

Workshop in view of the London Ukraine Recovery Conference

25 May 2023, 14.30 - 18.30 CET

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Putting the Lugano Principles into Action

Strengthening the Role of Local and Regional Governments in Ukraine's Recovery and Reconstruction Process, and on the Road to EU Membership

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European Committee of the Regions Brussels, Rue Belliard 101 Rooms JDE51-53

Interpretation in English – French – Ukrainian – Polish

The workshop aims:

- to promote **local self-governance and effective decentralisation** as a part of the reconstruction process of Ukraine (Lugano principle 4), and to link recovery with decentralisation reform and strong involvement of local and regional levels in Ukraine in the planning of recovery and reconstruction;
- to raise awareness of the link between multi-level governance, regional development and the EU enlargement process;
- to discuss concrete steps to actively engage municipalities and regions of the donor countries and beyond in these efforts;
- to **identify needs** for a **dedicated support** for local and regional self-government in Ukraine, as well as for the twinning actions with their counterparts in the donor countries, for their future reconstruction efforts for Ukraine;
- to **strengthen involvement** of private sector investments and public-private partnerships in reconstruction at local and regional level.
- to produce recommendations, as a result of the workshop discussions, towards the London Ukraine Recovery Conference.

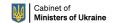












DRAFT AGENDA

14.30-15.15	Opening political statements:
	Local self-governance and effective decentralisation as drivers of resilience,
	cooperation and reconstruction in Ukraine
	Vasco Alves Cordeiro, President of the European Committee of the Regions
	Mathias Cormann, OECD Secretary-General (video address)
	Felicity Buchan, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Levelling
	Up, Housing and Communities, United Kingdom
	Oleksiy Kuleba, Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine
	Gert Jan Koopman, Director General at European Commission Directorate-
	General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations
	Andrea Studer, Ambassador and Deputy Director of the Swiss Development
	Cooperation Agency SDC and Head of the Middle East, North Africa and Europe
	Division
	Vitaly Klitschko, Mayor of Kyiv and President of the AUC, honorary member of
	the CoR (video address)
15.15 - 15:45	Coffee Break
15.15 - 15:45	Press Conference (Room JDE51)

15.45 - 16.45 Parallel panel debates

Daniel Dahata 1	Daniel Dahata 2
Panel Debate 1	Panel Debate 2
Room JDE52-53	Room JDE52-53
Chair: <i>Emil Boc</i> , Chair, Commission for Territorial	Chair: Aleksandra Dulkiewicz, European
Cohesion Policy and EU Budget, European	Committee of the Regions, Chair Ukraine Working
Committee of the Regions	Group, President of the City of Gdansk
Is the decentralisation and multi-level regional	Peer-to-peer support for local self-government in
development planning fit for the recovery and	view of the immediate relief and longer-term
reconstruction period, and for the EU	recovery of Ukraine: recent experiences and
membership?	opportunities for effective collaboration
• <i>Oleksandra Azarkhina,</i> Deputy Minister,	• Oleksandr Slobozhan, Association of Ukrainian
Ministry of Communities, Territories and	Cities
Infrastructure Development of Ukraine	• Bernd Vöhringer, mayor of Sindelfingen and
• Andreas Schaal, Director Global Relations	President of the CoE Chamber of Local
Centre, OECD (Presentation of recent OECD	Authorities, Cities4cities platform, tbc
report)	• Gunn Marit Helgesen, President of CEMR
• Anna Jarosz-Friis, Director at European	• Ewa-May Karlsson, Chair of the Swedish
Commission Directorate-General for	Association of Local Authorities and Regions
Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations	(SALAR), tbc;
	Benjamina Karić, Mayor of Sarajevo, tbc

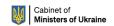












- *Mathieu Mori*, Secretary General of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe
- Władysław Ortyl, member of the European Committee of Regions
- **David Eray**, Head of the Environment Department of the Canton of Jura
- Ms Olena Shuliak, Member of the Ukrainian Parliament, chair/member of the Regional **Affairs Committee**

16:45 - 17.00: Coffee break

17.00 - 18.00

Panel Debate 3 Room JDE52-53 Chair: Niina Ratilainen, Member of European Committee of the Regions Reconstruction and infrastructure investments across all levels of government: principles, coordination, institutional capacity, and trust-	Panel Debate 4: Room JDE52-53 Chair: Ben Butters, Chief Executive Officer, Eurochambers Public-private partnerships and financing of investments at local and regional level
 Dorothée Allain-Dupre, Head of the Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division in CFE, OECD Dr. Ulrike Hopp-Nishanka, Head of Project Group Ukraine, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany (BMZ) tbc Mustafa Nayem, Head of State Agency for Restoration of Ukraine tbc Bastian Veigel, GIZ-Programme Director, ULEAD Programme Thomas Dedeurwaerdere, Policy Specialist at UNDP Brussels Hennadiy Maksak, Executive Director, Foreign Policy Council 'UA Prism' 	 Jean-Eric de Zagon, Head of European Investment Bank office Ukraine Wolfgang Schläger, Director of the EBRD office in Brussels Oleksandr Bankov, State Secretary, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Véronique Willems, Secretary General, SMEunited, tbc Hennadiy Chizhykov, President of the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce Victor Mykyta, Governor of Transcarpathia, Ukraine Jaroslava Pokorná Jermanová, chair of the European Committee of the Regions' commission for Economic Policy tbc

18.00 - 18.30

Final Session JDE52:

Concluding remarks and adoption of recommendations for the London **Ukraine's Recovery Conference**

- Aleksandra Dulkiewicz, European Committee of the Regions, Chair Ukraine Working Group, President of the City of Gdansk
- Artem Rybchenko, Ukrainian Ambassador to the URC 2023, Ministry of Foreign **Affairs**
- Duncan Norman, Head URC 2023, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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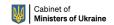












Back-to-back with	Reception hosted by Switzerland at the premises of the Mission of
the final session	Switzerland to the European Union
(5 minutes walk)	Place du Luxembourg 1, 1050 Brussels











