

Asset Capital's Matias Says Zubkov Is Potential Putin Successor

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Sept. 21 (Bloomberg) -- Vladimir Matias, managing partner of Asset Capital Partners in Moscow, comments on whether newly appointed Russian Prime Minister Viktor Zubkov eventually will succeed President Vladimir Putin.

Matias spoke in a German-language interview today.

``Zubkov is a candidate who should be taken very seriously. He is experienced as a politician and as a bureaucrat. He was responsible for financial oversight and the fight against money laundering. He's among the wisest candidates with regard to finances and fighting corruption. He probably knows more about this than anyone else in the country."

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