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Exploring the future of Russia's economy and markets: Towards sustainable economic development

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In November 2018, Emerald Publishing launched a new publication entitled *Exploring the Future of Russia's Economy and Markets: Towards Sustainable Economic Development*, edited by the renowned Italian economist Bruno S. Sergi, Professor at Harvard University and at the University of Messina, Italy.

The book arose from a special seminar on 'New Reality' and Russian Markets which was organised in 2017 at the Harvard Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies in collaboration with RUDN University in Moscow. It comprises thirteen separate parts written by distinguished academics from leading universities and research institutions. Each chapter, in its own unique way, presents an analysis of Russia's contemporary economic development and outlines the potential of, and the preconditions for, the sustainable development of its economy and markets in the context of financial, banking and technological innovation.

The book provides the reader with theoretical and econometric analysis of previous and future trends, as well as of the dynamics and potential of the Russian economy. Separate analyses of the factors which have an impact on sustainable development are presented in individual chapters and encompass major issues such as financial technology, commercial banking, the stock market, industry 4.0, industrial development, structural changes, clusters and innovation networks, the circular economy, technological parks, the green economy and oil and gas production.

The role of transnational corporations, the effects of international sanctions on the sustainable development of Russia, the position of Russia within global value chains and scenarios for the economic growth of Russia are issues which will also attract the reader's attention.

Exploring the Future of Russia's Economy and Markets: Towards Sustainable Economic Development is a complex publication on the current economic growth and the economic potential of Russia. It is well worth reading because it offers valuable insights which will encourage further economic and political analysis. It also presents new ideas to readers interested in the Russian economic experiment and wishing to learn more about Russia's political direction.

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