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The Far-Eastern school of economic research: formation, development, prospects (to the 50th anniversary of the ERI FEB RAS)

Formation in the Far East of the USSR in the 1970th of a large new center of the National Academy of Sciences created the preconditions for activating the processes of intellectual support and scientific support for the development of this territory. Of great importance for solving the applied regional problems was organization of a specialized Institute of Economic Research, which adopted as a program of activities, on the one hand, preparation of theoretical and methodological tools for the analysis and forecasting of spatial processes, and, on the other hand, the use of academic developments for solving national economic problems. For 50 years, practically in all strategic projects of regional development, ERI FEB RAS was one of the active participants. At the same time, it became an authoritative participant in international research carried out by scientific and expert organizations in the North-Eastern Asia countries and the Asia Pacific. Reputation of the established scientific school of spatial studies as one of the leading in the country has determined the Institute's key role in consolidating the scientific potential of the Far East and in increasing its effectiveness. At the same time, ERI FEB RAS has taken a leading position in training the highly qualified specialists for the region who works in academic, industrial and university science, state and municipal authorities, and large business structures. Recognition of the task of developing the Far East as a national priority of Russia for the long term gives a new impetus to the development of research in the region, expanding the possibilities for implementing the ideas of scientific school that has developed in the ERI FEB RAS, and improving the processes of modeling, forecasting and strategic management of the economy.

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