“Every Midweek Brainstorming Session is like a chamber concert – no one is simply casually present. Discussing a problem or an expert report debated by a small number of highly qualified professionals makes it possible to learn new things and, more significantly, to discuss the nature of the problem honestly, regardless of the personalities involved.”

Pavel Luzin, postgraduate student, Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO), Russian Academy of Sciences, PIR Center Alumnus

“The internet be governed? The future of China’s nuclear policy – is Beijing willing to consider reducing its arsenal, or are they building it? Why did Uzbekistan withdraw from the Collective Security Treaty Organization? What exactly is being studied by hundreds of students from Myanmar at nuclear universities? What would a cyber-war entail, and how would we avoid it? How should Russian and US foreign policy change after the elections? These and many other fascinating questions have been discussed during Midweek Brainstorming sessions over the past year.

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