

IGOR YURGENS

Mr. Yurgens is the Chairman of the Management Board of the Institute of Contemporary Development, Vice President of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, a member of the Presidential Council for the Development of the Information Society in Russia, a member of the Presidential Council for Civil Society Institutions and Human Rights, a member of the Presidium of the Council for Foreign and Defense Policy and a member of the Council of the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS).

Born in Moscow in 1952, Igor Yurgens graduated with a degree in economics from Moscow State University in 1974, when he began working in various positions with the international departments of the Professional Unions Central Council of the USSR and the UNESCO Secretariat.

From 1992 to 1997, he was the First Deputy Chairman of the CIS Trade Union Confederation. He later served as Co-Chairman of the Foundation for the Development of Parliamentarism in Russia (1997-1998). In 1998 he became President of the All-Russian Insurance Association (1998-2002).

From 2002 to 2005, Mr. Yurgens served as Vice President / Executive Secretary of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs (RSPP). From 2005 to the present, he has been Vice President of RSPP.

Other positions held in recent years include Chairman of the Financial Markets Committee of the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (2000-2009), member of Public Chamber of the Russian Federation (2007-2009) and First Vice President of the investment bank Renaissance Capital (2005-2010).

Mr. Yurgens has served on the Board of Directors of numerous commercial and nonprofit organizations, including the EastWest Institute, OGK-4, National Association of Securities Market Participants (NAUFOR), New Eurasia Foundation and Sandvik – MKTC.

He is a professor at the Higher School of Economics, where he regularly holds seminars on the Particularities of Government-Business Relations in Russia. Under the editorship of Igor Yurgens, a Risk Management textbook was published in 2003. He has also penned numerous articles and monographs.

He is the recipient of several state and international awards, including the Order of Honor of the Russian Federation, L'Ordre National du Mérite of France and the Russian Orthodox Church's Order of St. Sergius of Radonezh and Order of Prince Daniel of Moscow.

Mr. Yurgens is also Honorary Consul General of Monaco in the Russian Federation.

Fluent in English and French, Igor Yurgens is married and has one daughter.