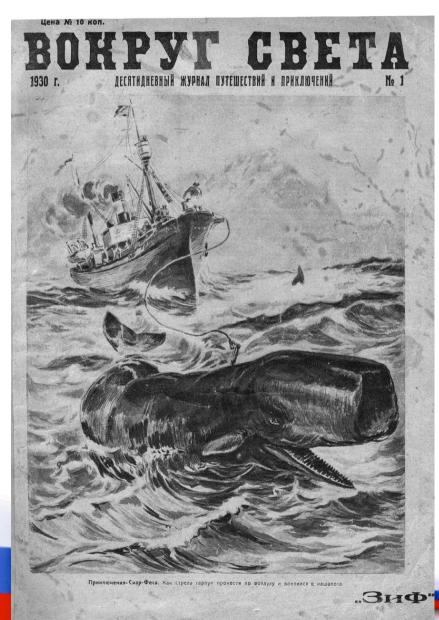
# Science communication in Russia

Erice Science Journalism School 2018

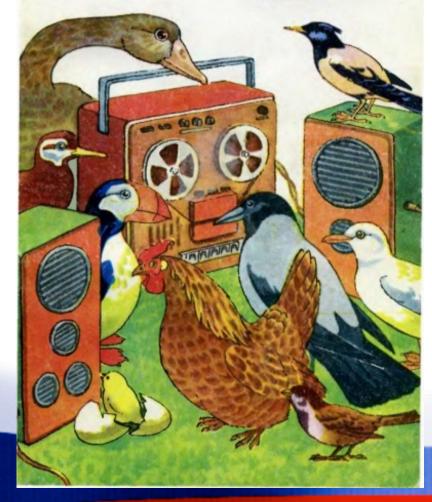
### Science journalism in USSR





— Птица! Не летай над аэродромом, не садись на высоковольтную мачту — это опасно и тебе и людям! — Как научиться предупреждать пернатых на их птичьем языке!...

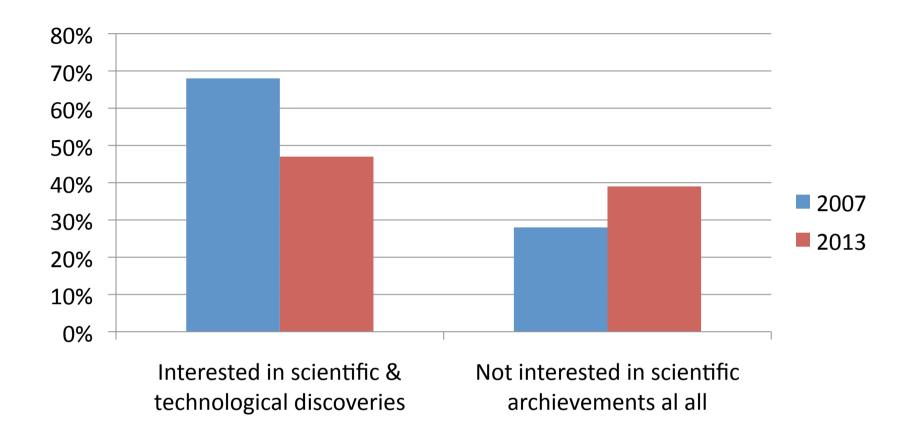








Renaissance of science journalism and science communication in Russia started around mid-2000



Russian Public Opinion Research Center, 2016

## Important aspects of Science Communication in Russia

- ❖ There is no relation between receiving governmental grants and being successful at self-promotion in media -> Scientists are reluctant about communication with journalists
- Science communicators and journalists have to learn mostly by themselves
  - ❖ No science journalism master's program
  - ❖1 science communication master's program
  - Schools are organized on personal initiative
- **❖** Popularizer popularizes for other popularizers

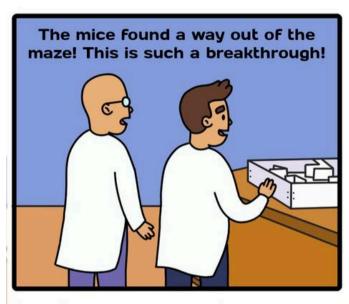
## Popular Means of Science communications

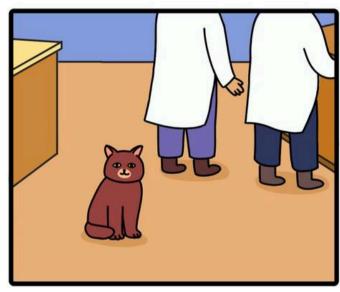
- Popular science magazines (36 magazines)
- ❖ Popular science platforms (less than 10)
- Science sections at national media
- Pop-sci books
- Public lectures
- Educational projects (schools, thematic trips)
- Scientific festivals
- Forums



## Popular formats of science communication

- **❖** News
- Long reads
- Videos
- Podcasts
- Comics
- Cartoons
- Games
- Online tests









#### Key "scientific" cities:

Moscow, Saint-Petesburg, Novosibirsk, Tomsk

#### **Key themes in media:**

Physics, space, biology, medicine

#### **Key news sources:**

- ❖ Independent media (case of N+1 magazine) 5% Russian, 95% foreign
- ❖ National media (case of RIA News) 40% Russian, 60% foreign

### **Awards**

- **❖** Award for Loyalty to Science
- "Enlightener"
- "Communications Laboratory"
- Literary prize Of Andrey Belyaev



## Business invests in science communications

- "Dynasty" Foundation by Dmitry Zimin, head of telephone communications company
- ❖ Potanin Foundation by Vladimir Potanin, owner of investment trust
- "Communications Laboratory" Russian Venture Company



### Conclusion

Science communication in Russia is a promising sphere, that is actively developing. In addition, it attracts pro-active youth, that helps to create new formats.

### Thank You!

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