

To 95th Anniversary of National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

November 2013 is the 95th birthday anniversary of National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. It is not only outstanding date in the history of domestic science but also the event of all-Ukrainian value. November 27, 1918, when the First General meeting of Ukrainian Academy of Sciences was held, is considered the official date of Academy foundation. It was the important step in setting advanced approaches to science organization, Ukrainian science full power entering European and World scientific space.

Declaration of Ukrainian state independence in August 1991 became the start of a new modern stage in Academy activity. It left the system of Union Academy and began working for sovereign Ukraine. This year changed the name of Academy — from “Academy of Sciences of USSR” into “Academy of Sciences of Ukraine”. Later Academy was given the status of National Institution.

In the modern world science is becoming the main driving force as the foundation in development and implementation of high technologies. Global challenges of the XXI-th century and the latest changes in social-political life of Ukraine urgently set the problem of our state going to the roads of dynamical innovation development that would open possibilities of adequate integration into European and World economic, scientific and technical structures, transition to development of economics of new knowledge where domestic intellectual and scientific and technical potential will turn into a real defining factor of economic and social growth.

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In September 23, 1993 Kiev Institute of Theoretical Physics of Academy of Sciences of Ukraine held a constitutional convention of authorized representatives of National Academies of Sciences from 15 states of Europe and Asia which made the decision on setting up International Association of Academies of Sciences (IAAS).

This year is the 20th anniversary of IAAS — International nongovernmental organization which integrates National Academies of Sciences of Commonwealth of Independent States. The President of NAS of Ukraine, Academician B.E. Paton has been the President of IAAS since the moment of its foundation.

Each Academy of Sciences which is the member of Association is completely independent in all aspects of its activity. Decisions made by Association are exclusively of recommendation character for Academies of Sciences — its members.