

# **EU/Russia Agreement: preservation of commitments on trade in services contained in the EU/Russia Partnership and Cooperation Agreement**

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The Committee on International Trade unanimously adopted the report drafted by Gianluca SUSTA (S&D, IT) in which it recommends the European Parliament to give its consent to the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Government of the Russian Federation relating to the preservation of commitments on trade in services contained in the current EU-Russia Partnership and Cooperation Agreement.

Members accept the need for the EU to conclude a bilateral agreement with Russia in order to secure additional bilateral trade concessions over and above those available under the multilateral regime, thus preserving the current commitments on access to the Russian market for EU providers in two service sectors, namely maritime trade and the temporary movement of natural persons for business purposes).