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Publications in English help Russia's HSE be ranked among 50 top young universities

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The policy to increase scientific publications in English has helped the Russian National Research University Higher School of Economics to join the world's 50 top young universities in the 2018 QS Top 50 Under 50 by the British consulting company Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), HSE Chief Research Supervisor Yevgeny Yasin told TASS on Wednesday.

The research highlights the world's top universities founded less than 50 years ago.

Established in Moscow in 1992, the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE) was ranked 48th among the 100 fastest-rising stars of higher education world. In 2016, the HSE was among the universities ranked 51st to 60th.

"Now we have set a special course under our rector's guidance so that our school can acquire a certain position abroad, in the boundaries which are determined for universities' promotion there," Yasin said. "We work hard on this and insist that our people write in English and publish abroad, not merely write and publish their works here. That is that, you can see the result of the continuing work."

Yasin is convinced that other higher educational institutions lack this promotion and the Higher School of Economics seeks to "raise" them as well.

The HSE press service said that in spite of the fact that the ratings were "young," they had the same metrics as the old universities.

"Academic reputation indicators make up nearly half of the rating," the press service said noting that "it is logical to compare universities within one age group."

Asian universities are the highest-ranking in the 2018 QS Top 50 Under 50 research. Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in Singapore is recognized as the best young university in the world, followed by the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology and Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST). The other top ten universities established less than 50 years ago are City University of Hong Kong, Pohang University of

Science and Technology, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, the Finnish Aalto University, the University of Technology Sydney, the French CentraleSupélec and the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid.

The 2018 QS Top 50 Under 50 has been published since 2012 in line with the same methodological framework complied for the QS World University Rankings that have been published since 2004. The higher educational institutions are evaluated using six metrics. Among them are academic reputation (40%), faculty/student ratio (20%), citations per faculty (20%), employer reputation (10%), international student ratio (5%) and international faculty ratio (5%).

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