

# In Photos: Russia Flaunts Mascots, Cars and Patriotism at Its Premier Economic Forum

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The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF), Russia's flagship investment conference, is a fixture on the calendar of the country's political and business elite. In recent years, SPIEF has also become a platform for showcasing Russian industry and technology, with elaborate displays and events aimed at projecting confidence despite Western sanctions and diplomatic isolation over the invasion of Ukraine. Here's a look at what went on at this year's expo:



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