Visa support for Moscow EMC (October 17-22, 2016)

Dear colleagues,

below you will find all the necessary information concerning visa support. Please read this factsheet carefully.

All foreign participants of the 21st European Maya Conference in Moscow and their accompanying persons should obtain an entry visa to the Russian Federation. In particular, the visa is needed for all citizens of European Union, USA, UK, Mexico or Japan.

For citizens of certain Latin American countries (including Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru), there are exceptions allowing visa-free travel (up to 90 days) to Russia, but to secure your travel you should ask for the invitation letter from the Conference Organizing Committee. In Europe visa-free are Montenegro and Serbia (with biometric passports).

All the Conference participants, including speakers as well as Workshop and Symposium attendants, i.e. persons who take a direct part in the Conference activities, should obtain a Russian **humanitarian visa** (a Russian visa for participation in scientific activities). If you are coming with an accompanying persons, they also need visa.

The visa supporting documents will be normally given for the official dates of the Conference (from 16 October 2016 to 23 October 2016, inclusive). All requests on changing these dates (for example if you want to arrive earlier or to stay longer) should be indicated in your data.

All the visa applications are realized in Russian embassies / consulates or specialized Visa Centers. In all cases, we highly advice you to consult the Russian embassy or consulate in your home country prior to visa request, because the actual requirements for visa applicants may differ from country to country, and inform us about all irregularities you may find out.

Citizens of European Union (except UK) to apply for visa will need **original official invitation** from Russian State University for the Humanities.

UK, *US*, *Canada*, *Mexican and Japanese citizens* to apply for visa will need **official invitation issued by Federal Migration Service** (FMS) on request of the university.

Please provide us the following data about you and accompanying persons before September 1, 2016 (emc2016@wayeb.org):

- 1. A high-quality scan of your passport with your photo.
- 2. Please specify country, state and district (if apply), city of your birth.
- 3. The full address of your organization, where you work or study (country, zip/postal code, city, street, civic number, telephone and fax numbers). If you neither work nor study please provide your home address and home telephone number.
- 4. The full name of the organization where you work or study.
- 5. Your status, i.e. professor, student etc.
- 6. The exact dates of your visit to Russia.
- 7. E-mail and telephone contact at which you expect our invitation.
- 8. Post address (country, zip or postal code, city, street and number, telephone number) where you would like the original of the invitation to be sent.