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2-nd International Scientific and Practical Conference "Modern Trends in the Development of Environmental, Land and Agrarian Law"

On June 17, 2019, the 2-nd International Scientific and Practical Conference "Modern Trends in the Development of Environmental, Land and Agrarian Law" was held at the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences, which was organized by the sector of environmental, land and agrarian law.

The conference was attended by researchers, teachers and graduate students of leading universities and research institutes in Moscow: Lomonosov Moscow State University, Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law under the Government of the Russian Federation, Kutafin Moscow State Law University (MSAL, Russian State University of Justice, State University of Land Management, Moscow Institute of Engineers of Geodesy, Aerial Photography and Cartography (MIIGAiK), University of Prosecutor's Office, Russian University of Transport (RTH MIIT), Russian State Agrarian University-Moscow Agricultural Academy named after KA Timiryazev, Russian Academy of National Economy and Public Administration under the President of the Russian Federation, All-Union Scientific Research Institute of Phytopathology. Practitioners also engaged in scientific activities from the World Wide Fund for Nature, NIIP Urban Planning LLC (St. Petersburg), the non-profit partnership Oryol Regional Bar Association 2, and the Office of Rosprirodnadzor in the Republic of Mordovia also participated in the conference. Other subjects of the Russian Federation were represented by scientists and teachers from Kazan (Volga Region) Federal University, Nizhny Novgorod State Research University. N.I. Lobachevsky, Bashkir State University and Bashkir State Agrarian University, Krasnoyarsk State Agrarian University, Tula State University. In total, the conference was attended by about 100 scientists.

The plenary session of the conference was opened by Doctor of Law, Professor, Honored Scientist of the Russian Federation, Chief Researcher of the Ecological, Land and Agrarian Law Sector of the Institute of State and Law of the Russian Academy of Sciences Mikhail Mikhailovich Brinchuk, who made a presentation on the "Paradigm of Environmental Law". The plenary session discussed the issues of environmental priorities in urban policy (Tamara V. Zlotnikova), legal problems of compensation for environmental damage in kind (Gennady A. Volkov), ensuring that the prosecutor's office ensures the rule of law during the implementation of the national project "Ecology" (Alexander Y. Vinokurov), problems of regulatory and technical regulation of control and supervisory activities in the field of waste management (Inna A. Ignatieva), problems of space garbage and the maintenance of sustainable existence of space by means of international law (Galina G. Shinkaretskaya),

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problems of legal regulation of biosphere reserves in Russian legislation (Ekaterina N. Khmeleva).

The block of land and natural resource legislation was presented with the following topics: on the relationship between the institutions of the land category and the types of permitted use of land plots (Stanislav A. Lipsky), on the establishment of land plots boundaries (Maria I. Vasilyeva), court practice issues regarding the elimination of barriers to land use in common ownership (Galina L. Zemlyakova), questions of territorial zoning of the Russian Federation (Olga A. Romanova), about some relevant areas of development of water and related branches of Russian legislation (Fedor P. Rumyantsev).

The reports provide a critical analysis of the current legal regulation of relations in the considered areas and an assessment of the main trends in the further development of legislation. Reasonable comments were made in connection with the planned adoption of a federal law on the abolition of the institution of land categories and its replacement by territorial zoning, doubts were expressed in the legality and fairness of some court decisions, suggestions were made to improve the regulatory legal acts and judicial practice.

The section of environmental law highlighted many of the most important problems, in particular: problems of ownership of the animal world and hunting (fishing) products in the Russian Federation (Sergey N. Rusin), Legal means of implementing climate policy in the Russian Federation (Natalya I. Khludeneva), legal problems territorial organization of waste management activities in the context of reforming the “garbage” industry (Mikhail V. Ponomarev), environmental and legal assessment of draft regulatory legal acts (Nikolay V. Kichigin), issues of administrative and civil liability in the field of subsoil use (Denis V. Spiridonov), prospects for the introduction of an environmental tax in Russia (Evgeny V. Marin), legal regulation of space debris management activities (Nadezhda A. Alekseeva), modern trends in legal regulation of relations in the field of public environmental control (Irina N. Zhochkina), the problem of the need to introduce a ban on catching whales (Veda S. Koshovskaya), environmental protection in the light of the development of Arctic tourism (Nikolai S. Kudelkin), international cooperation in the field of biological diversity protection (Tatyana V. Rednikova), legal regulation of forest certification in the Russian Federation (Anastasia A. Stepanova) and many other relevant problems of environmental law.

The section of land and agrarian law covered many of the most important problems of these branches of science.

In the field of land law, in particular, such as: the development of the constitutional principles of land law in the land legislation of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation (Vladimir N. Kharkov); taking into account the importance of land in the development of land law (Elena V. Strykh); the implementation of land law and the problems of ensuring their effectiveness (Vladimir A. Evsegneev); the exercise of preemptive rights in transactions with land plots (Elena V. Elnikova); legal methods of land development and the rules for granting land plots (Leonid E. Bandorin); current areas of administrative reform and state land supervision (Olga A. Samonchik); on the rights to land plots under which there are underground objects (Victoria V. Mikholskaya); the lack of demand for land shares as a restriction of land ownership (Evgeny V. Balashov).



Great interest was aroused by the reports using an analysis of judicial and other law enforcement practices, which raised the most important questions on: typologies of disputes about the location of agricultural land plots (Dmitry Vyacheslavovich Samoilenko - Senior Lecturer of the Land Law Department of FSBEI HE "State University of Land Management"); definitions of "actual boundaries" in the forensic land management expertise (Daniil Yuryevich Vasin (advocate of the non-commercial partnership Orlovskaya Regional Bar Association-2); transformation of terminology regarding the notion of land share Institute of GPI RAS). The reports noted significant shortcomings in the activities of judicial authorities and cadastral organizations, including the lack of qualifications of cadastral engineers and judges in the field of land disputes.

The agrarian issues were covered in reports on various aspects of the activities of agricultural producers and their state support: problems of legal regulation of agrarian business (Igor V. Vladimirov); the evolution of peasant (farm) farms as an organizational-legal form of entrepreneurship under the laws of the Russian Federation (Marietta D. Shapsugova); legal responsibility in the field of state support of peasant (farmer) farms (Tatyana S. Lebedeva); criteria for determining the agricultural producer (Radmira A. Iksanov).

Representatives of the All-Russian Research Institute of Phytopathology in their reports touched upon certain sectoral activities in the agricultural sector: Fedor Georgiyevich Seriyi revealed the specifics of the legal regulation of plant protection in the Russian Federation, and Alexander V. Finogenov highlighted the problems of accreditation of organizations certifying organic production.

High scientific qualifications of the conference participants, representing leading research centers and universities of Russia, allow us to hope that the ideas expressed by scientists will further develop the doctrine of environmental, land and agrarian law, as well as be reflected in the law-making activities of federal and regional authorities and law-enforcement practice ships. As a result of the conference, an electronic book of abstracts will be published.