

## 3 Governors Confirmed

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The Kremlin on Thursday announced confirmation of three appointees to fill regional executive vacancies, Interfax reported.

Yevgeny Kuivashev is taking the reins in the Sverdlovsk region, Sergei Yeroshchenko is the new leader of the Irkutsk region and Alexander Hudilainen takes charge in Karelia.

All three have already assumed their administrative responsibilities.

Hudilainen was among the candidates to lead the Leningrad region, but that post ended up going to Alexander Drozdenko. So Hudilainen was instead installed as governor of Karelia.

Yeroshchenko is a confidant of reformist presidential candidate Mikhail Prokhorov who led the Right Cause party's operations in the Irkutsk region.

Kuivashev was transferred to the Sverdlovsk region after a stint in the government of the Urals Federal District.

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