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Russian Government resolves on raising road toll

The Russian Government's Resolution No. 120 of 31 January 2017 doubles the coefficient used to calculate the road toll (from 0.41 to 0.82).

With the new coefficient, the road toll will amount to RUB 3.09 per 1km vs. today's RUB 1.53.

At the same time, the annual adjustment of the toll by the consumer price index has been postponed from 1 July 2017 to 1 July 2018.

The Resolution will enter into force on 15 April 2017.

[Official website of the Russian Government](#)

Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade to extend state subsidies for car finance

The Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade has developed draft Government Resolution calling for extending the government support to auto lending until the end of 2017.

The draft proposes certain amendments to the government support eligibility criteria, e.g. increasing the maximum value of cars bought with subsidised loans from RUB 1.15 to 1.45 million.

[Federal draft legislation portal](#)

Federation Council defines priorities for streamlining antimonopoly policy

Resolution of the Federation Council No. 17-SF of 1 February 2017 sets forth the priority areas for developing competition and streamlining the antimonopoly policy.

Thus, the Federation Council has given the following assignments:

- To introduce changes to the procurement system, in particular, to set common procurement requirements, including for electronic platforms;
- To expedite development of a draft federal law on the fundamental principles of the state regulation of prices, product and service tariffs, and submit it to the State Duma by the end of 2017;
- To develop proposals on banning the unfair competition practices based on owning mixed and/or excessive personal data without consent of the personal data protection authority;
- To enhance control over signing and performance of food supply contracts as part of one's commercial activities;
- To expedite development of proposals aimed at securing equal business conditions for the Russian and foreign online sellers.

[Official Federation Council website](#)

Trends in e-commerce laws in 2016 and 2017 outlook

2016 saw quite controversial trends in the regulation of the Russian e-commerce market. The legislative changes adopted in 2016 will have a strong impact on the IT companies.

For Fintech companies the year was marked by the release of Federal Tax Service Letter on cryptocurrency regulations and innovations implemented by the Russian Central Bank throughout the year.

2017 may become equally important for the Russian IT sector.

For legislative recap of 2016 and the outlook for 2017, please refer to our IT Legal Drive for [January 2017](#).

Economic activity classification changed effective 1 January 2017

Order of the Federal Agency for Technical Regulation and Metrology No.14-st enacts as of 1 January 2017 the second revised edition of the Russian Classification of Economic Activities, or OK 029-2014 (OKVED2).

For more details please refer to LT in Focus of [24 January 2017](#).

Draft law on Chemical Safety developed

The development of [Draft Federal Law](#) on Chemical Safety has been finalised. The draft was based on the existing Fundamental Statutory Principles of the Chemical and Biological Safety for the Period From 2025 and Further. If adopted, this federal law will enter into force on 1 January 2018, except for certain provisions that will apply from 2019 and 2020.

For more details please refer to LT in Focus of [23 January 2017](#).

We hope that you will find this edition interesting and informative. Should you have any questions on this subject, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

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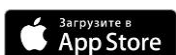


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