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SERGEI KUKURA, LUKOIL FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT, IS AWARDED WITH
ORDER OF HONOUR

Sergei Kukura, First Vice-President of OAO "LUKOIL", is awarded with the Order of Honour for his career achievements and long years of diligent work by a decree of Vladimir Putin, President of Russian Federation.

Sergei Petrovich Kukura was born on October 31, 1953, in Brest, Byelorussia.

He graduated from the Ivano-Frankovsk Oil and Gas Institute as an oil and gas economist in 1979.

Kukura started his career in 1979 in Nizhnevartovskneftegaz, in Tumen region, then he held responsible positions in Bashneft and Kogalymneftegaz.

From 1989 to 1992 – Kogalymneftegaz Director General Deputy.

From 1992 to 1993 – First Vice-President of the Oil Concern Langepasuraikogalymneft.

From 1993 – First Vice-President of OAO "LUKOIL".

Academic degree of Kukura is Doctor of Economics.

He was awarded with medals and Russian defence ministry commemorative badge.

Sergei Kukura is a Honoured Economist of the Russian Federation and Honoured Employee of OAO "LUKOIL".