School of Public Administration of the Moscow State University recently has established a Simulation Learning Laboratory which will design simulations for management education. The Laboratory is chaired by Professor Dmitry Kavtaradze, who has more than 30 years of designing and running simulations in the Moscow State University.

One of the first simulations to be developed is a joint SD-ABM simulation of electronics retailers competition prepared by Dmitry Katalevsky, Ph.D. in Economics, a graduate of UAlbany MPA Program. The simulation would be used by the senior students of the Faculty in marketing and strategic management classes.

A number of simulation games is regularly used in teaching of various courses for MSU students. Simulations have a strong support of psychologists who are studying microworlds effectiveness.

In December 2008 and in June 2009 the School of Public Administration organized two international training events on “Interactive tools in education”. Both events were attended by teachers from different Universities of Russia and Eastern Europe. Participants were offered a number of simulations including those designed on the basis of system dynamics (i.e. Simulation “Econet ABC” by D. Kavtaradze et al.) and an introductory lecture on using SD in education.