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In March, 2010 the Congress of School Librarians took place the Boris Yeltsin Presidential Library, the most modern library Russia.

The carrying out of the Congress in such a prestigious and teresting place became a real pleasure for its 300 participants – hool librarians and specialists in reading. The atmosphere of the vent was solemn and chamber at the same time, therefore abling all the participants to discuss professional issues. terrelationship between professionals is the main value of our ongress.

The Congress has fully confirmed the affirmation that the

Information Portal of school libraries of Russia

The Information Portal of the Russian Association of School Libraries was launched in 2008 at http://www.rusla.ru.

The Portal contains important documents of the state bodies in the field of education development and library business in the country, as well as legal acts regulating library work in Russia.

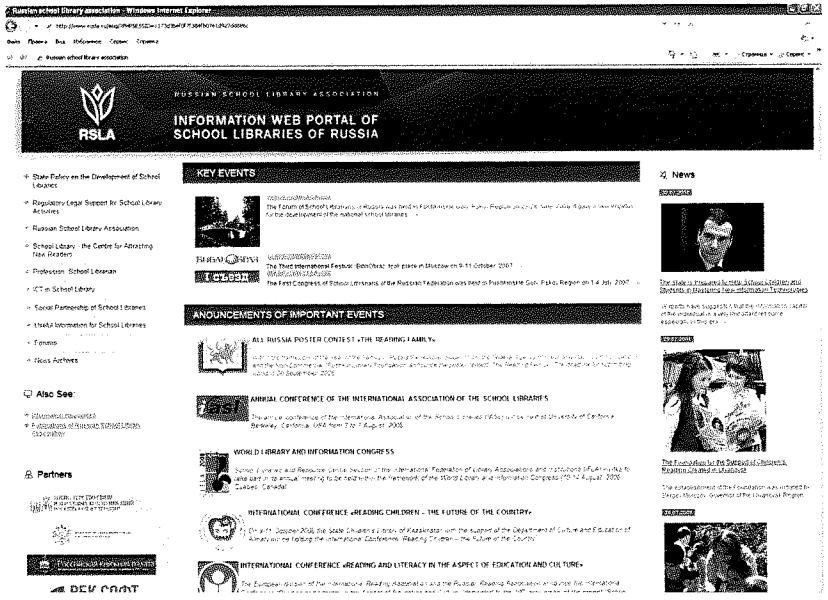
Specialists would be interested to visit such sections as "School Library — the Center for Attracting New Readers", "Profession: School Librarian", and "Leaders in the Profession".

The Portal gives an opportunity to familiarize oneself with the history of family reading and school librarianship in Russia.

The newsreel is updated on a daily basis and includes the most significant events from an impressive pool of information that the Russian Association of School Libraries receives from all the corners of the country, as well as from other countries.

Another section which is very popular with the users of the portal, is the Announcements of coming important events in the sphere of school education and librarianship.

Although the target audience of the Portal is professionals, general public and a broad range of Internet users can find a lot of relevant materials, such as abstracts of the new books for children and youth, interviews with famous writers, recommendations for parents, games for spare time, etc.

In the near future an electronic catalogue of resources on various aspects of school library work and electronic document delivery will be added to the portal.

Future plans include opening of the "Virtual Information Center", which will provide school librarians with competent consultation from leading library scientists and successful practitioners.