36th International Ex-libris Congress (FISAE) in Vologda (August, 2016) (preliminary program)

**August 22 (Monday):**
- arrival of the participants of the Congress
- registration and getting the materials of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris – all day long

Visits to the central exhibition hall of the Vologda Art Gallery, the Lace Museum, the Old Russian Art Department of the Vologda Museum of Local Lore, the Folk Art Department of the center “Reznoy Palisad” (“Carved Fence”)

**August 23 (Tuesday):**
- registration and getting the materials of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris
- Tour around Vologda (till 15:00). Meeting with the Mayor of Vologda.
16:00 – Grand Opening of the Congress and its exhibitions at the central exhibition hall of the Vologda Art Gallery.

**August 24 (Wednesday):**
- visiting the exhibitions of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris

The folk festival at the center “Vologodskaya Sloboda” (“Vologda Village”)

**August 25 (Thursday):**
- visiting the exhibitions of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris

Trip (by bus) to Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery (Kirillov) – all day long

**August 26 (Friday):**
- visiting the exhibitions of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris

The village festival at the Architectural and Ethnological Museum in Semenkovo (near Vologda) – till 14:00.
16:00 – the official meeting of the Congress
19:00 – Gala Dinner

**August 27 (Saturday):**
- final visiting the exhibitions of the Congress
- exchange of ex-libris
- departure of the participants of the Congress

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**About Vologda**

Ex-libris Congress (FISAE) will be held in the exhibition halls of the Vologda Art Gallery. Our National Society of Ex-libris and Graphic Arts Amateurs together with the staff of the Vologda Art Gallery has great experience concerning the organization of such events: we have already hosted four All-Russian Ex-libris Congresses.

Founded in 1147, Vologda is the administrative, cultural and scientific centre of the Vologda Region. Vologda belongs to the cities with the particularly valuable historical heritage. It is one of the biggest Russian cities where the stone buildings, situated beside the examples of the wooden architecture, reveal wonderful harmony.

Vologda has more than 200 historical and architectural monuments of the national importance.

The population of Vologda is more than 300 000 people. The city is the cultural centre of the Russian North which is located 500-650 kilometres between Moscow and St Petersburg (460 km from Moscow, about 658 km from St Petersburg). The outstanding masterpieces of the old Russian architecture: the Kirillo-Belozersky Monastery and the Ferapontov Monastery with the frescoes by Dionysius are situated 120 kilometres from the city.

Being the cultural capital of the Russian North, Vologda is always ready to receive the guests of the city, to provide them with all necessary services, to give them a chance to feel the atmosphere of the unique individuality, traditions and hospitality.