

# WILL RUSSIAN PARLIAMENT RATIFY KYOTO PROTOCOL?

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# CHANGES IN FRAMEWORK FOR KYOTO RATIFICATION

- Modifications in internal framework
- Modifications in external framework

# Priorities in Russian government policy

- Modernization Programme
- Shift from economic depression to economic growth
- Long term high rates of economic growth
- Reorganization in energy sector
- International cooperation

# Key Issues for Kyoto Ratification in the State Duma

- Will Russia be able to comply with its obligations under the Kyoto?
- Won't Kyoto limit the economic growth in Russia?

# ARGUMENTS of the OPPONENTS of RATIFICATION

- Extent of anthropogenically induced climate change is still uncertain
- High energy intensity of GDP is predefined by the geographic position of Russia; potential for energy intensity and GHG reductions is limited
- Global warming is beneficial for Russia
- Kyoto Protocol will limit economic growth
- Kyoto became less 'beneficial' and appealing for Russia after the USA exit
- More attention to transaction costs than to specific incentives of climate business

# Government positions to ratification of Kyoto

- Major GHG emission scenarios
- Scenario of the RF Ministry of Energy
- Decision about ratification pass to State Duma

# General Balance of Political Interests