

The SOVA Center for Information and Analysis was founded in October 2002.

The work of the Center is reflected on the website <http://sova-center.ru>, which is actively updated on a daily basis. News, commentary on public debates and our own publications are sorted thematically within subject sections, and links to the most useful sources are given. Some resources are available in English, and there are separate English pages for the major sections. To sign up for our various daily email bulletins in Russian, or for a weekly English language bulletin, please write to mail@sova-center.ru.

Religion in Secular Society – <http://religion.sova-center.ru> – is a leading source of information on events and discussions relating to interfaith relations, and the varied conflicts between secular institutions and religious confessions.

Nationalism and Xenophobia – <http://xeno.sova-center.ru> – this section includes three projects.

The first maintains a great deal of topical information about hate crimes and manifestations of nationalism and xenophobia, attempts by government and civil society to counteract it, and public discussions on this subject.

The second project, ‘Hate speech in the Russian mass media’, monitors and analyses intolerant publications and the problem of intolerant language in the mass media.

The third project, ‘Unjust anti-extremism’, arose from the latter projects, and focuses on the increasingly visible tendency to misuse anti-extremism legislation in order to unjustly limit civic freedom.

Since 2003, the SOVA Center has published 14 books (in Russian) on the abovementioned topics. Previous collection of reports was also published in English.

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