

2013 Sino-Russian Juvenile Games Open

On July 11, the 2013 Sino-Russian Juvenile Games opened at Shanghai Nanyang Model Middle School. The sixday games are the only sports activity of the "national year" held respectively in China and Russia. Players, aged from 15 to 18 years, competed in 11 events such as basketball, table tennis, swimming and gymnastics. Russia sent a delegation of 147 people. Participants also had the opportunity to take part in cultural activities, such as Chinese painting, painting facial masks, Chinese calligraphy, and Chinese knot weaving during the games. The games are held in China and Russia in turn. The last four games were held respectively in Tianjin, Moscow, Beijing and Penza. On the same day, the 13th session of the Sports Sub-committee of the China-Russia Cooperation Committee on Education, Culture. Health and Sports was held in Shanghai. Feng Jianzhong, deputy director of the General Administration of Sports, and Russian Deputy Minister of Sports Pavel Kolobkov co-chaired the meeting. Both parties exchanged views on a range of issues such as the current situation and prospects of Chinese and Russian sports, enhancing cooperation in sports science and research, and boosting practical cooperation on the Sochi Winter Olympics and the Sixth Sino-Russian Juvenile Games.