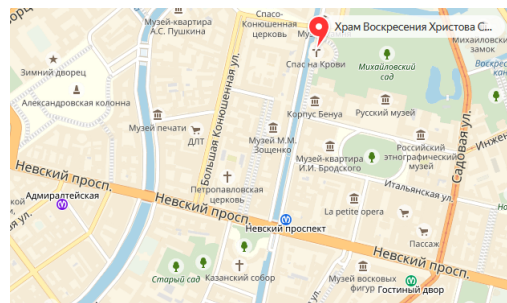
Church of our Saviour on the Spilt Blood

- 9 Built by Alexander III on the site of the assassination of the reforming Tsar Alexander II, the church is 81 metres in height, corresponding to the year of this tragic event (1881). The church was finished in 1907. It was not a place of regular worship but used exclusively for services in remembrance of Alexander II. During the Soviet period, it was used as a mortuary and warehouse. Following renovation work in 1997, a museum was opened.



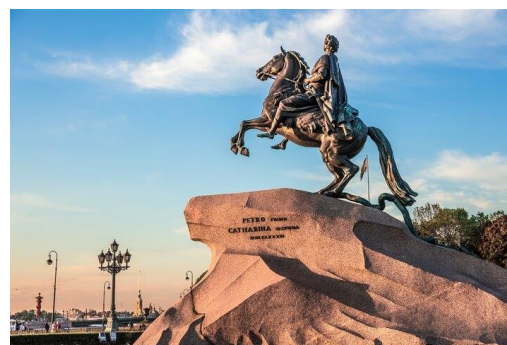
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Metro: Nevsky prospekt



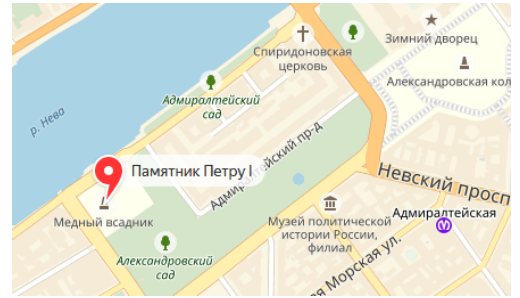
The Bronze Horseman

- 10 A monument commemorating the city's founder, Peter the Great, situated on Senate Square. The Bronze Horseman was commissioned by Empress Catherine II, who had intended to immortalize an image of Peter as a majestic figure dressed as a Roman emperor and bearing a sceptre, but the sculptor Falcone had a different idea: he portrayed Peter as a founder and benefactor of Russia, and the resulting monument depicts the Sovereign extending a protective right hand over his country.



Address: St Petersburg, Senatskaya ploshchad

Metro: Admiralty



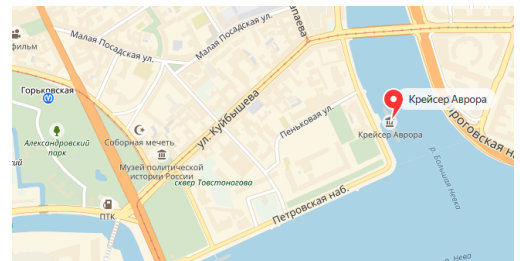
Cruiser Aurora

- 11 A naval ship dating from 1900 that took part in the Battle of Tsushima in the Pacific. After returning to the Baltic, it was used as a training ship. In October 1917, a shot fired from the main gun of the cruiser was the signal to storm the Winter Palace and marked the beginning of the Bolshevik coup (the October 1917 Revolution). Until 1940, the ship was still used for training, and from 1948 onwards it was assigned to permanent anchorage as a museum ship.



Address: St Petersburg, Petrogradskaya Embankment

Metro: Gorkovskaya



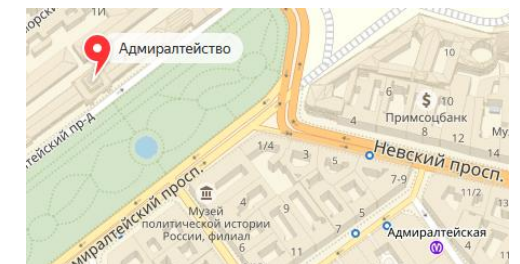
Main Admiralty Building

- 12 This site, on the banks of the Neva, was the site of the first shipyard on the Baltic Sea. The building is in the Russian Empire style. The ship at the top of the Admiralty spire is one of the symbols of the Northern Capital. In the time of Peter the Great, there was a genuine fortress on this spot to protect the shipyard during the Great Northern War. Since 2012 the Admiralty has housed the high command of the Russian Navy.



Address: St Petersburg, Admiralty prospekt, 1

Metro: Admiralty



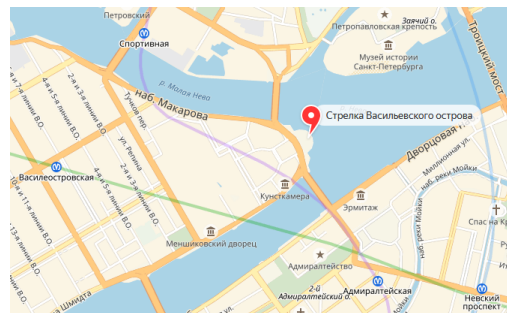
Spit of Vasilevsky Island

- 13 The place where Vasilevsky Island juts out into the water and divides the Neva into two. Here are to be found a multitude of buildings of different periods and styles, making the area a real open-air museum. Of particular note are the red-brown “Rostral Columns” decorated with ships’ figureheads. They were used as beacons until the nineteenth century.



Address: St Petersburg, Birzhevaya ploshchad

Metro: Admiralty



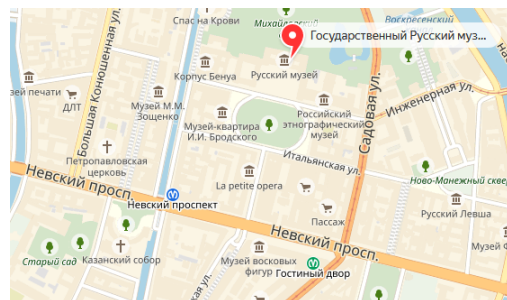
State Russian Museum

14 The world’s largest museum of Russian fine art, this museum was opened at the end of the nineteenth century during the reign of Nicolas II. The collection was based on exhibits transferred from the Hermitage, Alexander Palace, the Academy of Arts, and the private collections of a number of Russian noblemen. The main exhibition is housed in the precincts of the Mikhailovsky Palace and includes paintings by Bryullov, Repin, Aivazovsky and other masters.



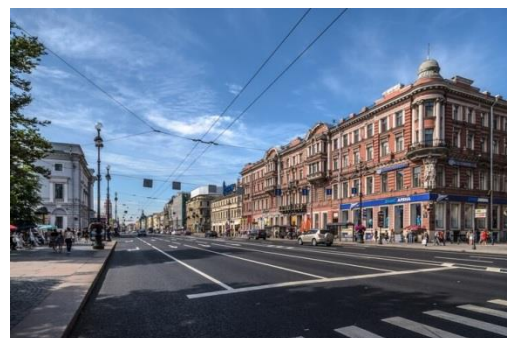
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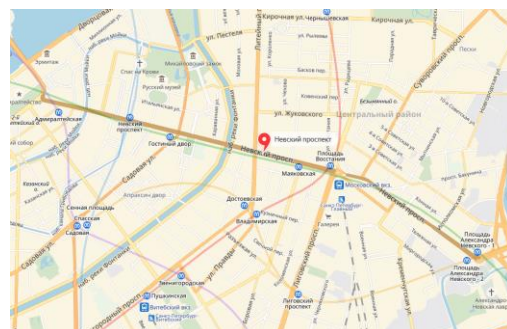


Nevsky prospekt

15 The most famous and picturesque thoroughfare in the northern capital, this is the city’s great main street, and extends 4.5 km as far as the Alexander Nevsky Monastery. It was designed as the main road of entry into the city from Moscow. Along its length you will find a multitude of architectural landmarks. Nevsky prospekt is a popular place with a special ambience that makes it ideal for walks, rendezvous and shopping. It is here that the very “spirit of St Petersburg” is to be found.



Metro: Admiralty, Nevsky prospekt, Gostiny dvor, Mayakovsky, Ploshchad Vosstaniya, Ploshchad Alexandra Nevskogo.





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