The Far East of Russia and the North-Eastern Asia: interaction configurations

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Abstract. The development of the Russian Far East region in the last decade was closely connected with the implementation of the program of Russia's integration into the Asia-Pacific region, the economic «advance to the East». In 2013–2021, a significant number of government, industry and regional programs were devoted to the implementation of these tasks. In the first quarter of 2022, this process was strongly corrected by a sharp change in international political relations, the division of countries - Russia's economic partners into groups that adhere to varying degrees of confrontational positions towards it. As a result, the participation of the Russian Federation in global economic interaction, and, accordingly, the processes of development of the national economy related to this, began to experience numerous additional risks and restrictions generated by the active sanctions creativity of the countries that received the classification "unfriendly". This fundamentally complicated the potential opportunities for Russia's cross-border interactions; the ongoing changes in the external contour of the national economy have transformed the role and place of Russia in the international division of labor, and, accordingly, required the formation of a new foreign economic policy both for the current situation and for the medium and long term. Part of this process is the reformatting of international relations in Northeast Asia. On the one hand, it requires prompt changes in the organization of cross-border commodity and financial flows, their accelerated adaptation to new conditions. On the other hand, given the predicted long-term effect of the imposed (and, obviously, expected in the future) restrictions on Russia's international cooperation, a systemic restructuring of the economy of the Far East region is necessary. It will require a reassessment of a number of strategic positions in regional development, as well as the implementation of targeted production, social, infrastructural and institutional reforms.

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