

Kremlin Website Gets Redesign

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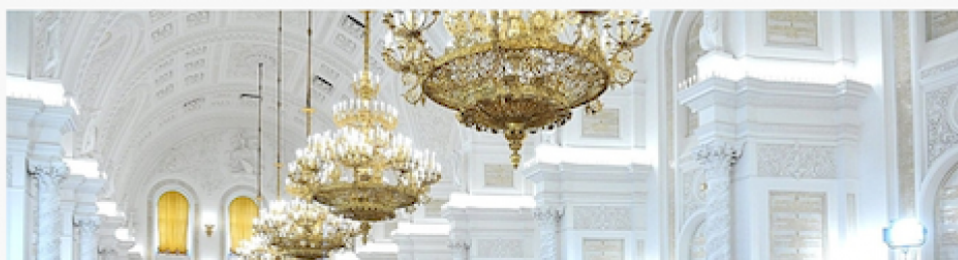
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After a year of development, the Kremlin on Wednesday launched a revamped version of its website, Kremlin.ru.

According to the Kremlin press service, the website is a significant improvement upon the original, which dates back to September 2009, Interfax news agency reported.

“Since then, there have been significant technological advances, new formats of displaying information have appeared but, most importantly, we have received enough feedback from our users, which we have tried to take into consideration when designing the new website,” the Kremlin's press service was cited as saying by Interfax.

The creators of the new website — which took a year to develop and is available in both Russian and English — said the new release makes Kremlin.ru “one of the most advanced resources” of its kind worldwide.

According to the Kremlin, the designers did not draw inspiration from the websites of foreign governments, saying Russia had its own tradition of how to display information.

The site's developers said the new web portal is significantly easier to navigate than the

earlier version — the formatting and font of the text have been changed and a liquid layout allows the site to be read more comfortably from mobile devices.

The Kremlin website receives a daily average of 100,000 users, the report said.

For those thinking the relaunch provides an opening to hack the online portal, the Kremlin issued a warning.

“It's clear that, probably, some people will want to test the site's strength, but we'll fight them off,” the Kremlin press service said, adding that President Vladimir Putin's personal website, Putin.kremlin.ru, could also undergo a makeover in the future.

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