Day 1, December 7, 2021

09:40 – 10:00  Connection of participants to MS Teams

10:00 – 10:10  Presentation of the conference flow and agenda

  Conference moderator: Nina KURYATA

10:10 – 10:30  Opening

  • Oleksiy CHERNYSHOV, Minister for Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
  • Remi DUFLOT, Deputy Head of the EU Delegation to Ukraine
  • Bastian VEIGEL, GIZ Programme Director of U-LEAD with Europe Programme

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  “Closing the gap – Enhancing the capacities of municipalities to prepare, implement and finance investment projects that boost economic and social growth: Experiences from the EU and plans for Ukraine”

  Panel speakers:
  • Piotr ZUBER, Senior Lecturer at the Warsaw University, Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies; Principal Advisor, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
  • Igor KORKHOVYI, Deputy Minister for EU Integration, Ministry for Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine

  Moderator: Ilona SOLOHUB, VOX Ukraine

11:10 – 11:15  Break

11:15 – 12:30  Session 1.

  Local economy

  Speakers:
  • Ivan LUKERYA, Deputy Minister for Regional Development, Ministry for Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
  • Jurij KOBAL, Senior Expert, Oikos, Slovenia
Day 2, December 8, 2021

9:40 – 10:00  Connection of participants (MS Teams)
10:00 – 10:05  Welcome to the Day 2
10:05 – 10:45  Keynote session.
   “Institutional/administrative capacities and their contribution to the success of municipal investment projects”
   
   Keynote speaker: Prof. Andres RODRIGUEZ-POSE, London School of Economics (LSE)
   Moderator: Natalia STAROSTENKO, Sector Manager, Regional and local development, Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine

10:45 – 11:00  Break

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch break

13:30 – 14:45  Session 2.
   Social inclusion & development
   Speakers:
   - Tetyana LOMAKINA, Envoy of the President of Ukraine for inclusiveness
   - Federica DISPENZA, Specialist, Community Security and Social Cohesion, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
   - Ivan KALASHNYK, Head of Tomakivka municipality, Dnipropetrovsk oblast, Ukraine
   - Rostyslav BORTNYK, Head of Berezhany Municipality, Ternopil oblast,
   Moderator: Helge ARENDS, Team Leader, U-LEAD with Europe Programme

14:45 – 15:00  Summing up session
   - Andrej HORVAT, GIZ Deputy Programme Director, U-LEAD with Europe Programme
   Conference moderator: Nina KURYATA
11:00 – 12:15 Session 3.
Environmental infrastructure

Speakers:
• Yevgeniya ARATOVSKA, NGO “No Waste Ukraine”
• Julia SHEVCHUK, Nordic Environment Finance Corporation NEFCO, Head of the Representation Office in Ukraine
• Vasyl SCHUR, Head of Mizhgir’ya municipality, Zakarpattya oblast, Ukraine, representative of U-LEAD Initiative
Volodymyr YASCHUK, Head of Illintsi municipality, Vinnitsya oblast, Ukraine

Moderator: Yana BRYK, Public Infrastructure Adviser, U-LEAD with Europe

12:15 – 13:15 Lunch break

Digital transformation on local level

Speakers:
• Donat MAGYARI, U-LEAD with Europe Expert
• Valeriya IONAN, Deputy Minister of Digital Transformation for European Integration
• Viacheslav NEHODA, Deputy Minister for Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine
• Viktor GURSKYI, Director of the NGO ‘Social Boost’

Moderator: Mariana SEMENYSHYN, Team Leader, U-LEAD with Europe Programme

14:30 – 14:45 Summing-up

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Ask the Expert: Exchange Meetings

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