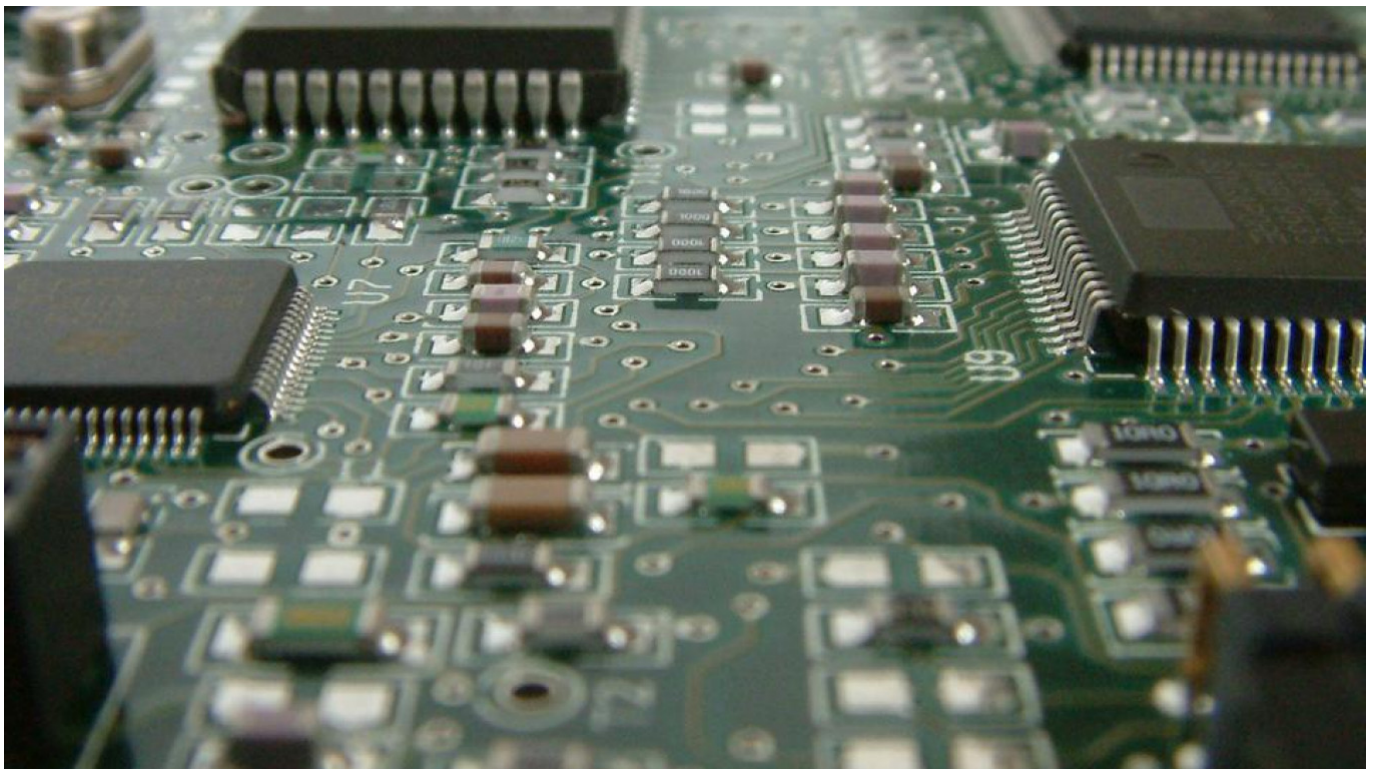


# Kremlin Plans Register to Boost Russia's 'IT Sovereignty'

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Russia may create a national register of domestically-produced IT equipment in a bid to increase the country's technological "sovereignty," the Vedomosti newspaper [reported](#) Wednesday.

The IT register would allow domestic producers to receive state support, and would help state ministries follow new laws which require the use of Russian-produced software whenever possible.

Goods listed in the register will be given a 15 percent price preference during procurement deals by the state.

While the register could be ready by the end of 2017, experts claim that the government must first tighten criteria defining "localized production," Vedomosti reported.

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