

Russian, U.S. Youth 'Summit'

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Students and young professionals from Russia and the United States, all born after the end of the Cold War, convene this week in Seattle for a "youth summit" aimed at strengthening bonds between young citizens of the two former superpower adversaries, organizers said.

The 100 participants in the inaugural three-day event — 50 Russians and 50 Americans — "will establish mutual understanding ... through open dialogue regarding stereotypes and the history of Russian-American relations," the official website of the Russian-American Youth Summit stated.

Partners in organizing the event include the University of Washington, the Russian Embassy in the United States and the Center for American–Russian Engagement of Emerging Leaders. The working groups will focus on entrepreneurship, information technology, media, student leadership, sustainable development, and scientific research.

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