

EU-Russia relations: a post-WTO strategy

12 September 2012

By Adrian van den Hoven
Director, International Relations Department



Accession to the WTO

Improved market access conditions

Future steps for Russia:

- Strict schedules
- Rapid legislative reforms
- WTO compatible regulations
- European Commission to observe the process





A new EU-Russia Strategy

 Accession to the WTO provide opportunities for a new strategy towards Russia

- 1. Trade and investment cooperation
- Accelerating bilateral negotiations on PCA





A new EU-Russia Strategy

 Support EU and Russian efforts to negotiate the New Agreement

- Highlight two core areas of interest for European business:
 - → visa facilitation
 - → investment negotiations



THANK YOU

