

IRT WORKSHOP ON EU-RUSSIA RELATIONS

Brussels, 8 November 2011, from 11.00 to 15.00

Location: Hotel Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse 19, 1050 Brussels

Room Luxembourg / The Hague

Moderator: Mr. Dennis Kredler, European Roundtable of Industrialists

10.30-11.00 Registration and Welcome Coffee

11.00-11.30 Welcome Addresses:

- H.E. Mr. Vladimir Chizhov, Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the EU
- Mr. Knut Fleckenstein, Chair of the European Parliament's Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Committee

11.30-11.50 Russia: Underestimated EU economic partner among the BRIC countries

- Mr. Gunther Deuber, Raiffeisenbank International

11.50-12.10 Exchanges between people, a success factor for economic integration

- Mr. Frank Schauff, Association of European Businesses in the Russian Federation (AEB)

12.10 – 13.00 Case Studies of successful European investments in Russia

- Mr. Bosco Novak, Nokia Siemens Networks
- Novartis (Name TBC)
- Carlsberg (Name TBC)

13.00-13.45 **Networking Lunch**

13.45-14.45 The Customs Union between Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan: what is the impact on EU-Russia relations?

- Mr Philipp Gabunia, Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation
- Mr. Pierre-Luc Devigne, European Commission, DG Trade

14.45-15.00 Conclusions and Outlook

- Mr. Dennis Kredler, European Roundtable of Industrialists