

## Course: Doing Business in Russia

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Conditions of participation	<b>In terms of form:</b> registration via service portal
	<b>In terms of content:</b> none
Examination	ELN (presentations (50%), oral exams (50%))
Pre-examination requirements	None
Part of final grade	yes
Required for pass	yes
Learning outcomes / competencies	<p><b>Qualification objectives:</b> After successful completion of this course, students are able to navigate in a Russian business environment and understand adjacent fields, such as politics, history or culture.</p> <p><b>Knowledge and understanding:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• describe the terms Russian mentality and culture and particularly the specifics of business communication in Russia,</li><li>• understand and explain the importance of regional differences for starting enterprises in Russia,</li><li>• understand and explain the legal basis for foreign investments in Russia,</li><li>• understand and evaluate developments in Russian labor and financial markets during the past 20 years with particular focus on current developments,</li></ul> <p><b>Know-how:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• develop ideas for a business project in the Russian market on the basis of theoretical facts and practical exercises.</li></ul> <p><b>Learning outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Knowledge enhancement<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Knowledge of important Russian-German investment projects</li><li>○ Knowledge of general framework for economic activities in Russia</li></ul></li><li>• Change of awareness<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Ability to understand Russian mentality and culture, particularly with regard to business activities in and with Russia</li><li>○ Ability to evaluate current developments with regard to opportunities and risks for investment projects in and business activities with Russia</li></ul></li><li>• Personal competence<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Improvement of presentation and self-reflection abilities via discussions, case studies, group work and presentation</li></ul></li></ul>

<b>Contents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Introduction – Importance &amp; basics of Russian mentality</li><li>2. Russia in the 21st century: history, presence and perspectives</li><li>3. Specifics of business communication in Russia and similar markets</li><li>4. Fundamentally important factors for business activities in Russian markets</li><li>5. Opportunities and risks of investments in Russia</li><li>6. Case studies</li></ol>
<b>Media</b>	Beamer mit Laptop, Tafel, Flipchart <i>Beamer with laptop, blackboard, flipchart</i>
<b>Literature</b>	<p><u>In English:</u></p> <p>Avrashkov M. / Bakeshin, S. / Druzhinin, E. (2015): Doing Business in Russia.</p> <p>KPMG (2015): Doing Business in Russia - Your Roadmap to Successful Investments.</p> <p><u>In German:</u></p> <p>Baumgart/Jänecke (2003): Russlandkniege.</p> <p>Bidder, B. (2016): Generation Putin – Das neue Russland verstehen.</p> <p>Igra, Heidrun (2013): Geschäftskultur Russland - kompakt.</p> <p>Lütthans, Andrea / Zlotina, Irina (2012): Russenversteher.</p> <p>May, Bianca (2014): Markteintritt in Russland wagen? Analyse der interkulturellen Unterschiede auf den Geschäftserfolg deutscher Unternehmen in Russland.</p> <p>Valiullina E./ Valiullin R. (2006): Managerwissen kompakt – Russland.</p>