



Brussels, 19 May 2022

NOTICE OF MEETING

WORKING GROUP ON UKRAINE extended to the Conference of Presidents

Meeting No	3
Chair	Aleksandra DULKIEWICZ (PL/EPP) Mayor of Gdańsk
Venue	European Committee of the Regions (JDE52) and online via <i>Interactio</i>
Date	23 May 2022 at 2:30 to 5:45 p.m.
Interpreting	EN/FR/PL/UK

2–2:30 p.m.

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2:30–2:45 p.m.

1. **Adoption of the agenda** (COR-2022-02475-00-01-CONVPOJ-REF)

2. **Welcome by the Chair**

- **Aleksandra DULKIEWICZ**, Mayor of Gdansk, Chair of the Working Group
- **Denys SHMYHAL**, Prime Minister of Ukraine (*tbc*)

2:45–3.30 p.m.

3. **Introductory session: Current political context and EU response**

- **Viola VON CRAMON-TAUBADEL** (Greens/DE), MEP, vice-chair of Delegation to the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Association Committee
- **Vsevolod CHENTSOV**, Head of the Mission of Ukraine to the European Union
- **Luc DEVIGNE**, Director for Russia, Eastern partnership, Central Asia and OSCE; Deputy Managing Director for Europe and Central Asia, European External Action Service (EEAS) (*tbc*)

Exchange of view with the members

3:30–4:30 p.m.

4. Thematic Session 1: Regional development and reconstruction in Ukraine – immediate and future needs and opportunities

- **Ivan LUKERIA**, Deputy Minister of Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
- **Dorothee ALLAIN-DUPRÉ**, Head of the Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division | OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities
- **Janez ŠUŠTERŠIČ**, Senior expert and consultant, RE-FORMA, ex-minister of finance of Slovenia
- **Sergyi CHERNOV**, Member of Kharkiv Regional Council, Ukraine, President of the Ukrainian Association of Regional and District Councils
- **Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN**, Executive Director, Association of Ukrainian Cities

Exchange of views with the members

4:30–5:30 p.m.

5. Thematic Session 2: EU contribution to the reconstruction of Ukrainian cities and regions

- **Jaroslav KURFÜRST**, Special Envoy for the Eastern Partnership, Czech Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- **Katarína MATHERNOVÁ**, Deputy Director General and Head of Support Group for Ukraine, DG NEAR
- **Jean-Erik DE ZAGON**, Head of Representation for Ukraine of the European Investment Bank
- **Bastian VEIGEL**, GIZ Programme Director of ULEAD
- **Roderick PARKES**, Research Director; Head, Alfred von Oppenheim Center for European Policy Studies, DGAP

Exchange of views with the members

5:30–5:45 p.m.

6. Closing session

- **Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS**, President of the CoR
- **Aleksandra DULKIEWICZ**, Mayor of Gdańsk, Chair of the Working Group