

Dear Sir, Dear ( first name ) ie Jeffrey

As we all know you are well aware, the relationships between our two countries have decreased substantially taken a hit. - The in the past few years and, probably, are at the lowest point for decades has been rough, but hopefully it is on an upswing. -

I cannot it is difficult to predict for how long it will go on our mutual futures as— too there are too many unknowns, many circumstances involved; but, rest assured there are nevertheless, certain power groups over here in Russia feel the void and need for at least gradually improving the situation. that would like to be part of a new beginning.

However difficult The economic situation in Russia is currently difficult but, there are still thousands hundreds of willing and able of competent entrepreneurs, able and willing to risk and invent. looking for the opportunity to invent and prosper.

It's this IT is this group of people who that suffers the most from the a lack of contacts with their American counterparts and this WE are looking for new ways to is what basically of interest to us— establish new bridges of in order to exchange ideas, and possibly cooperation, creat new working channels and to discuss mutual goals problems and perspective cooperation.

There are a number of people, for instance Alexei Repik, an active tech investor and businessman in bio-pharma area, who is also a leader of a hi – tech lobby group close to Russian Government, who would like to start a mutually beneficial dialog with senior representatives of Silicon Valley as you are aware some of the best and brightest in silicon valley originated in our country. entrepreneurship— after all, many people, ideas and projects circulated now around Palo Alto are from Russia.

There were a number of cooperation projects like that in the past – notably, RAND Business Forum, or American Chamber of Commerce Forum, that attempted but they all failed in the past couple of years due to close more as a result of proximity to politics then bad ideas. We would like to propose something entirely new – a forum for influential non-politicians discussing business, technology and, yes, politics, for a free thinking in order to benefit of all parties involved us all.