

Hearing

hosted by the Friedrich-Naumann-Stiftung and the Heinrich Böll Foundation in co-operation with Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, MEP and Cem Özdemir, MEP

Governance, Human Rights and Civil Society – Can Russia be a "strategic" partner for Europe?

Brussels, 3 May 2007, 9h00 – 12h15

Programme

Venue: European Parliament, room PHS 7 C 50

- 9h00 **Opening by Susanne Hartig, Director Programmes, Dialogue Programme Brussels, Friedrich-Naumann-Stiftung**
- 9h15 **Panel One: Domestic Policy in Russia**
This panel will discuss the state of domestic policy in Russia by focussing on the work of political parties, especially the opposition in Russia. It will discuss the impact and prospects of past and future elections in Russia and the conditions and difficulties Russian and international journalists encounter in providing media and press coverage.

Moderator: Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, MEP,
Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for
Europe (ALDE)

Panellists: Prof. Michail Amosov, Member of the
Office of the Federal Council of "Jabloko"
Klaus-Helge Donath, TAZ, Moscow
Prof. Bronislaw Geremek, MEP, Member of
the Delegation to the EU-Russia
Parliamentary Cooperation Committee (tbc)

10h30 Coffee break

10h45 **Panel Two: Civil Society in Russia**
This panel focuses on the developments in Russia's emerging civil
society. It will discuss the circumstances under which Russian and
international NGO's as well as political foundations work. An
emphasis will also be put on Russia's emerging political elite and its
future role in Russia.

Moderator: Cem Özdemir, MEP, Group of the
Greens/European Free Alliance

Panellists: Dr. Elena Nemirovskaya, Director Moscow
Institute for Political Studies
Jens Siegert, Director Heinrich Böll
Foundation, Moscow (tbc)

12h00 Closing remarks by Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, MEP

12h15 End of Hearing