

The ExxonMobil logo, featuring the word "ExxonMobil" in a bold, red, sans-serif font.

ExxonMobil and Rosneft are pleased to support the National Gallery of Art exhibition *Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes, 1909 – 1929: When Art Danced with Music*. This occasion promotes the appreciation of beauty, history, and innovation in Russian art, and celebrates the close partnership between the two companies.

“The *Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes* exhibition serves to foster better understanding between the American and Russian people,” said Rex W. Tillerson, chairman and chief executive officer, Exxon Mobil Corporation. “We are honored to join Rosneft and the National Gallery of Art in promoting dialogue, interaction, and commerce between our two countries.”

“The project will be a momentous event,” stated Igor Sechin, Rosneft president and board chairman, “marking a milestone in the development of the partnership between OJSC Rosneft Oil Company and ExxonMobil. We may now say that we are discovering not only new oil fields in the interest of future energy security, but also new depths of our cultural heritage in the interest of mutual understanding and respect.”

The partnership between Rosneft and ExxonMobil is a story of strong foundations, cooperation, and innovation. The Sakhalin-1 project has established several world records and has been a model of safety in an area with extremely challenging weather and geologic conditions. The project team, which is 90 percent Russian, found innovative ways to protect a precious ecosystem and opened new possibilities for local communities.

ExxonMobil and Rosneft built on their strong relationship in 2011 by signing a strategic cooperation agreement to search for hydrocarbon resources in the Kara Sea and Black Sea of Russia, which are among the world’s most promising and least-explored areas. The companies are collaborating on a new Arctic Research Center, which will support safe, environmentally sound oil and gas development on the Russian Arctic shelf. The agreement also lays the groundwork for strengthening the companies’ partnership beyond Russia as they look to new opportunities in the United States and elsewhere.

ExxonMobil and Rosneft serve a global economy in which demand for energy is projected to grow significantly in the coming decades. Meeting that demand will depend on the ability and commitment of companies such as ExxonMobil and Rosneft to unlock new supplies in a way that is safe, secure, and environmentally responsible. The companies will continue to work together to provide the energy needed to build a better, more prosperous future for people around the world.

ExxonMobil and Rosneft invite visitors to experience the exhibition *Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes, 1909 – 1929* and to appreciate the beauty of Russian art and the richness of its history.