## Acting Prime Minister Yegor Gaidar

Yegor Timurovich Gaidar was born on March 19, 1956, in Moscow. His father, Timur, was a foreign correspondent; his grandfather Arkady was a popular author of children's books.

A doctor of economic sciences, Mr. Gaidar spent the early years of his career working in research institutes. In 1987 he was put in charge of economics at Pravda and other publications. He left Pravda in December 1990 to found the Institute of Economic Policy.

Mr. Gaidar entered government in November 1991. He is the chief architect of President Yeltsin's economic reforms. On June 15, 1992, Mr. Gaidar was appointed acting prime minister.