



# Altimo Foundation NewsLetter

east & west



Dear friends!

The world is becoming smaller. The opportunity to communicate across national and cultural borders grows every year. To harness the full social and economic potential of an increasingly globalized economy, Altimo is introducing the Altimo Foundation in order to make social investments in projects that will promote cultural and scientific partnerships between the East and the West. Altimo is committed to supporting social cohesion and business expertise in emerging markets where Altimo operates.

The Altimo Foundation will fund projects in the fields of culture, education, social sciences, health and sports. It will act independently, headed by a team of Trustees and work in partnership with local communities and government organisations.

We are delighted that Mike Moore has agreed to Chair the Foundation. He is a leader in the fields of social investment and international development and will prove invaluable to the workings of the Foundation.

Alexey Reznikovich  
CEO Altimo



Dear colleagues,

I am very excited to have joined the newly formed Altimo Foundation as its Chairman. After so many years of working globally, it is my strong conviction that the world needs to establish stronger communication links – not only between countries, but also between cultures, civilizations and people.

Acting in the field of mobile telecoms, Altimo is a natural promoter of the idea of mutual cultural and social penetration between the two worlds of the East and the West. As such, I am committed to the future of the Altimo Foundation, which has been created to establish stronger links between the parts of this dynamic and globalizing planet. Let's wish it success.

Mike Moore  
Chairman  
Altimo Foundation

Mr. Moore is former Prime Minister of New Zealand, and former Director General of the WTO. After his tenure at the WTO, Mr. Moore was appointed to the Global Commission on International Migration. Mr. Moore is Special Advisor to the UN Global Compact and a Commissioner of the UN Commission of Legal Empowerment of the Poor. Mr. Moore serves on a several Commercial boards and is a visiting Professor to many universities and is involved with a number of charitable organisations. He is a member of the Trilateral Commission; an organization established to foster closer co-operation between America, Europe and Japan. He is a founding member of the Global Leadership Foundation. Mr. Moore is an author of a number of books, on subjects ranging from politics to the Pacific and has a regular newspaper column that appears in five countries.  
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 The Gala Concert of the Russian Ballet Stars in Hanoi
 

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On 25 January, 2008 the Altimo Foundation sponsored a rare opportunity to see world-class performances from Russia's leading ballet stars at a gala concert at the famous Hanoi Opera House in Vietnam.

In their first ever performance in Vietnam, the company of ballet stars presented the world famous "Gala Performance" which consists of twelve of the most important scenes in classical ballet history. The stars were 10 soloists from the Bolshoi and the Stanislavski

Theaters in Moscow, the best ballet performers Russia has to offer. The artistic director, ex-leading dancer of the Bolshoi, Evgeny Kern, is not only an Honored Artist of the Russian Federation, but is also a Laureate of the International Competition of Ballet Dancers.

Scenes from "Sleeping Beauty", "Nutcracker", "Don Quixote", and "Corsair" were shown to a high-profile Hanoi audience. "The Altimo Foundation is very proud to present Russia's best ballet performers in Vietnam for the very first time," said Kirill Babaev, CEO of the Altimo Foundation. "We aim to promote cultural interaction and the communication of values between East and West with a commitment to cultural exchange and the night saw the artistic expression of this vision".

This year marks the beginning of the Altimo Foundation's focused commitment to "making the best of Russia accessible to new generations in Vietnam". Thanks to the generous support of its corporate parent Altimo, the Altimo Foundation will provide a number of overseas scholarships at leading international business schools to Vietnam's brightest students as well as continuing its sponsorship of the arts and cultural activities in the country.



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# education & training

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## The Altimo Scholarship Project

The Altimo Foundation has successfully arranged scholarships for Vietnam's best students with INSEAD in France and MTUSI, a leading Russian technology university in Moscow.

The first Annual Altimo Vietnam Scholarship Program will take place in 2008, with the first tranche of Altimo students starting their courses in September. Each student will study courses relevant to their planned careers in order to ensure that they will be highly employable.

The Altimo Foundation endeavors to select the best graduate students from Vietnam to send to INSEAD – the world famous business school in Fontainebleau, France. The Altimo Foundation will pay full scholarship for the first year of their education.

At the same time, the Altimo Foundation will send ten Vietnamese students to the best technology university, MTUSI, in Moscow to study economics and engineering and enable successful careers in the fast-growing telecoms sector of Vietnam.

The Altimo Foundation, with the support of the Ministry of Education of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, will invite university students to participate in the

Altimo Vietnam Essay Competition, which requires the submission of an essay on one of the designated themes via a dedicated website.

A jury of distinguished individuals with a strong economics backgrounds will be judging the essays. The winners will be selected from Vietnam's three main regions – North, Central and South.

The contest will provide essayists with the opportunity to discuss issues such as economic growth, environmental conservation, human resource development, industry, and infrastructure.



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# sport & spirit

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## Altimo Foundation announces cooperation with world famous Ukrainian sports star

**Y**ana Klochkova is one of the most famous Ukrainian sportswomen. She has five Olympic medals, of which four are gold, World and European championship in swimming and an honoured title of the Hero of Ukraine to her name. This makes Yana one of the country's brightest sports star and pride of Ukraine.

But Yana is not only a sports figure. To commemorate her efforts in developing sports education in Ukraine, she was recently named one of the most influential women in the country.

The Altimo Foundation has entered into a long term partnership with Yana Klochkova to further develop sports culture in Ukraine, promoting the construction of sports facilities throughout the country. The Foundation is sponsoring Yana's intensive preparations for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing as well as her long term training and social programmes.

"I see my task more than just winning medals," Yana said. "Supported by the Altimo Foundation, I am planning to boost my participation in both sport and society in my country. Running social investment projects in many emerging markets around the world, the Altimo Foundation will become a reliable partner that will support in my activities, with the aim of establishing a healthy attitude towards the Olympics here in Ukraine".




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## The Royal Palace Sprint 2008

**O**n February 27, the Altimo Foundation sponsored Stockholm's fifth Royal Palace Sprint cross-country skiing competition, which is part of the FIS World Cup.

Despite the gloomy winter weather, the beautiful surroundings of the city centre and the thrilling sprint races made it a memorable day for both the brave participants and the audience.

In connection with the Royal Palace Sprint, the Altimo Foundation hosted a reception at the Café Opera and invited a number of prominent guests to attend a Winter Sports Forum with Swedish sports legends. Honored guests together with Altimo representatives were also invited to a small dinner reception hosted by H.M. King Carl XVI Gustaf at the Royal Castle.

Among Altimo's guests were senior officials from the Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, representatives from the diplomatic corps as well as a board member of Telia-Sonera, which partners with Altimo in a number of emerging markets.