

# 2018 TIMELINE

**EVENT**

**EXPECTED OUTCOME**

**March**

Presidential Election

Putin wins

**June**

Presidential phone-in

7th

Public criticism of governors  
Focus on social matters, especially health and housing



G7 meeting

8th

Criticism of Russia



Football World Cup

14th

Minor fan violence  
Longer term tourism benefits

CBR meeting

15th

25 bps cut



OPEC meeting

22nd

New deal with higher quota

**July**

Government works on:

**2019-2022 Budget**

New revenue and spending priorities

Shift to infrastructure  
Higher income tax  
Higher pension age

National Projects  
"May decree"

Medicine, education focus  
Better government management

**August**

Usual articles about "Russia's August disasters"

**September**

Single Voting Day

9th

New governors



Far Eastern Economic Forum

11th

Newsflow about "pivot to Asia"

**October**

1st

Deadline for government to present national projects

**November**

US mid-term elections

Speculation about Russian interference



G20 meeting

Tension round UK meeting

**December**

Address to Federal Assembly

Too soon for adjustments