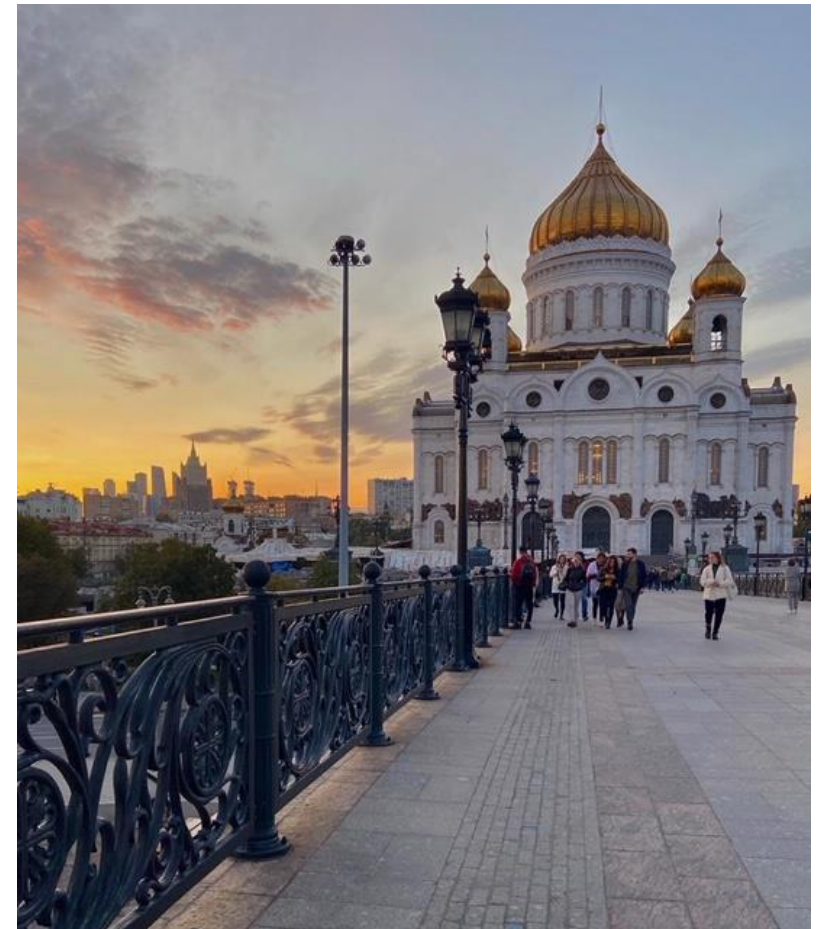


# Russia and Higher Education 2020

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# Covid-19 at the Russian Higher Education Sector



- Confirmed Covid-19 cases approx. 25 000 / day
- Primary school students continue in contact teaching
- HEI are on distance learning until 6th of February
  - Situation at the dormitorios is serious in some regions
- All universities will follow strict guidelines, which include emplacing a mask regime, measuring temperatures twice a week, and disinfecting all areas.
- *Vaccination diplomacy*
  - Two registered Covid-19 vaccine: Sputnik V & EpiVacCorona

# Mobility

2019 report of the IOM:

Russia is among the top five countries in both immigration and emigration



# Mobility - OUTGOING

- 12 million emigrants / year
- Levada research institute: 53% of Russian young people aged 18-24 are dreaming of moving abroad.
- Interest in studying abroad will increase
- 75 000 Russian students abroad
- 13 % more Russian students in Finland this year
- *Coronaranking*

# Mobility - INCOMING

- 10,5 million immigrant / year
- Educational diplomacy—one of the soft power tools of the Kremlin
  - Not only with countries with historical relationship with Russia
  - A foreign national graduating from a Russian university can obtain Russian citizenship under a simplified procedure
- Excellency project 5-100
- During the pandemic steps have been taken to allow international students to continue their education, both online and eventually in person.
- In August, a law allowing foreign students to work while pursuing their degree without needing a work permit came into effect.

# Team Finland Knowledge in Russia

- Russian language webpages project
- EU delegation and Tomsk Round Table
- Study in Europe fair next spring

