## Vladimir Donskoy

The first Russian District Governor in the history of Rotary International 2004 -2005



## **Academic Profile**

- Ph.D. from Moscow State University (1977)
- Professor at Irkutsk State University and the University of Maryland University College (retired in August 2018)
- Author of 40+ academic publications on Linguistics, Cross-Cultural communication, Business Communication, Business Ethics, American culture
- University vice-president, Irkutsk Russia (1977- 1982)
- Fulbright Scholar-in-residence at California State University Stanislaus ((1992-1993)
- Recipient of prestigious awards from the Russia's Ministry of Higher Education
- Founder and coordinator of the "Watch and Learn" programme for business students from the University of Irkutsk, Siberia

## **Rotary Profile**

- Co-founder of Rotary in Russia
- The first Russian district governor in the history of RI (D.5010, 2004 -2005). Studied Rotary in the U.S. (California), Australia (Sydney), Canada (British Columbia)
- The author of three definitive publications in Russian on the inner workings and philosophy of Rotary. The books referred to as the 'Rotary Bible' for Russian-speaking Rotarians and non-Rotarians.
- Translator of the RI's manuals and by-laws since 1991.
- The founder and Dean of the Rotary Leadership Academy in Russia (2008-2014). 106 graduates, including 7 district governors of D.2220 and D.2225 (Russia).
- D. 2225 representative at the Council on Legislation (2013)
- The first Russian recipient of the Service Above Self Award and the TRF Citation for Meritorious Service
- The second PHF in the former Soviet Union (after President Gorbachev). Multiple Paul Harris Fellow (PHF+8).
- Member of the "From Russia with Love" (Australia-Russia) committee