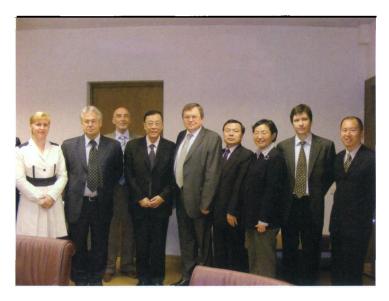
## **NSFC Delegation Visits Russia**

A NSFC delegation led by Prof. Shen Wenqing, NSFC's Vice President, paid a scientific visit to Russia during June 8th through 13th, 2009, at the invitation of Prof. Vladislav Ya. Panchenko, President of the Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR). During the visit to RFBR, the delegation was cordially received by Prof. Panchenko, Prof. Aleksei M. Zheltikov, RFBR's Vice President, and Dr. Alexander N. Sharov, Head of International Relations Department, RFBR.

Recalling the satisfying achievements in China-Russia bilateral cooperation during the past few years, both sides exchanged views and experience with respect to the management of science fund on the one hand, and explored new orientation of the future cooperation and related novel approaches on the other. In-depth discussion was also conducted concerning the renewing of the Memorandum of Understanding and its annex between NSFC and RFBR,

While in Russia, the delegation visited the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research and Ioffe Physico-Technical Institute, with a view to gaining a comprehensive understanding of the status quo of basic research in Russia by visiting related academic research labs.

The fruitful visit was assured by the unfailing support and coordination by the Chinese Embassy in Moscow, especially by Mr. Yu Minduo, Minister-Counselor for Science and Technology, and Mr. Lin Xi,



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Prof. Shen Wenqing, Vice President of NSFC, in discussion with President of RFBR

First Secretary for Science and Technology. Members of the delegation include Prof. Ji Peiwen, Executive Director-General of the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, Ms. Bai Ge, Deputy Director-General of the Bureau of International Cooperation, Dr. He Jie, Division Director of the Department of Information Sciences, and Wei Qin from the Bureau of International Cooperation.

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