



## ***Eurasian Summer School for Intercultural Dialogue***

The Eurasian Summer School was organised by the Ural University of Economics in Yekaterinburg. The project was intended for students of economics and international relations. The aim was to shape among students and young specialists (interested in regional development) a vision of the social and economic position of the Middle Urals as a bridge between European and Asian interests.

The main topics were dialogue on industrial policy, getting to know business sectors from Europe and the Urals region, as well as developing design and soft skills, i.e. critical thinking, creativity, teamwork coordination, etc. The 2-week stay in the Urals ensured the interactivity of the project - students could see with their own eyes how enterprises and organisations operate on the border between Europe and Asia. In addition, the participants met with German experts who work in Yekaterinburg enterprises.

The project was created to provide students with access to knowledge that cannot be acquired during a standard university course. In addition to the educational course, the Eurasian Summer School included training in intercultural communication. As the organisers write: it is important to communicate with people of other nationalities in search of common ground, to find solutions and answers to common economic and political problems.