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Central and Eastern Europe in the Search of its Role on the Continent

In recent years, Europe has been looking for answers to a number of fundamental questions: solidarity and European values, the pace of integration and its nature, the future of the European institutions. There were different opinions on the boundaries of national and state sovereignty and relations with the most important partners and neighbors. The prospect of further EU enlargement has been called into question. Can Central and Eastern European countries work out a common position on these dilemmas and help unravel them?

Moderator:
- Jan Rokita – Publicist, Poland

Speakers:
- Jan Krzysztof Bielecki – Chairman to the Advisory Board, EY, Poland
- Malgorzata Gosiewska – Deputy Speaker, Sejm, Poland
- Hans-Jurgen Heimsoeth – Special Representative for the Eastern Partnership, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
- Olena Kondratiuk – Deputy Chairman, Supreme Council, Ukraine
- Mikheil Saakashvili – Leader of the Movement of New Forces-Ukraine, Former President of Georgia
The value of Polish exports to Ukraine in 2019 was over USD 5.3 billion and the value of imports is estimated at over USD 3 billion. Nearly one-third of the total export value was contributed by mechanic equipment. The energy sector was the most popular one. Among the biggest obstacles identified by SMEs were problems with VAT refunds, lengthiness of court proceedings or malpractices in the field of applying intellectual property rights. How to effectively lift trade barriers in a situation where Ukraine still remains outside the EEC.

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Ivano-Frankivsk

Host:
- Ruslan Gayda – Deputy Mayor, Ivano-Frankivsk City Council, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Cross-border Cooperation and the Lifting of Barriers for Polish-Ukrainian Enterprises

Moderator:
• Iryna Sushko – Executive Director, Europe Without Barriers, Ukraine

Speakers:
• Jacek Cieplak – Deputy of the Ombudsman, Office of the Ombudsman for the Small and Medium-size Entrepreneurships, Poland
• Marek Cierpial-Wolan – Director, Statistical Office in Rzeszow, Poland
• Volodymyr Khymynets – Head of Western Branch, National Institute for Strategic Studies, Ukraine
• Wieslaw Krawczyk – President of the Board, Kerampol, Poland
• Robert Rogoz – Commander, Bieszczadzki Oddział Straży Granicznej, Poland
Investment Climate in Ukraine – New Opportunities or Same Old Problems?

Despite Kiev’s assurances of a “good investment climate”, Ukraine is still not an easy place to do business. Since 2014, a number of reforms have been carried out to improve the investment climate in Ukraine. However, unclear tax regulations, corruption or legal barriers continue to adversely affect the development of mutual cooperation. How to build a stable climate for investors?

Moderator:
- Marcin Prynda – President, Kapital Polski, Poland

Speakers:
- Maksym Ferents – Owner, Maksym Ferents Consulting, Poland
- Joanna Mularczyk – Trade Finance Sales Expert, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego, Poland
- Marcin Swiecicki – Business Ombudsman in Ukraine, Poland
- Dmytro Syrota – Managing Partner, SDM Partners, Ukraine
- Pawel Wuttke, CEO, Future Processing Ukraine, Ukraine
How to Fight Corruption?

It is not easy to establish strict rules governing the relations between the world of business and politics. The activities of oligarchic groups in the economy become a source of corruption. It is also an obstacle to fair competition and economic development. How to limit conflicts of interest between private business involvement and public interest? How to limit the influence of big business representatives on politicians' decisions?

Special guest:
- Mikheil Saakashvili – Leader of the Movement of New Forces-Ukraine, Former President of Georgia

Moderator:
- Bartlomiej Goduslawski – Journalist, Gazeta Prawna Daily, Poland

Speakers:
- Ernest Bejda – Head, Central Anticorruption Bureau, Poland
- Boris Guseletov – Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia
- Marcin Swiecicki – Business Ombudsman in Ukraine, Poland
- Mykola Vyhovsky – Head, Civic Movement "Chesno", Ukraine
- Leszek Wieciech – Advisor to the Board, Krajowy Instytut Kontroli Biznesowej, Poland
18:10 – 19:20 DISCUSSION PANEL

International Economic Cooperation: from Trade to Investments

Trade between Ukraine and the EU is on the increase. In the wake of the Free Trade Agreement, the number of Ukrainian exporters has doubled. What are the challenges facing European companies on the Ukrainian market and reversely? In terms of Ukraine’s economic infrastructure needs, will normalization of economic life, improvement of the investment climate, and implementation of European standards open up new opportunities for foreign investors?

Partner: PKO Bank Polski
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

Moderator:
• Jacek Piechota – President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Poland

Speakers:
• Mark Alexander Friedrich – Manager for International Affairs, METRO AG, Germany
• Zbigniew Gryglas – Undersecretary of State, Ministry of State Assets, Poland
• Anatoliy Kinakh – President, Ukrainian League of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, Ukraine
• Maks Kraczkowski – Vice-President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski, Poland
• Radoslaw Ostrowski – Managing Partner, AXELO Law and Tax for Business, Poland
• Mykhaylo Petrunyak – President, Hispanic-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce for Development, Spain
12:30–13:30  DISCUSSION PANEL

Agriculture – How to Successfully Compete with European Counterparts? Polish Success Story

Moderator:
- Andrzej Dycha – Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Management Board Advisor, Alior Bank, Poland

Speakers:
- Kazimierz Golojuch – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Marek Jurkiewicz – President of the Board, RzZD RES-DROB Sp. z o.o., Poland
- Krzysztof Maurer – Owner, Maurer Juice Extraction Plant, Poland
- Teresa Pamula – Director, Subcarpathian Regional Office of Agency for Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture, Poland
THEMATIC BLOCK

13:40–14:40

The Education of Tomorrow

As one of the major challenges facing state authorities, the education system should follow modern trends and meet the needs of the labor market. Panel participants will try to answer the question what actions should be taken by state authorities, educational institutions and the business world to support the development of a modern education system.

PRESENTATION

Socio-economic Phenomenons in the Cross-border Regions

Host:

• Marek Cierpial-Wolan, Director, Statistical Office in Rzeszow, Poland

DISCUSSION PANEL

The Education of Tomorrow

Moderator:

• Krystyna Wróblewska – The Sub-Carpathian Teacher Education Center, Poland

Speakers:

• Jan Draus – Professor, University of Rzeszow, Poland
• Stanislaw Kowalski – Rector, College of Economics and Computer Science in Cracow, Poland
• Jerzy Malec – Vice-Rector, Andrzej Frycz Modrzewski Krakow University, Poland
• Renata Rybacka – President, Victor 11, Poland
• Krystyna Szumilas – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
15:30–16:30  THEMATIC BLOCK

Chernobyl – Facts and Myths

– General information about the consequences of the disaster. Current situation.
– Tourism potential – the topic of Chernobyl is currently repeated in many films, series and computer games. How to fully use the potential of this place?

PRESENTATION

Documentary Stories About the Disaster and War in Virtual Reality

Host:
• Wojciech Pazdur - Creative Director, The Farm 51 Group S.A., Poland

DISCUSSION PANEL

Chernobyl – Facts and Myths

Moderator:
• Valentyn Voloshyn – Head of Board, Regional tourism organisation Zakarpattia

Speakers:
• Wojciech Pazdur – Creative Director, The Farm 51 Group S.A., Poland
• Gianfranco Tamburelli – Institute for International Legal Studies ISGI-CNR, Italy
• Oksana Taran – Communication Director, CHERNOBYL TOUR, Ukraine
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18:10–19:20 WORKSHOP

Startups for Export. How to Scale Technology Businesses Abroad?

During the workshop, we will answer questions: how to get financing for growth? Why scaling internationally? Why plan globally, but act locally? And what is the business etiquette?
12:30–13:30  THEMATIC BLOCK

Innovative Central Europe – Cooperation Opportunities

In order to avoid a peripheral development model, the economies of Central and Eastern Europe must strive to rapidly increase its innovativeness. Different strategies for supporting innovation have been adopted in different countries of the region, and the results of this policy are also different. What are the reasons for these differences, and why is one successful and not the other? Should the region draw inspiration from other parts of the world or look for its own model?

PRESENTATION

Eastern Partnership Programme – an Effective Tool for Mutual Development or Just a Declaration?

Host:

• Serhiy Shevchuk – Chairman, NGO Legislation Initiative "Ukraine-EU", Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Innovative Central Europe – Cooperation Opportunities

Moderator:
• Vladimir Karyagin – Chairman of the Presidium, Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship Development, Belarus

Speakers:
• Sergei Margulis – Lecturer, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Russia
• Jacek Rodzinka – Director of Commercial Development, Institute for Financial Research and Analysis, Poland
• Mariusz Strojny – Rector’s Proxy for Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland
• Michal Szaniawski – President, Polish Space Agency, Poland
Disinformation – A Tool of Chaos. How to Identify And Fight Fake News

Information consumers lose confidence in the media, because the information they provide is often provided with a more or less subtle commentary, data and statements taken out of context, or intentionally compiled. Publishing business is changing by adapting technological gains and participating in the race for priority and the "exclusive" label. Information attractively “wrapped”, with high “click-through” does not have to be real to sell well. And here comes the important question of whether the truth is also part of the truth, the interpretation of the fact, the statement containing the suggestion, etc. Fake news on the web is a growing problem today. Is it possible to fight this phenomenon effectively and how?

Partner: Internews Ukraine

Moderator:
• Jaroslaw Kinal – Plenipotentiary of a Vice-Rector of College of Humanities University of Rzeszow for Organization and International Cooperation, University of Rzeszow, Poland

Speakers:
• Andrzej Klimczak – Editor-in-Chief, Polish Journalists Association, Poland
• Łukasz Kondraciuk – Program Director, Eurasia, The International Republican Institute, USA
• Peter Kreko – Director, Political Capital Policy Research and Consulting Institute, Hungary
• Lubos Palata – EU Editor, Denik, Czech Republic
• Maksym Panchenko – Coordinator, Internews Ukraine, Ukraine
• Lusine Voskanyan – Programme Director, Union of Informed Citizens, Armenia
A Chance for the Carpathian Macroregion: Environment – Heritage – Society

Accelerating the development of the Carpathian macroregion requires deeper cooperation between neighboring countries in this area. We need to create a positive image of the macroregion and to broaden knowledge about it in the EU countries. Through education, student and scientific exchange we should also try to create a specific "Carpathian trend". How to protect heritage and the environment of this area? How to preserve the unique character of the Carpathian macroregion and how to ensure its sustainable development?

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Zakarpattia Region

Host:
• Oleksandr Bilak – Deputy Mayor, Uzhgorod City Council, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

A Chance for the Carpathian Macroregion: Environment – Heritage – Society

Moderator:
• Halyna Lytvyn – CEO, Euroregion Carpathians-Ukraine, Ukraine

Speakers:
• Sehrii Basarab – Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Council, Deputy Head, Ukraine
• Grzegorz Biedron – President, Malopolska Tourist Organisation, Poland
• Wojciech Buczak – Deputy Director for Investment Preparation, Podkarpackie Voivodeship Road Administration in Rzeszów, Poland
• Gheorghe Paul Szaniszlo – Superior Counsellor at International Relations Office, Maramures County Council, Romania
**18:10–19:20  THEMATIC BLOCK**

**Investments in Regions – a Key to National Development**

Investment in the regions can be a key to ensure the development of the whole country. To achieve this, it is essential that the system for implementing the European Funds is effectively managed and that regional development policy is properly programmed and coordinated. How to invest effectively in the regions? Is only balanced regional development a guarantee of success for the whole country?

**TALK**

**Local Product**

**Special guest:**
- Wieslaw Pioro – President of the Board, Health Resort Krynica-Żegiestów S.A., Poland

**Moderator:**
- Tomasz Kowalski – Editor-in-Chief, Sądeczanin.info
DISCUSSION PANEL

Investments in Regions – a Key to National Development

Moderator:
- Slawomir Majman – Vice-President, European Institute of Economic Development, Poland

Speakers:
- Oleksandr Bilak – Deputy Mayor, Uzhgorod City Council, Ukraine
- Kamil Bortniczuk – Secretary of State, Ministry of Funds and Regional Policy, Poland
- Serhiy Hemberg – Deputy Head, Rivne Regional State Administration, Ukraine
- Matija Posavec – County Prefect, Međimurje County, Croatia
- Krzysztof Slezak – Director, Industrial Development Agency JSC, Branch Office in Mielec Special Economic Zone EURO-PARK MIELEC, Poland
- Francesco Tufarelli – Director General of the Office for Regional Affairs and Autonomies, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department of Regional Affairs and Autonomies, Italy
Development Aid Projects as a Tool for Conducting Eastern Partnership Policy at Regional Level

Podkarpackie Voivodeship for several years has been involved in development cooperation in Eastern Partnership countries, that led to the implementation, together with Ukrainian partner, of numerous projects, which took part in the competition announced by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs "Poland assistance development board". They aim to increase security by increasing the operational capacity of the rescue services in Ukraine, in particular in mountainous areas. The panel will summarise the existing multi-annual cooperation and will create an opportunity to discuss new directions of cooperation and will also allow you to look at the multifaceted importance of development cooperation in the area of not only from the perspective of beneficiaries, but also from those providing this assistance to partners from Ukraine.

Moderator:
- Adam Glaczynski – Journalist, Polish Radio Rzeszów S.A., Poland

Speakers:
- Volodymyr Chernenkyi – Chief of the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Department, State Emergency Service, Ukraine
- Ewa Leniart – Voivode of Podkarpackie, Podkarpackie Voivodeship Office in Rzeszów, Poland
- Władysław Ortyl – Marshal, Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office, Poland
- Mykhaylo Rivis – Head, Transcarpathian Regional Council, Ukraine
- Dmytro Romanyuk – Deputy Head, Ukraine Ivano-Frankivsk Regional State Administration, Ukraine
- Krzysztof Szczurek – Naczelnik Grupy Bieszczadzkiej GOPR
Foreigners on our Labour Market as an Economic Development Accelerator

According to statistics, the number of employees from abroad is steadily increasing. This applies not only to the most developed countries, as thanks to migrants they have achieved a high level of development or maintain economic growth despite negative demographic trends. However, the presence of representatives of poorer countries in the labor market hampers the fight for wage increases for trade unions. Can these two conflicting tendencies be reconciled?

PRESENTATION

The employee from Ukraine – wages in Poland

Host:
- Andrzej Korkus – President of the Board, EWL S.A., Poland
- Mariya Kuzenko – Head of Legalization, EWL S.A., Poland
DISCUSSION PANEL

Foreigners on our Labour Market as an Economic Development Accelerator

Moderator:
- **Myroslava Keryk** – President of the Board, Our Choice Foundation, Ukraine

Speakers:
- **Andrzej Korkus** – President of the Board, EWL S.A., Poland
- **Andrzej Drozd** – Vice-President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Poland
- **Natalia Nemylivska** – Director of the Economic Committee, Ukrainian World Congress (UWC), Ukraine
- **Beata Pankowska-Lier** – Lawyer, Rödl & Partners, Ukraine, Germany
- **Miroslaw Przewoznik** – Associate Director of the Department for Labour Market, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland
- **Karolina Schiffter** – Partner, PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter Sp.j., Poland

Commentator:
- **Kateryna Ardanian** – Specialist, International Organization for Migration, Ukraine
- **Rafał Grabowski** – President, Foundation of Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation “U-WORK”, Poland
The Role of Regions and Cities in the Building of Mutual Relations

Close cooperation and good neighbourly relations are in the interest of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. Joint and coordinated actions are especially important for the border regions. Their involvement in cross-border projects, exchange of ideas and experiences significantly influence the development of these areas, and also increase the investment attractiveness. Which factors help and which ones complicate the cross-border cooperation?

PRESENTATION

Economic Development Project "Ukraine 2030"

Host:
- Nina Chala – Professor, National University of "Kiev-Mohyla Academy", Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

The Role of Regions and Cities in the Building of Mutual Relations

Moderator:
- Vasyl Abaimov – Executive Director, Association of Ukrainian Cities Lviv Regional Branch, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Tadeusz Chrzan – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Emilio D’Alessio – Spokesperson, Italian Local Agenda 21 Association, Italy
- Attila Kiss – Mayor, City of Hajduboszormeny, Hungary
- Krzysztof Zuk – Mayor, City of Lublin, Poland
The Effects of Foreign Investments on the Society and Economy. Benefits and Dangers

The new Ukrainian government has announced accelerating investments. In the previous years, ownership transformations were accompanied by chaos and lack of transparency. In addition, state property often went directly to oligarchs. However, is it possible to state that together with the new authorities, past problems such as oligarchization of economy, corruption, and weakness of legal system as well as the macro-economic instability and danger of resumption of war in the eastern part of the country? Or maybe foreign investment and privatization do have only positive sides?

TALK

The Effects of Foreign Investments on the Society and Economy. Benefits and Dangers

Special guest:
  • Grzegorz W. Kolodko – Professor, Leon Kozminski Academy, Poland

Host:
  • Tomasz Pietryga – Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland
DISCUSSION PANEL

The Effects of Foreign Investments on the Society and Economy. Benefits and Dangers

Moderator:
• Hlib Vyshlinsky – Executive Director, Centre for Economic Strategy, Ukraine

Speakers:
• Adrian Branny – Partner, Schneider Group, Germany
• Vladislav Inozemtsev – Founder and Director, Centre for Post-Industrial Studies, Russia
• Grzegorz W. Kolodko – Professor, Leon Kozminski Academy, Poland
• Yaroslav Romanchuk – President, Ukrainian Business Association in Poland, Ukraine
• Fabrizio Zucca – Bocconi University, Italy
Regional Military Cooperation as a Tool for the Strengthening of National Security

‘Strength in numbers.’ This century-old saying seems to be immortal, especially with regards to defence and security-related issues. Just like in the medieval times, states are now keen to tighten military cooperation with their regional allies in order to boost their defensive capabilities. Joint exercises, foreign contingents, multinational divisions – does their existence have a genuine influence on state security?

PRESENTATION

Presentation of LITPOLUKRBRIG

Host:

DISCUSSION PANEL

Regional Military Cooperation as a Tool for the Strengthening of National Security

Moderator:
- Anton Mikhnenko – Editor-in-Chief, Defence Express, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Dmytro Chupryna – Deputy Director, Airwars, United Kingdom
- Jacques Faure – Ambassador of France to Ukraine (2008-2011), France
- Tengiz Pkhaladze – Associated Professor, Georgian Institute of Public Affairs, Georgia
- Tomasz Siemoniak – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Raymond Wojcik – Director of the Warsaw Office, Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA), USA
Gas for Europe. The Consequences of Nord Stream 2. What Will the LNG Revolution Bring?

It is common knowledge that Gazprom – the biggest Russian company delivering gas to Europe – is a tool of Kremlin’s foreign policy. It raises reasonable concerns from countries dependent on Russian gas supplies. What measures should be taken by countries feeling themselves threatened by dominating the Russian supplier? Can LNG supplies and investing in shale gas create a viable alternative?

PRESENTATION

Ukrainian-Polish Natural Gas Trading Platform

Host:
- Mykola Voytiv – Head of Energy Projects, NGO New Generation Management, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Gas for Europe. The Consequences of Nord Stream 2. What Will the LNG Revolution Bring?

Moderator:
• Mariusz Ruszel – Vice-Dean for Development and Cooperation with Industry, Rzeszow University of Technology, Poland

Speakers:
• Lukasz Antas – Managing Partner, Esperis, Poland
• Ole Gunnar Austvik – Professor, Inland Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway
• Mykhailo Gonchar – President, Center for Global Studies "Strategy XXI", Ukraine
• Volodymyr Omelchenko – Director, Energy Programmes, Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine
• Torsten Woellert – Team Leader Energy and Environment, Support Group for Ukraine, European Commission, Germany
THEMATIC BLOCK

Transformation of the Ukrainian Donbass. From War to Peace

Rebuilding the Donbass has again become a current topic of discussion not only in Ukraine. Investment plans are being made, talks are ongoing about the political future of the region and the reduction of tension on the ceasefire line. The economic potential of this area is of great importance for Ukraine. What is the ‘tomorrow’ of Donbass? What are the consequences of the attempts currently being made to resume the peace process and restore normal life? Are there any chances to find a solution that will satisfy everyone?

PRESENTATION

Donbas Conflict Resolution: Progress Report and a Way Forward

Host:
- Mykhailo Pashkov – Co-Director, Foreign Relations and International Security Programmes, Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Transformation of the Ukrainian Donbass. From War to Peace

Moderator:
- Yaroslav Zhalilo – First Vice-Director, National Institute for Strategic Studies, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Maurizio Aronica – Bologna Centre Ambassador, Italian Federation of UNESCO Clubs and Centres, Italy
- Aleksander Hug – Consultant on Security Issues & Conflict Management, – --, The Netherlands
- Volodymyr Lahuta – Chairman of the Veterans Council, Ministry for Veterans Affairs, Temporarily Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons of Ukraine
- Jock Mendoza-Wilson – Director of International and Investor Relations, System Capital Management, Ukraine
- Olena Snihova – Senior Researcher, Associate Professor, National Academy of Science, Ukraine

19:30 AWARDS CEREMONY

„Arso Ensemble” – musicians of the Symphony Orchestra of the Podkarpacka Philharmonic – will give splendor to the ceremony

Podkarpackie Region – Organizer of the concert
International Cultural Cooperation as a Mean of National and Regional Development

Creativity and artistic message are an important part of international dialogue between cultures and nations, a tool to learn about each other and build mutual acceptance. The cultural heritage of border areas has an important place in this dialogue, and the intensity of this cooperation not only affects the development and sense of identity of the inhabitants of these areas, but also builds relations between countries. What is the role of mass media, scientific and cultural organizations in this process? What do we owe to initiatives such as festivals and other grassroots movements?

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Rivne Region

Host:
- Serhiy Hemberg – Deputy Head, Rivne Regional State Administration, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

International Cultural Cooperation as a Mean of National and Regional Development

Moderator:
- Leonid Bytsyura – Deputy Mayor, Ternopil City Council, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Staffan Forssell – Director General, Swedish Arts Council, Sweden
- Jan Nowara – General and Artistic Director, Wanda Siemaszkowa Theatre in Rzeszow, Poland
- Anna Stroz-Pawlowska – Director, The Ulma Family Museum of Poles Saving Jews in World War II, Poland
- Marta Wierzbieniec – Director, Filharmonia Podkarpacka, Poland

Commentator:
- Vasyl Brenzovych – President, Cultural Association of Hungarians in Sub-Carpathia, Ukraine
The Long Shadow of Propaganda – Information War with Ukraine and the West

The Russian propaganda directed at western recipients often openly reveals its intentions, spreading falsehood, supporting extreme views, undermining democracy and international order based on trust in law and earlier commitments. How to fight lies emanating from the Kremlin? How to counteract the Russian propaganda in countries where 1/3 of the population speak the Russian language? How to get through to Russian people with a democratic and civic message?

Moderator:
- Yurii Lapaiev – Deputy Editor-in-Chief, The Ukrainian Week magazine, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Jan Dziedziczak – Government Plenipotentiary for the Polish Diaspora and Poles Abroad, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- Pablo Gonzalez – Journalist, Spain
- Maria Serena Natale – Journalist, Corriere della Sera, Italy
- David Svoboda – Historian, The Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes, Czech Republic
- Cécile Vaissié – Professor – Head of Russian Studies Department, Rennes 2 University, France

Commentator:
- Yaroslav Kholodov – Head, NGO "Our Way", Ukraine
The Importance of Education in Building Modern Europe

Education is currently one of the priority issues and challenges facing the authorities of European countries. The future of our society depends on the quality of education systems and the level of education. It is also important, as in other areas, to progress and follow contemporary trends and changes in the labor market. What can European countries as well as educational institutions and the business world do to develop modern education for young people so that they can build the best future for our continent?

PRESENTATION

Transparent labor migration is one of the key factors for economic growth of Poland and the EU

Moderator:
  - Dariusz Materniak – Editor-in-Chief, Polukr.net, Poland

Speakers:
  - Andrzej Korkus – President of the Board, EWL S.A., Poland
DISCUSSION PANEL

The Importance of Education in Building Modern Europe

Moderator:
- Oleg Vostrykh – President, Foundation "High School of Professional Politics", Ukraine

Speakers:
- Anatoliy Drabovskiy – Deputy, Supreme Council, Ukraine
- Pawel Grata – Vice-Rector, Dean of the Faculty of Sociology and History, University of Rzeszow, Poland
- Stefan Henkel – Ukraine Coordinator, European University Viadrina, Germany
- Lubomyra Mandziy – Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, Ukraine
- Jerzy Woźniacki – President, Professor, Lider of the Polish-Ukrainian Project, Polish Rectors Foundation, Poland
Active Youth = Developed Society

Young people are the driving force of social changes. Creativity and openness to new initiatives gives the opportunity for a young generation to create and introduce ideas that change their cities and regions. In Ukraine, as well as throughout Europe, young people are setting up startups, creating cultural events, forming NGOs. How can their vision of the future affect the daily lives of their cities, regions, states? How can the younger generation be encouraged to work together to create social projects?

Moderator:  
- Krzysztof Gawkowski – Deputy, Sejm, Poland

Speakers:
- Uladzimir Kobets – Executive Director, iSANS – The International Strategic Action Network for Security, Belarus
- Miroslaw Moldoch – Coordinator, Polski Czerwony Krzyż, Poland
- Andriy Romanchuk – Partner, International Legal Center "EUCON", Ukraine
- Marcel Roethig – Director, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Kiev Office, Germany
- Bozena Sowa – Vice-Rector General Affairs, University of Law and Administration in Rzeszow, Poland
- Krzysztof Stanowski – Director of International Cooperation Center, City of Lublin, Poland

Commentator:
- Bogusław Kotarba – Assistant Professor, University of Rzeszow, Poland
09:00–10:10  PLENARY SESSION

Summing Up 30 Years of Freedom in Central and Eastern European States

The years 1989-1991 marked a breakthrough for many countries of Central and Eastern Europe which regained their sovereignty and carried out democratic and economic reforms. The majority of them were integrated into the Western supranational structures, i.e. the EU and NATO. But the balance sheet of the 30 years of freedom in this part of the world remains ambiguous, namely due to the crisis of liberal democracy, the revival of nationalism, social pauperization, peripheral development, etc. Are these challenges surmountable and how does Ukraine position itself against this background?

Moderator:
- Gianluigi Donelli – Editor in Chief, Radio 24 Il Sole 24 Ore, Italy

Speakers:
- Gordana Comic – Deputy Speaker, National Assembly, Serbia
- Victor Erofeev – Writer, Russia
- Anatoliy Kinakh – President, Ukrainian League of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, Ukraine
- Dietmar Stuedemann – Former Ambassador, Member of Supervisory Board, German Foreign Ministry, Deutsche Bank, Germany
- Ryszard Terlecki – Deputy Speaker, Sejm, Poland
How to Remove Barriers Obstructing International Economic Cooperation?

Thanks to the entry into force of the free trade agreement between Ukraine and the EU, there has been a gradual but steady increase in the level of turnover between the parties. Both Kiev and Brussels have reduced tariffs on most of goods. Polish consumers and producers are already benefiting from it. But there are still many barriers that significantly hinder both trade and broadly understood economic cooperation. How will the stabilization of the Ukrainian economy affect Polish-Ukrainian trade? How to remove barriers encountered by Poles on the Ukrainian market and Ukrainians on the Polish?

**Moderator:**
- **Dariusz Szymczycha** – Member of Chamber of the Council, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Poland

**Speakers:**
- **Adam Abramowicz** – Ombudsman for the Small and Medium-size Entrepreneurships, Office of the Ombudsman for the Small and Medium-size Entrepreneurships, Poland
- **Andrii Doroshin** – Director, Ukrainian National Importers Association, Ukraine
- **Zenon Danilowski** – President of the Management Board, Makarony Polskie S.A., Poland
- **Krzysztof Kasztelewicz** – Member of the Management Board, Sadecki Bartnik Sp. z o.o, Poland
- **Jacek Szugajew** – First Vice-President of the Management Board, Kredobank, Ukraine
11:40–12:40  THEMATIC BLOCK

**Energy Security: Markets, Politics, Technology**

The energy security issue constantly concerns a lot of European countries. It depends on the operation of markets, technological advances, but also more often on politics. The countries of Central and Eastern Europe whose depend on Russian suppliers and partners, are particularly striving for security of energy supply. Ukraine sees its energy security in cooperation with the EU wishing to preserve its transit state status. How does this process run? What is the role played by Poland, Ukraine and the EU in this specific issue?

**PRESENTATION**

**Hydrogen Technologies: Directions for Investments in Ukraine**

**Host:**
- Oleksandr Riepkin – President, Energy Association Ukrainian Hydrogen Council, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Energy Security: Markets, Politics, Technology

Moderator:
- Maksym Bilyavskiy – Expert, Energy Programmes, Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Miroslaw Bielinski – CEO, Stilo Energy SA, Poland
- Werner Diwald – Chairman of the Board, German Hydrogen and Fuel-Cell Association (DWV), Germany
- Michal Kornasiewicz – Managing Partner, Dziedzic Kowalski Kornasiewicz and Partners Law Firm, Poland
- Attila Nyikos – Vice-President for International Affairs, Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority, Hungary
- Waldemar Szumny – Vice-Chairman, City Council of Rzeszów, Poland

Commentator:
- Oleksandr Nykonenko – Adviser to the President, Energoatom (National Nuclear Energy Generating Company of Ukraine), Ukraine
12:50–14:00 DISCUSSION PANEL

Is Ukrainian Agriculture a Challenge for Europe?

One of the effects of the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the EU is the relatively rapid opening of the European market for Ukrainian agricultural production. Heavily neglected over the past decades, Ukrainian agriculture is becoming more efficient and has gained a chance for development. The announced release of agricultural land turnover will also support this. What is the potential of Ukrainian agriculture today? What are the chances of success of international investment projects in the agricultural sector?

Moderator:
- Andrzej Dycha – Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Management Board Advisor, Alior Bank, Poland

Speakers:
- Diana Barynova – Chairman of the Board, Polish-Ukrainian Agrarian Association, Ukraine
- Per Brodersen – Director, German Agribusiness Alliance at German Eastern Business Association, Germany
- Mieczyslaw Kasprzak – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Paweł Krajmas – President, Association of Polish Organic Food Processors and Producers „Polska Ekologia”, Poland
- Olha Trofimtseva – President, Ukrainian Agricultural and Food Platform, Ukraine
From Intermarium to the Three Seas Initiative. Will Ukraine Be Sidelined?

The Three Seas Initiative, which is a forum of 12 countries between the Baltic, Adriatic and Black Sea, has a development perspective. First of all, there is a need for better cooperation between these countries in matters of transport and energy. But Ukraine, which is also interested in this kind of cooperation, is not invited to participate in it. Does the Three Seas project mean crossing out the strategic concept of Intermarium? What needs to be done to include Ukraine and other countries located in the Intermarium area in multilateral cooperation?

Moderator:
- Laszlo Vasa – Chief Advisor, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary

Speakers:
- Andrzej Bonusiak – Professor, Director of the History Institute, University of Rzeszow, Poland
- Sergiy Gerasymchuk – Deputy Chairman of the Board, Head of the South-Eastern Europe Studies, Ukrainian Prism (Foreign Policy Council), Ukraine
- Wojciech Gizicki – Associate Professor, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland
- Andrey Okara – Director, Centre for Eastern European Studies, Russia
- Janusz Onyszkiewicz – Chairman of the Council, Euro-Atlantic Association, Poland
- Ihor Stukalenko – Head for energy Programmes, center for Global studies „strategy XXi”, ukraine
16:10–17:10 THEMATIC BLOCK

Eastern Partnership: New Ideas for a New Reality

The year 2020 is expected to bring a breakthrough in the Eastern Partnership policy. That is especially important for the states covered by the Programme, which are implementing the association agreements and building a deeper free trade area with the EU. However, the program needs to be reviewed and changed. How is the Eastern Partnership assessed in EU member States and in partner countries? Will the renewal of the Eastern Partnership find sufficiently strong support among EU members? What will be its future and do we have any alternatives?

PRESENTATION

Eastern Partnership 2030 Trends

Host:
- Wojciech Przybylski – Editor-in-Chief, Visegrad Insight, Poland

DISCUSSION PANEL

Eastern Partnership: New Ideas for a New Reality

Moderator:
- Ireneusz Bil – Executive Director, Amicus Europae Foundation, Poland

Speakers:
- Karin Anderman – Diplomat, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Sweden
- Ruth Ferrero-Turrion – Professor, Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
- Hans-Jurgen Heimsoeth – Special Representative for the Eastern Partnership, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
- Markiyan Malskyy – Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine
- Jan Truszczynski – Lecturer, Vistula University, Poland

Commentator:
- Piotr Koscinski – Assistant Professor, Vistula University, Poland
- Beata Piskorska – Associate Professor, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland
Upgrading Transport Infrastructure as a Way to Accelerate Economic Development

Recent years have highlighted the need to expand and modernise transport infrastructure in Central and Eastern Europe. Many road and rail projects are already under construction. Coordination of efforts at the inter-state and inter-regional level is improving. The infrastructure projects of the Three Seas Initiative and the New Silk Road are becoming more and more concrete. Will the countries of Central and Eastern Europe manage to catch up with Western Europe in the development of infrastructure?

PRESENTATION

17+1: New Possibilities and Challenges for Ukraine

Host:
• Ruslan Kulyk – Director, NGO “European Strategy of Ternopil Region”, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

Upgrading Transport Infrastructure as a Way to Accelerate Economic Development

Moderator:
• Bogdan Rzonca – Deputy, European Parliament, Poland

Speakers:
• Adam Hamryszczak – President of the Board, "Rzeszów-Jasionka" Airport Ltd., Poland
• Władysław Ortyl – Marshal, Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office, Poland
• Yaroslav Romanchuk – President, Ukrainian Business Association in Poland, Ukraine
• Rafał Weber – Secretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure, Poland
• Stanislaw Zmijan – Former Deputy (2001-2019), Sejm, Poland
10:20–10:30  THEMATIC BLOCK

Not Just "Vilnius 2020". Can Foreign Countries Effectively Support Reforms in Ukraine?

A high-level conference will be held in the capital of Lithuania in the summer of 2020 to support reforms in Ukraine. It is to increase the effectiveness of international assistance for the Ukrainian transformation. Countries of the region such as Lithuania and Poland want to play a special role in this process. Parliamentarians of both countries submitted the project "Ukraine 2027", which assumes acceleration of activities in the context of the upcoming presidencies of Poland and Lithuania in the EU Council?

DISCUSSION PANEL

Not Just "Vilnius 2020". Can Foreign Countries Effectively Support Reforms in Ukraine?

Moderator:  
• Mykola Siruk – First Deputy Chairman of the Expert Council, Center For Army, Conversion And Disarmament Studies, Ukraine

Speakers:  
• Ričardas Degutis – Ambassador at Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania  
• Georg Milbradt – Professor, Former Minister President of Saxony, Dresden University of Technology, Germany  
• Jerzy Miller – Former Adviser to the President and Ministers of Ukraine (2016-2019), Poland  
• Beata Surmacz – Director of the Central Europe Institute, Maria Curie Skłodowska University in Lublin, Poland  
• Rostyslav Tomenchuk – Chairman, Ukrainian Institute for International Politics, Ukraine
Enlargement of the European Union – Still Possible?

The long-term strategy for further enlargement of the EU is increasingly being undermined in leading Western European countries. The large EU Member States want to redefine the European project. In the face of these trends, will the European Union ever again be ready to welcome new Member States? Why is this happening? Will there be an opportunity, and when, to start again discussions on the enlargement of the EU to include the Western Balkans and Eastern European countries?

Moderator:

- Brendan Donnelly – Director, Federal Trust for Education and Research, United Kingdom

Speakers:

- Gordana Comic – Deputy Speaker, National Assembly, Serbia
- Gianluigi Donelli – Editor in Chief, Radio 24 Il Sole 24 Ore, Italy
- Dirk Hazell – Leader, UK EPP, United Kingdom
- Zbigniew Krysiaek – Professor, President, Institute of Schuman’s Thought, Poland
- Dorin Popescu – President, Black Sea House Association, Romania
- Zbigniew Rau – Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Sejm, Poland
- Markiyan Lubkivskyi – Advisor to the Deputy Chairman, Supreme Council, Ukraine
THEMATIC BLOCK

The Unfinished Reform. A Debate on Ukrainian Local Self-Governments

Local government reform was crucial for achieving the success of transformation in post-communist countries. Since 2015 the reform of decentralization and strengthening of local governments in Ukraine has been carried out. How effective the changes are? What is the positive result of the reform, what are the threats? Do the new authorities in Kyiv really want continuing decentralization? How can the European Union and partner countries assist Ukraine to implement the reform and ensure its success?

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Ternopil City

Host:
- Sergii Nadal – Mayor, Ternopil City Council, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

The Unfinished Reform. A Debate on Ukrainian Local Self-Governments

Moderator:
- Adam Sauer – Program Director Ukraine, Solidarity Fund PL, Poland

Speakers:
- Ewa Draus – Deputy Marshal, Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office, Poland
- Ieva Kalnina – Team Leader of SKL International’s Support to Decentralisation in Ukraine, SKL International AB, Sweden
- Georg Milbradt – Professor, Former Minister President of Saxony, Dresden University of Technology, Germany
- Viktor Ovcharuk – Head, Ternopil Regional Council, Ukraine
- Anatolii Tkachuk – Director, Civil Society Institute, Ukraine
How Can the International Community Help End the Russian-Ukrainian Conflict?

Russia is consolidating its presence in the illegally annexed Crimea and in the part of Donbass occupied by its mercenaries. Attempts to revive the peace process using the Normandy format and the Minsk process after the change of power in Ukraine face serious obstacles. There is still no prospect of a satisfactory solution. What can the international community do in such a situation, what can Ukraine’s partners and friends do? Can the policy of unilateral concessions to the aggressor be avoided?

PRESENTATION

How to make sanctions against Russia effective?

Host:
- Yevhen Mahda – Executive Director, Institute of World Policy, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

How Can the International Community Help End the Russian-Ukrainian Conflict?

Moderator:
- Olena Babakova – Columnist, European Pravda, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Rafal Dzieciolowski – President of the Board, Solidarity Fund PL, Poland
- Gustav Gressel – European Council on Foreign Relations, Germany
- Grzegorz Napieralski – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Luca Steinmann – Geopolitical Analyst – Journalist, Limes, Italian Review of Geopolitics, Italy
- Borys Tarasyuk – Director, Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation, Ukraine
Association and Free Trade Agreement Between Ukraine and EU. Is a Win-win Strategy Possible?

The Government of Ukraine has announced a review of the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the EU, namely its economic part. Its conditions were established more than 10 years ago, and need to be modernised. But will the European Union agree to make amendments and the liberalisation of trade conditions?

Partner: European Pravda

Moderator:
- Yuriy Panchenko – Editor, European Pravda, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Oleg Dubish – First Vice-President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Ukraine
- Krystian Kogut – Director of International Cooperation, InterMarium LCC, Poland
- Olena Omelchenko – Partner, Head of International Trade Practice, Ilyashev & Partners, Ukraine
- Olha Trofimtseva – President, Ukrainian Agricultural and Food Platform, Ukraine
- Jan Zalubski – President of the Management Board, ZET Transport, Poland
Acceleration or Commotion? Taking Ukraine's Transformation to a New Level

The reform program presented in the autumn of 2019 by the new Ukrainian government looks impressive. The pace of preparation and adoption by the parliament of dozens of new laws changing the legal status in many areas of economic and social life is also rapid. The most important thing that has to be done is implementation of reforms and ensuring their success. However, the opposition, as well as some experts, remind about the lack of a structured strategy for transforming the country and chaotic legislation.

PRESENTATION

The First Steps of the New Government and Their Perception by Society

Host:
- Oleksiy Rozumnyi – Expert, Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

Acceleration or Commotion? Taking Ukraine's Transformation to a New Level

Moderator:
- Jan Pieklo – Assistant to W. Waszczykowski, MEP, European Parliament, Poland

Speakers:
- Oleksandr Doniy – Head, Center for the Study of Political Values, Ukraine
- Pawel Kowal – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
- Michal Lebduska – Analyst, Association for International Affairs – AMO, Czech Republic
- Hanne Severinsen – Member of Danish Parliament (1984-2007), Project Manager, Danish Helsinki Committee for Human Rights, Denmark
- Taras Stetskiv – Member, Non-governmental Organization "Center of Transformation of Ukraine", Ukraine
10:20–11:30  THEMATIC BLOCK

Partner: Cross-border Cooperation Programme Poland-Belarus-Ukraine 2014-2020

The Role of the Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Cross-border Cooperation Programme in the Development of Central and Eastern Europe

The PL-BY-UA Programme has been supporting economic and social development on the border of these three countries for 15 years thanks to grants i.a. for infrastructure, health care, tourism, cultural and natural heritage. What is the balance sheet for the 15th anniversary and what should be the future of the Programme? How can the border between Poland and Ukraine and Belarus not become an "iron curtain" but a source of "wealth in diversity", a place of intensive economic and interpersonal exchange? What does the creation of the TEN-T "Via Carpathia" international transport corridor mean for the Programme? What challenges does the Programme face in the context of global climate and environment threats?

PRESENTATION

Formerly and Currently the Cross-border Cooperation Programme Poland-Belarus-Ukraine

Host:
• Andrzej Slodki – Head of PL-BY-UA JTS, Center of European Projects, Poland
DISCUSSION PANEL

The Role of the Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Cross-border Cooperation Programme in the Development of Central and Eastern Europe

Moderator:
• Andrzej Slodki – Head of PL-BY-UA JTS, Center of European Projects, Poland

Speakers:
• Leszek Buller – Director, Center of European Projects, Poland
• Tadeusz Grabowski – Deputy Director, Roztocze National Park, Polska
• Bohdan Hud – Professor, Director of the Institute of European Integration, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine
• Olga Shvorak – Director, Volyn Oblast Business Support Fund, Ukraine
11:40–12:40 DISCUSSION PANEL

Citizen in the e-state. How to Professionally Build e-administration?

Digital technologies and abilities play a crucial role in the contemporary modern world. Due to their popularity they also force changes in the state administration, especially in the area of public services. It is now a goal of many Western nations to develop a ‘mobile state’ where every service is accessible through a smartphone. This creates a number of challenges for both citizens and the state administration. How to best prepare oneself for the arrival of e-state and e-administration?

Moderator:
- Dawid Osy sko – Journalist, Polish Radio Rzeszów S.A., Poland

Speakers:
- Adam Cichocki – CEO, BRAD Management Consulting Sp. z o.o., Poland
- Marcin Idychowski – Team Leader, PKO Bank Polski, Poland
- Maciej Kotok – CEO, Evertop, Poland
- Darti Malaj – Public Procurement Agency, Albania
- Tomas Matraia – CEO, The AdWisers, Italy
- Marek Zagorski – Minister, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland
12:50–14:00 DISCUSSION PANEL

Perspectives for Renewable Energy Development in Ukraine

The share of renewable energy production in Ukraine has raised by approx. 2.7 GW to a total of 4.9 GW in the period from 2018 to Q3 2019 alone. The highest growth rates are recorded by solar and wind energy. From 2020, however, the system will be converted from fixed feed-in tariffs to auctions for solar systems from 1 MW and wind turbines from 5 MW. What does this mean for the further development of renewable energies in Ukraine? What do market participants expect for the future? What is the future for renewable energy in Ukraine?

Partner: German-Ukrainian Forum

Moderator:
- Christian Schoenwiesner – Owner, Seraphim Power, Germany

Speakers:
- Valentyna Beliakova – Country Director, Tiu Canada, Country Director, Ukraine
- Matviy Hetman – Director, Stella Solar TOV, Ukraine
- Marcin Orkisz – President of the Board, Enevi S.A., Poland
- Michał Pajda – Assistant Professor, Oil and Gas Institute – National Research Institute, Poland
- Marek Pitula – President of the Board, Polish Biomethane association, Poland
14:50–16:00  THEMATIC BLOCK

Self-Government as an Engine of Economic Growth in Regions

Local authorities play an important role in the economic development of the country and region. They obtain and manage EU funding and funds from the central budget. They take decisions that directly translate into the prosperity of the inhabitants. How to effectively manage the region and ensure its dynamic development?

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Mostyska Industrial Park

Host:
- Oleg Dubish – First Vice-President, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Ukraine
- Serhii Storozhuk – Mayor, Mostyska Town Council, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

Self-Government as an Engine of Economic Growth in Regions

Moderator:
- Ryszard Kata – Head of the Institute, University of Rzeszow, Poland

Speakers:
- Stepan Barna – Deputy, Ternopil Regional Council, Ukraine
- Ivan Bosnjak – State Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Local Self Government, Serbia
- Jerzy Cyprys – Deputy Chairman, Podkarpackie Voivodeship Council, Poland
- Zbigniew Wojciechowski – Deputy Marshal, Lubelskie Region’s Marshal’s Office, Poland
- Iryna Vakhovych – Head of the Volyn Regional Council, Ukraine
How to Encourage Visitors? Tourism as an Important Tool for Economic Development

Tourism is an important and rapidly developing branch of the economy and at the same time a great way to promote the country. Hotel infrastructure, recreation offer, communication accessibility and good advertising can convince tourists to come and spend their money. Each country has its own advantages, which can attract tourists. The professional approach to tourism activities is as important as beautiful landscapes and monuments.

PRESENTATION

Presentation of Truskavets City

H o s t:
• Ivan Tsehenko – Chairman of the Board, International Center "European Integration of Ukraine", Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

How to Encourage Visitors? Tourism as an Important Tool for Economic Development

Moderator:
• Marta Malska – Head of the Department of Tourism, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine

Speakers:
• Wojciech Bakun – Mayor, City of Przemysl, Poland
• Michal Cieslak – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
• Ramona Cosma – Counsellor at Tourism, Prefecture of Maramures County, Romania
• Andriy Kulchynskyi – Mayor, Truskavets City Council, Ukraine
• Yuriy Opanashchuk – President, Association of Hotels Union and Hotels, Ukraine
• Marek Rzasa – Deputy, Sejm, Poland

Commentator:
• Viktor Kushnirenko – Chairman of the Board, "Pidhirtsi Castle" Foundation, Ukraine
February 05

Investments and Development

17:20–18:20 DISCUSSION PANEL

How to Effectively Manage a City and a Region?

Effective regional management is not an easy process. Local authorities face various obstacles – from a lack of resources and staff to a lack of coherent development visions. Do local governments administer their regions effectively? How to improve the management of a modern city and region?

Moderator:
- Hubert Kotarski – Vice Dean of the College of Social Sciences, University of Rzeszow, Poland

Speakers:
- Zdzislaw Anton – District Governor, Lublin District, Poland
- Sergii Nadal – Mayor, Ternopil City Council, Ukraine
- Lucjusz Nadberezny – Mayor, City of Stalowa Wola, Poland
- Stanislaw Sienko – Deputy Mayor, City of Rzeszów, Poland
It was expected that the change of Kyiv’s government in 2019 would bring a substantial improvement in Polish-Ukrainian relations, which had been subjected to difficult tests in the last few years. Controversy in historical policy was the most difficult to overcome. Kyiv and Warsaw also demonstrated a growing distance towards each other on other issues. The visit of the new Ukrainian president to Warsaw and initiatives from both sides have awakened hopes for a revived relationship. Can we talk about their strategic nature?

Moderator:
• Tomasz Pietryga – Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:
• Wladyslaw T. Bartoszewski – Poland Sejm – Deputy
• Olena Kondratiuk – Deputy Chairman, Supreme Council, Ukraine
• Jan Malicki – Director, Centre for East European Studies, Warsaw University, Former Chairman of Polish-Ukrainian Forum for Partnership, Poland
• Ryszard Terlecki – Deputy Speaker, Sejm, Poland
• Taras Voznyak – General Director, Lviv National Art Gallery, Ukraine
The Law or Dictates of Superpowers? Prospects for Building the International Order

After Russian aggression on Georgia in 2008, and even more so after the annexation of Crimea and Moscow's open participation in the fighting in eastern Ukraine and the occupation of part of Donbas, the illusions that international law can be an effective tool for securing and restoring global order disappeared. However, is the world ruled by the "strongest" an acceptable alternative? Is the world irrevocably condemned to the "dictates of the powers" and the recidivism of the darkest pages of history?

PRESENTATION

Protection of Ukrainian Political Prisoner's Rights

Moderator:
• Andrii Kovalenko – Editor-in-Chief, Depo.ua, Ukraine

Speakers:
• Yurii Bilous – Lawyer, International Research Center of Security Problems, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

The Law or Dictates of Superpowers? Prospects for Building the International Order

Moderator:
- Andrii Kovalenko – Editor-in-Chief, Depo.ua, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Quincy Cloet – Managing Editor, Visegrad Insight, Belgium
- Krzysztof Eckhardt – Head of the Department of Constitutional Law and International Relations, University of Law and Administration in Rzeszow, Poland
- Ilya Ponomarev – CEO, Trident Acquisitions, Russia
- Kateryna Smaglii – Head of International Cooperation Center, Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine, MFA of Ukraine, Ukraine
- Dietmar Stuedemann – Former Ambassador, Member of Supervisory Board, German Foreign Ministry, Deutsche Bank, Germany
- Pawel Zalewski – Owner, Pawel Zalewski Consulting, Poland
Central and Eastern Europe in the Face of the Transatlantic Controversies

European policymakers are increasingly asking themselves the question of the sustainability and the future of the transatlantic partnership between the United States and Western Europe. It’s not about common differences of views any more, but about essential issues within the economic sphere and security policy. Central and Eastern European countries, which have to confront the situation somewhat against their will, find it hard to navigate through this stormy weather.

PRESENTATION

How Can the Tension between USA and Iran Influence the European Security?

Host:
- Oleksandr Mishyn – Co-Founder, Center for African Studies, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Central and Eastern Europe in the Face of the Transatlantic Controversies

Moderator:
- **Sandor Ackermann** – Analyst, Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary

Speakers:
- **Vitalii Martyniuk** – Executive Director, Center for Global Studies "Strategy XXI", Ukraine
- **Yaroslav Matiychyk** – Executive Director, Strategic and Security Studies Group, Ukraine
- **Olevs Nikers** – President, Baltic Security Foundation, Latvia
- **Darren Spinck** – Managing Partner, Global Strategic Communications Group, USA
- **Maciej Szymanowski** – Director, Waclaw Felczak Polish-Hungarian Institute, Poland
- **Andreas Umland** – Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation, Ukraine
14:50–16:00

Militarization of Crimea and the Security in the Black Sea Region

The Black Sea region, where important transport and trade routes intersect, is of crucial importance for Europe and for the overall security architecture of the Euro-Atlantic region. Since the annexation of Crimea, Russia has been increasing its presence and military capabilities in the peninsula. How does its actions affect the fragile stability of the region? How should the states of the region and NATO react and respond to these actions? Are we inevitably threatened by a Black Sea arms race?

Partner: Center for Army, Conversion and Disarmament Studies

Moderator:
- Mykhailo Samus – Deputy Director for International Affairs, Center for Army,Conversion and Disarmament Studies, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Oleksandr Biletskyi – Chairman, Ukrainian Military Guard, Ukraine
- Andrzej Gil – Professor, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland
- Leonela Leca – Co-Founder, The Experts for Security and Global Affairs Association (ESGA), Romania
- Otto Tabuns – Director, Baltic Security Foundation, Latvia
- Nedim Useinov – Member of Executive Committee, World Congress of Crimean Tatars, Ukraine
- Gela Vasadze – Political Analyst, Georgia-Caucasus Strategic Studies Institute, Georgia
Ukraine and the Security Dilemma on NATO's Eastern Flank

In recent years NATO's attention has been mainly concentrated on its eastern flank, especially on Ukraine, due to the need to reduce the impact of Russian aggression. For Ukraine, NATO membership seems indispensable, but does NATO really need Ukraine? What are the barriers to joining this country to the alliance and how to overcome them? Is there any alternative to Ukraine's membership in NATO?

PRESENTATION

„Peace” in the Middle East in the Russian understanding and attempts to copy it in Ukraine

Host:
- Natalia Tymoshenko – Deputy Head of Department, Legislative Initiatives: Ukraine-EU, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Ukraine and the Security Dilemma on NATO's Eastern Flank

Moderator:
• Marek Ziolkowski – Ambassador, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

Speakers:
• Oksana Yurynets – Deputy (of 8th convocation), Supreme Council, Ukraine
• Bjorn Olav Knutsen – Chief Researcher, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI), Norway
• Oleksandr Korenkov – Director, International Research Center of Security Problems, Ukraine
• Pawel Poncyljusz – Deputy, Sejm, Poland
• Lukas Sobieszek – Section Officer, THE GRAND HETMAN KOSTIANTYN OSTROGSKI LITHUANIAN-POLISH-UKRAINIAN BRIGADE, Poland
• Mark Voyger – Visiting Scholar, Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement, USA
17:20–18:10  DISCUSSION PANEL

Innovations vs Investment Attractiveness

More innovative economies naturally attract more FDI. Is this truth reflected in the economic reality of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe?

Moderator:
• Katharina Arnold Rokita – Founder & CEO, Kaliber Services, Germany

Speakers:
• Stanislaw Kruczek – Member of the Board, Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office, Poland
• Bartosz Majewski – Director of the Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer, SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland
• Maciej Maslowski – University of Rzeszow, Poland
• Ruslan Sobol – Head, Association of Small and Medium Enterprises, Ukraine
• Andrii Zablovskyi – Head of the Secretariat of Entrepreneurs Council, Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, Ukraine

18:30  AWARDS CEREMONY

Academic Folk Music Group „Vizerunok” from the Tarnopol Region
Caring for the Environment – A Project Beyond Borders

One of the challenges facing the European community is to take care of the environment damaged by human activities. As part of international remedial programmes, there are promoted activities for water and air protection, as well as rational waste management. What specific activities have already been undertaken to implement the idea of an environmentally friendly economy? What can be undertaken in the future? What should be done to improve cooperation in this field between the EU countries and their eastern neighbours?

PRESENTATION

A Million Trees for the Country

Host:

- Igor Dobrutskyi – Owner, Dobropark, Ukraine
DISCUSSION PANEL

Caring for the Environment – A Project Beyond Borders

Partner: CREAF

Moderator:
• Enrique Doblas Miranda – CREAF, Spain

Speakers:
• Kateryna Markevych – Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine

• Szilvia Meszaros – International Relations Director, Blue Planet Climate Protection Foundation, Hungary

• Jerzy Sadel – Nadleśnictwo Kłobuck, Poland

• Pawel Salek – Adviser to the President of the Republic of Poland, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

• Valentyn Voloshyn – Deputy Director, Agency of Regional Development and Cross Border Co-operation "Zakarpattya", Ukraine
Healthcare – The Platform for Cooperation Between Poland and Ukraine

Ukraine wants a healthcare system which will be based on assumptions adopted by Western countries many years ago. In theory, the constitution provides every citizen of Ukraine the rights to health protection and free healthcare. In practice, the average citizen receives low-quality assistance, the medical staff is poorly paid and the actual access to many services is available after making informal payments. Will the healthcare reform which was initiated last year lead to real changes? What has already changed? Is the reform of the system going in the right direction?

Moderator:
- Olga Santarovich – Deputy Editor, Delovaya Stolitsa, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Ihor Guschuk – Head of the Department for Public Health, National University "Ostroh Academy", Ukraine
- Iryna Melnyk – Chief of the Emergency Department, Lviv Clinical Emergency Care Hospital, Ukraine
- Malgorzata Poplawska – Director, Krakowskie Pogotowie Ratunkowe, Poland
- Marian Sarakhman – Chairman, Lviv Ophthalmological Center, Ukraine
- Artur Zaczynski – Medical Affairs Deputy Director, Central Clinical Hospital Ministry of the Interior and Administration in Warsaw, Poland
Shaping the Future – Strengthening the Bonds. Youth Cooperation in Europe

The younger generation of European citizens can overcome stereotypes and prejudices that have existed for generations. There are many programmes that improve cooperation between young people from different countries. European student exchange programs and the promotion of international cooperation of youth communities can serve as a good example of it. Projects between Poland and Germany, Germany and France, Ukraine and Poland are very successful. What can be done to improve their effectiveness?

Moderator:
- Diana Horbatiuk – Expert, Promin Ukraine, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Shorena Barbakadze – Associate Professor, Akaki Tsereteli State University, Georgia
- Roger Casale – General Secretary and CEO, New Europeans, United Kingdom
- Nataliya Evdokimova – Executive Secretary, St Petersburg Human Rights Council, Russia
- Pawel Trefler – Rector, The East European State University in Przemysl, Poland
- Igor Tsependa – Rector, Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, Ukraine
- Aleksandra Zapolska – Founder of the Foundation, Foundation Zustricz, Poland

Commentator:
- Michal Klimczyk – Chairman, Students’ Union of Rzeszow University of Technology, Poland
Women in Social, Political and Economic Life – Still Far From the Equality

The activity of women in business and politics in recent years has increased. According to the last researches in polish enterprises, about 34% of senior management teams are women. Despite the high result compared to the rest of Europe, management and government positions are still mostly occupied by men. What can be done to increase the role and presence of women in politics and business and guarantee equality in professional development?

PRESENTATION

Why Women’s Employment Rate is Important for the Economy?

Host:
- Dariia Mykhailyshyna – Economist, Centre for Economic Stategy, Ukraine

DISCUSSION PANEL

Women in Social, Political and Economic Life – Still Far From the Equality

Moderator:
- Ganna Krysyuk – Co-Owner, East West Mentor, Ukraine

Speakers:
- Ksenia Alpern – Owner, Director, Ksenia Coaching, Poland
- Katharina Arnold Rokita – Founder & CEO, Kaliber Services, Germany
- Alina Skomorokhova – General Director, Tin Impex Ltd, Ukraine
- Natalia Slobodian – Head of Analytics and International Studies Division, National Power Company "Ukrenergo", Ukraine

Commentator:
- Yuliia Vusenko – Deputy, Lutsk City Council, Ukraine
16:10–17:10 DISCUSSION PANEL

Independent Media. Do They Still Exist?

In a world of money, it is becoming increasingly difficult to stand out for independence. Journalists who belong to editorial offices with their political line are particularly difficult to work with. Independent journalism moves primarily to the internet, where anyone can publish on their website. Do independent media still exist? What role do public media play in European countries today, which should be the guardians of independence? Is independent journalism just citizen journalism?

Moderator:
- **Ryszard Pajura** – President of the Publishers Council, Local Newspapers Association, Poland

Speakers:
- **Marijan Opacak** – Editor-in-chief, Direktno.hr, Croatia
- **Jaromir Piskor** – Editor, polskodnes.cz, Czech Republic
- **Andrzej Ples** – Journalist, Nowiny Daily, Poland
- **Tetiana Rozvadovska** – Director, BusinessWoman Magazine, Ukraine
- **Patryk Salamon** – Editor-in-Chief, LoveKraków.pl, Poland
Culture as a Space For Dialogue Between Nations

How does a cultural heritage can affect neighbourly relations? What can we do to popularize – in an effective way – that, what is valuable in space of culture and art, considering present reality marked by an image and short message domination?

TALK

The Russian State Ideology: A Return to the Past?

Host:
- **Grzegorz Gauden** – Member of the Programme Council, Economic Forum, Poland

Guest:
- **Cécile Vaissié** – Head of Russian Studies Department, University of Rennes, France
DISCUSSION PANEL

Culture as a Space For Dialogue Between Nations

Moderator:
- **Grzegorz Gauden** – Member, Programme Council of the Economic Forum, Poland

Speakers:
- **Tetiana Lyshnevets** – Head of Program Department, Ukrainian Cultural Fund, Ukraine
- **Leszek Richter** – Member of the Board, Regional Coordinator of "Górodska Swoboda Regional Product", Local Circle of the Polish Cultural and Educational Association in Jabłonkow, Czech Republic
- **Bogdan Romaniuk** – Director, Museum of Cardinal Adam Kozłowiecki SJ, Poland
- **Krystian Rzemien** – Director, Local Government Cultural Centre in Nowa Dęba, Poland
- **Stanislaw Stepien** – Director, South-Eastern Research Institute, Poland
Abaimov Vasyl
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Executive Director
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His research field covers the political, economic and social developments of the post-Soviet region, mostly regarding Russia and Ukraine.

Alpern Ksenia
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Owner, Director
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Ksenia Alpern is a doctor of humanities, trainer and motivational speaker in career and business development, graduate of the PAFF Kirkland Program. Coaching is used by businessmen, social activists, artists and young leaders. Author of the book Believe Your Way about career development.
Antas Lukasz

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Expert on non-financial risk assessment for large infrastructure projects in gas and energy market. Over 15 years of experience in the provision of strategy consulting and business intelligence services for companies from gas and energy market.

Anton Zdzislaw

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District Governor
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A graduate of the AGH University of Science and Technology in Cracow and Georgetown University in Washington. Completed postgraduate managerial studies at the Lublin Business School. A local government official, former Lublin vice-voivode, former head of the Niedrzwica Duża commune, currently Lublin district governor.

Aronica Maurizio

Italy
Bologna Centre Ambassador
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He is considered a great expert in politics and international economics. He is part of important projects he himself designed, with a particular focus on Central Eastern Europe. He has made the “social” core business with the aim of helping the weakest.
**Austvik Ole Gunnar**

*Norway*

**Professor**

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Ole Gunnar Austvik. Professor Norway University – Lillehammer, appointed Senior Fellow John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. Author of numerous articles and books regarding International Political Economy, European Integration, Petroleum Economics. Web: www.oga.no.

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**City of Przemyśl**

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Associate Professor
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Associate Professor at Akaki Tsereteli State University. Founder and General Manager at International Language House.

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Ukraine
Deputy
Ternopil Regional Council

Till 2019 – head of Ternopil Regional State Administration, previously was a member of parliament.

Bednarski Marek

Poland
Executive Director
Bestmilk Sp. z o. o.
Bednarz Mariusz

Poland
President of the Board
Rzeszow Agency of Regional Development


Biedron Grzegorz

Poland
President
Malopolska Tourist Organisation

Local government member, since 2006 he has been the member of the Regional Assembly of the Małopolska Region where he presides over the Committee for Regional Development, Promotion and International Cooperation.

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Chairman to the Advisory Board
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Former Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, Chairman of the Economic Council to the Prime Minister Donald Tusk, President of the Management Board of Bank Pekao S. A.
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Poland
CEO
Stilo Energy SA


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Poland
Executive Director
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Director of the Aleksander Kwaśniewski Foundation Amicus Europae. The Foundation is active in the area of foreign policy and security, focusing on EU’s Eastern Neighborhood.

Bilyavskiy Maksym
Ukraine
Expert, Energy Programmes
Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies

Worked as a HR and PR director in the Ukrainian gas TSO. Has Ph. D in technical science, author of 17 patents and 100 scientific works in energy sector.
Bodo Elzbieta

Poland
Vice-President
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

From the beginning of her professional career associated with the issues of economic cooperation, as part of many years of work in government administration, in the ministries responsible for the economy. Ukraine's long-time friend. From 08/03/2018, Vice President of PUCC.

Bonusiak Andrzej

Poland
Professor, Director of the History Institute
University of Rzeszow

PhD – Professor of the University of Rzeszow, head of the Institute of History. He’s specializing in research in the field of recent history of Poland and Poles in the world, with particular emphasis on the Polish diaspora in Ukraine. Member of the Polish Community Association.

Borowski Mirosław

Poland
Vice-President
National Council of Agricultural Chambers

Vice-president of the National Council of Agricultural Chambers, Member of the Audit Committee of the Polish Federation of Cattle Breeders and Dairy Farmers, Member of the Commission managing the Polish Milk Promotion Fund. He is an active farmer dealing with dairy production in his family farm.
List of Speakers

Bortniczuk Kamil

Poland

Secretary of State
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Before joining SCHNEIDER GROUP, he was an associate in the tax department of Soltysiński Kawecki & Szelązak Legal Office and worked as a Tax Manager for Deloitte for more than 8 years. In addition, he was a World Bank consultant for corporate income tax in Poland. Graduate from Law Faculty, Warsaw University, where he also lectured in public finance and tax law.

Benzovych Vasyl

Ukraine

President
Cultural Association of Hungarians in Sub-Carpathia

President of the Cultural Alliance of Hungarians in Sub-Carpathia and President of “KMKS” Party of Hungarians of Ukraine.
Brodersen Per

Germany
Director of the Working Group on Agriculture
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M. A. in History, Political Science, Russian Studies (Humboldt U) Ph. D. in Modern History (Dusseldorf U) professional positions include ZEIT Foundation, Humboldt Foundation, Max Planck Society, German Institute for Economic Research (DIW) and German Eastern Business Association (Ost-Ausschuss)

Buczak Wojciech

Poland
Deputy Director for Investment Preparation
Podkarpackie Voivodeship Road Administration in Rzeszów


Buller Leszek

Poland
Director
Center of European Projects

PhD, acts also as a lecturer for the Institute of Sociology at the Cardinal Wyszyński University, where he developed the faculty of economy. Author and co-author of many scientific and popular science publications.
List of Speakers

Bytsyura Leonid

Ukraine
Deputy Mayor
Ternopil City Council

Deputy mayor of Ternopil City Council. Ukrainian economist, lawyer, public figure. Member of the National Union of Journalists of Ukraine (2010). Head of the Association of Cinema Commissions of Ukraine.

Casale Roger

United Kingdom
General Secretary and CEO
New Europeans

Roger is a senior Government Affairs consultant based in Brussels and London. He is a former MP and Parliamentary Private Secretary in the Foreign Office as well as founder of the award-winning civil rights organisation New Europeans. In 2017 he won the Financial Times Future of Britain Award.

Chala Nina

Ukraine
Professor
National University of „Kiev-Mohyla Academy”

Doctor of Science (Public Administration, Economic Policy), Professor, Departments of Marketing and Business Management, Faculty of Economics, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy.
Chernetskyi Volodymyr

Ukraine
Chief of the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Department
State Emergency Service

In 1997 he graduated from Lviv Fire and Technical School, specialty – fire-fighting equipment and safety, in 2004 he graduated from Lviv Institute of Fire Safety of the Ministry of Emergencies of Ukraine. From 03. 2010 chief of the Department of the SES of Ukraine in Ivano-Frankivsk region.

Chupryna Dmytro

United Kingdom
Deputy Director
Airwars

Based in London, Dmytro is responsible in particular for Airwars’ advocacy strategy, aimed at better protection of civilians in conflicts, including accountability and transparency of militaries for civilian harm. Previously, he has worked as a director for development in international charities.

Cichocki Adam

Poland
CEO
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An adviser specializing in long-term programs for increasing the value of human resources. He created and ran several institutions dealing with creating change leaders. He held high management positions in public administration and business.
Cierpial-Wolan Marek

Poland
Director
Statistical Office in Rzeszow

In 1999 he received a Ph. D. degree of economic sciences in the Warsaw School of Economics. Senior lecturer at the Institute of Economics and Finance of the University of Rzeszow. Author of over 80 national and international publications. Manager and expert of many research projects.

Cloet Quincy

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Visegrad Insight

Dr Quincy R. Cloet is Managing Editor for Visegrad Insight and a Project Researcher with the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights in Warsaw. He is a specialist of international organisation and holds a PhD from Aberystwyth University (Wales). In 2019, he was awarded the Arenberg European Prize.

Comic Gordana

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Deputy Speaker
National Assembly

MP since 2000, Deputy Speaker, Female Activist of the women’s movement and “Women’s Political Network” since 2000. Expert in EU integration and security matters.
Cyprys Jerzy

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Deputy Chairman
Podkarpackie Voivodeship Council

Politician, deputy chairman of the regional council, journalist, teacher, Voivodship Commander of Voluntary Labor Corps.

Czyzewski Robert

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Chairman of the Board
Fundacja Wolność i Demokracja

D’Alessio Emilio

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Spokesperson
Italian Local Agenda 21 Association

Architect, spatial planner, urban critic, sustainable development advisor, expert in EU policies. Former deputy mayor in the city of Ancona, Italy.
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Ambassador at Large
Ministry of Foreign Affairs


Diwald Werner

Germany

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German Hydrogen and Fuel-Cell Association (DWV)

Chairman of the Board of German Hydrogen and Fuel-Cell Association (DWV) e. V., spokesman of the think tank “performing energy” and a member of the Board of Hydrogen Europe. The DWV is the umbrella organization promoting hydrogen and fuel-cell technology in Germany.
Doblas Miranda Enrique

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CREAF

PhD in Biology, he studies global change effects on landscapes and on soils of forests and agro-ecosystems. He is involved in promoting research collaboration and networking, and in project development, coordination and evaluation. He is also interested in international cooperation.

Donelli Gianluigi

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Editor in Chief
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In charge for European information. Representative for Italy for EuranetPLus radio network of European information. For years at the foreign desk, he is a graduated in Foreign Affairs at Milano UNIMI.

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Ukrainian public and cultural activist, journalist, TV presenter. From 2007 till 2014 People's Deputy of Ukraine. Initiated and organized numerous Ukrainian patriotic art festivals. Currently Head of Center for the Study of Political Values and Art Association “Last Barricade”. Latest publications:
Donnelly Brendan

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Director
Federal Trust for Education and Research

Director of the Federal Trust think-tank since January 2003 and a former Member of the European Parliament (1994–1999). Formerly worked in the British Foreign Office and the European Commission. Writer of numerous articles on Britain’s place in the world, on federalism and Brexit.

Drabovskiy Anatoliy

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Deputy
Supreme Council

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Poland

Deputy Marshal
Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office

Polish sociologist, political scientist and local government official. She was a former Podkarpackie Voivode (2005–2007). Councilor of the Podkarpackie Sejmik for the 3rd term, since 2018 she has been Vice-Marshall Podkarpackie Voivodeship.
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**Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce**

He also coordinates the activities in frame of social campaign “Partnership and Employment”. He has many years of experience in the sphere of Polish-Ukrainian economic relations.

Dubish Oleg

**Ukraine**
**First Vice-President**
**Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce**

Dzieciolowski Rafal
Poland
President of the Board
Solidarity Fund PL

Historian, political scientist, journalist. President of the Solidarity Fund PL. Member of the Advisory Committee to the Presidents of Poland and Ukraine and the Polish-Ukrainian Partnership Forum.

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Poland
Head of the Department of Constitutional Law and International Relations
University of Law and Administration in Rzeszow

PhD habil., Head of the Department of Constitutional Law and International Relations, author of over 100 publications on the political system of the Republic of Poland and Ukraine.

Erofeev Victor
Russia
Writer

Russian writer and commentator. Author of novels “Russian Beauty”, “The Last Judgement” and collection of essays “Life with an Idiot”.

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St Petersburg Human Rights Council

Member of Legislative Assembly of Saint-Petersburg (1994-2007). Member of Committee of Social Cohesion, Chamber of Regions, Council of Europe (2000 – 2007). Executive Secretary of St. Petersburg Human Rights Council (since 2007). Member of the presidential Council for civil society and human rights.

Faure Jacques

France
Ambassador of France to Ukraine (2008-2011)

A French diplomat (ret.) His past assignments include Head of Observers’ Mission for the Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights at OSCE, Ambassador of France to Ukraine (2008-11) and Co-Chairman of the Minsk OSCE group for the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict.

Fedorenko Volodymyr

Ukraine
Deputy Head
Zhytomyr Regional State Administration

In 2014, graduated from higher educational establishment “University of Modern Knowledge” with a degree in Law. Former executive director of Barca LLC (Kyiv) and Solon LLC (Kyiv), former individual entrepreneur.
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Experienced international lawyer in the field of commercial law and contracts. As part of his business, he supervises and coordinates the activities of international teams of lawyers. Implements projects, among others in the field of business law, renewable energy and intellectual property.

Ferrero-Turrion Ruth

Spain
Professor
Complutense University of Madrid

European Studies Professor and expert in Eurasia. She has been working as Senior Policy Adviser at different Government institutions. She has been working on Eastern European issues (especially focus on the Balkans) since 1997 in areas such minority rights, national minorities and migration flows.

Forssell Staffan

Sweden
Director General
Swedish Arts Council

Staffan Forssell is the Director General of the Swedish Arts Council and has a 25 year career in the field of culture. Mr Forssell has held senior positions in most fields of culture, including music, theatre, dance, film, museums and literature.
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Manager for International Affairs
METRO AG

He represents the interests of METRO and its sales lines in 13 European and Asian countries. Earlier he worked at Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung in Hungary, Germany, and India as well as at the European Parliament and with Lufthansa. He studied European Studies and IR in Maastricht, Istanbul, and Budapest.

Gauden Grzegorz

Poland
Member
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Gawkowski Krzysztof

Poland
Deputy
Sejm

Member of the Polish Parliament and Chairman of the Left Parliamentary Club. Member of the parliamentary Commission for Digitization of Innovation and Modern Technologies. Doctor of humanities and academic lecturer specializing in state security and new technologies.
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**Ukraine**

_Deputy Chairman of the Board, Head of the South-Eastern Europe Studies_  
_Ukrainian Prism (Foreign Policy Council)_

Sergiy is involved in political studies since 2001 and has the experience of working for the Secretariat of the Parliament of Ukraine, research institutions under the President and under Security and Defense Council of Ukraine. His articles were published by Routledge and by Palgrave Macmillan.

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**Gizicki Wojciech**

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_Associate Professor_  
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**Glica Paweł**

**Polska**

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Deputy
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Member of the Polish Parliament (Sejm) of the fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth term. Master Degree in Engineering in Agricultural Mechanization, graduated from the Agricultural Academy in Kraków. Postgraduate studies in European Studies at the University of Rzeszów.

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Founder and President non-governmental think tank Centre for Global Studies „Strategy XXI“, Chief Editor “Black Sea Security” magazine, former advisor to the Secretary of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine and Deputy Chairman of the Board of TransNafta.

Gonzalez Pablo

Spain
Journalist

Journalist and political scientist specializing in international politics and military conflicts in the countries of the former USSR. Co-author of the book “Ukraine: from the Maydan Revolution to the Donbass War”.
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Poland
Deputy Speaker
Sejm

Member of the 6,7,8th term of the Sejm, Chair of Delegations to the Polish-Lithuanian and Polish-Georgian Parliamentary Assemblies, member of Delegation to the Polish-Ukrainian PA, former councillor of: the Bielany commune, the city of Warsaw, the Mazowieckie Assembly, former deputy mayor of the Ursus.

Grabowski Rafał

Poland
President of the Foundation
Foundation for Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation „U-WORK”

Last few years has been working in Krakow for the benefit of a multicultural society. A special field of activity of the Foundation is integration of migrants in Krakow, supporting them in everyday problems, but also in legal aid, business support or the legality of employment.

Grata Pawel

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Vice-Rector, Dean of the Faculty of Sociology and History
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His scientific interests revolve around 20th century Polish social policy, the budget policy of the Second Polish Republic, economic and social changes in south-eastern Poland in the second half of the 20th century and at the beginning of the 21st century.
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Gustav is a Senior Policy Fellow with the Wider Europe Programme at the ECFR Berlin office. His topics of focus include Russia, Eastern Europe, and defense policy. Before joining ECFR, Gustav served in the Austrian Ministry of Defence and the armed forces.

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Undersecretary of State
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Head of the Public Health Department and Head of the Research center of “Human Ecology and Public Health” at National University "Ostroh Academy". Associate Professor, Ph. D. Deputy Chairman of the Board of NGO “Ukrainian Association of Public Health”.

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President of the Board
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Master of Law at the University of Rzeszow and Master of Administration at the Faculty of Law and Administration of the UMCS in Lublin. In 2008-2014 he worked in the Marshal's Office of the Podkarpackie Province. Between 2015-2019 Undersecretary of State in the Ministry of Investment and in the Ministry of Investment and Development.

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Leader
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A barrister and graduate of the University of Cambridge, he devised the EU single market programme which Margaret Thatcher then promoted. A former European General Counsel of a large investment bank and leader of the euro-capital and environmental services trade bodies, he now leads UK EPP.

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Special Representative for the Eastern Partnership
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Diplomat; Special Representative for the Eastern Partnership, former postings: Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to OECD, Paris, Ambassador Kiew/Ukraine, Consul General New York.
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Ukraine Coordinator
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Since 2013 he is designing Ukraine-related projects and summer schools like “Viadrinicum” and the advanced training for professionals “Ukraine Calling”. His special interest lies in forms of mutual learning between academia & civil society for a holistic understanding of current societal questions.

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STELLA SOLAR

Director STELLA SOLAR, CFO UNASOLAR ENERGY, Head UNASOLAR. Graduated from the National technikal University KPI, specialist in electronic systems. International University of Finance, Master of Finance and Credit.

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Student of Lzarski/Coventry University – International Relations. Coordinator on Youth Work in European Youth League, Junior Ambassador of political platform European Hundred. Alumni of Ukrainian Leadership Academy, Computer Science Academy “STEP”, Open University of the Reforms.

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Director of the Institute of European Integration at Ivan Franko Lviv National University. His research interests cover contemporary issues of Ukrainian-Polish relations, integration of Ukraine into the European Union.

Hug Aleksander

The Netherlands
Consultant on Security Issues & Conflict Management

Alexander Hug (Switzerland) is an expert on conflict, humanitarian and security issues. Until Nov 2018, Alexander Hug was the Principal Deputy Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine. Hug is a trained lawyer and served as an Officer in the Swiss Army in Switzerland & abroad.
Idychowski Marcin

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Team Manager
PKO BANK POLSKI

Team Leader in the Digital Services Department responsible for the development of value-added services (VAS), where he supports the digitization of public e-government. He implemented eIDAS regulations - the service of creating electronic identification eID (e-Tożsamość) via electronic banking.

Inozemtsev Vladislav

Russia
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Vladislav Inozemtsev is a Russian economist, author of 16 books and hundreds of academic articles. In recent years he served as fellow with CSIS and Johns Hopkins University in the US, DGAP in Germany, IWM in Austria and PIASt in Poland, among other internationally renowned research institutions.

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President
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Professor (titular) of finance at Wroclaw University of Economics and Business. Honorary doctorate at Cracow University of Economics. Researcher in the area of financial markets, risk management, household finance. President of CFA Society Poland. Member of Supervisory Board of Warsaw Stock Exchange.
Jurkiewicz Marek

Poland
President of the Management Board
RzZD RES-DROB Sp. z o.o.

President of RES-DROB Board since 2004, a graduate of International College in Oxford and University of Manchester. As a representative of the company, involved in the activities of the National Poultry Council.

Kalnina Ieva

Sweden
Team Leader of SKL International’s Support to Decentralisation in Ukraine
SKL International AB

Dreamer, believer, traveler, project manager. Passionate about human development, cross-cultural relationships and Eurovision. Currently with Swedish-Ukrainian decentralisation support project in Ukraine. In the past working with Nordic, Baltic and European regional cooperation programmes and projects.

Karyagin Vladimir

Belarus
Chairman of the Presidium
Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship Development

Leader of the movement of Belarus entrepreneurs. Since 1986 he has dealt with development of private business, Belarussian-European partnership and improvement of business climate.
Kasprzak Mieczysław

**Poland**
**Deputy Sejm**

Member of the Polish Parliament on behalf of the Polish People’s Party. Secretary of State Economy Minister in 2011 to 2013. He has been involved in, renewable energy sources from the beginning of his political activity.

Kasztelewicz Krzysztof

**Poland**
**Member of the Management Board**
**Sadecki Bartnik Sp. z o. o**

A graduate of Management at Cracow University of Economics. Has been operating in a family business for over 10 years. He is responsible for the development of new business directions of the family enterprise, creates its strategy and international expansion.

Keryk Myroslava

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**President of the Board**
**Our Choice Foundation**

Historian, sociologist, specialist in field of migration of Ukrainians to Poland. Head of civic organization Foundation “Our Choice” and Chief-editor of the newspaper “Nash Vybir.” She combines designing and implementation of integration activities directed to migrants with research projects.
Kholodov Yaroslav

Ukraine
Head
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Head of the public organization “OUR WAY”. An expert in cybersecurity and defense of critical infrastructure.

Khymynets Volodymyr

Ukraine
Head of Western Branch
National Institute for Strategic Studies


Kinakh Anatoliy

Ukraine
President
Ukrainian League of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

President of Ukrainian League of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, Chairman of Association of Employer Organizations of Ukraine, Member of Supreme Council of Ukraine of six convocations. May 2001–November 2002–Prime Minister of Ukraine.
**Kinal Jaroslaw**

**Poland**
**Vice Dean for Promotion**
**Faculty of Sociology and History**
**University of Rzeszow**

Media expert, assistant professor at the Institute of History of the University of Rzeszow. Plenipotary of the Vice-Rector of the College of Humanities UR for Organization and International Cooperation. In 2016-2019 Vice-Dean for the Promotion of the Faculty of Sociology and History.

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**Kiss Attila**

**Hungary**
**Mayor**
**City of Hajduboszormeny**

From 2006 he is the mayor of Hajdúböszörmény. Before becoming the mayor he was working as the vice mayor of the municipality. From 2002 to 2014 he was a Member of the Parliament of Hungary. From 2010 he was a member of the Committee of the Regions, now he is working as an alternate member.

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**Klimczak Andrzej**

**Poland**
**Editor-in-Chief**
**Polish Journalists Association**

Journalist, publicist. Editor-in-chief of the Forum of Journalists. President of Association of Polish Journalists Fr. in Rzeszów. Member of the Supreme Journalism Court.
Kniazhytskyi Mykola

Ukraine
Member
Supreme Council

Member of Inter-Parliamentary Assembly of Ukraine and the Republic of Poland, Co-Head of the group for interparliamentary relations with the Republic of Poland, Member of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Committee on Humanitarian and Information Policy.

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Chief Researcher
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Mr. Knutsen is an expert on European and transatlantic security and defence issues. He has published several peer-reviewed articles on NATO – and EU-developments, including studies of Norwegian foreign policy conduct.

Kogut Krystian

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Director of International Cooperation
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Education: economical background, Bachelor of Journalism and Social Communication, Master of Catholic Theology Professional experience and current responsibilities: customer service and sales, development and management of distribution network, project management, marketing and public relations
Kondraciuk Łukasz

USA
Program Director, Eurasia
The International Republican Institute

Program Director – Eurasia – International Republican Institute (Washington, DC). Based in Warsaw, I am currently overseeing USG-funded development initiatives in Eurasia focused on applications of social and digital media to existing closed society capacity building programs.

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Poland
President of the Board
EWL S. A.

Co-founder of EWL S. A. – one of the fastest growing companies in the sector of employment of foreigners in EU. Founder of the Foundation for the Support of Migrants on the Labor Market “EWL”. Member of YPO – Young Presidents Organization. Author of articles on immigration and HR issues.
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Michał Kornasiewicz is DKK Law Firm Partner. He has started PhD studies at the Law and Administration Faculty of the Jagiellonian University in Kraków. He specializes in regulatory, contractual and corporate advice to clients operating in the energy sector.

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Assistant professor at Vistula University (PhD in social sciences), previously an analyst at the Polish Institute of International Affairs (among others, coordinator of the Eastern Europe Program), journalist at the “Rzeczpospolita” daily (correspondent in Kiev and deputy head of the foreign dept.).

Kotarski Hubert

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Vice Dean of the College of Social Sciences
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Sociologist, author of dozens of publications and scientific articles. He attended more than a dozen foreign and national scientific conferences and seminars on socio-economic issues. In recent years, he has held scientific internships at the world's leading universities.
Kovalenko Andrii

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He is a journalist. Editor in Chief in media and an expert in Ukrainian policy

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Poland
Deputy
Sejm

Professor in Institute of Political Studies of the PAS, political scientist, historian, columnist, expert on eastern policy. 2009-2014–member of the European Parliament, Chairman of UE del to EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Com. Author of numerous publications on the transformation processes in Central Europe.

Kowalski Stanislaw

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Rector
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PhD in agricultural sciences in quality management and production engineering. Co-founder and rector of the University of Economics and Computer Science.
**Kraczkowski Maks**  
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*Vice-President of the Management Board*  
*PKO Bank Polski*

Vice-president of the Management Board of PKO BP supervising Area of International and Transaction Banking, Cooperation with Local Governments and Governmental Agencies. He is also the chairman of the Supervisory Board of Kredobank SA. A Member of Parliament during V, VI, VII, VIII term.

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**Krajmas Pawel**  
**Poland**  
*President of the Management Board*  
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Entrepreneur, co-founder and President of the Polish Association of Organic Products Processors and Producers “Polska Ekologia”; Co-owner and director of the company Zakład Mięsny “Jasiołka” in Dukla.

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**Kreko Peter**  
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*Director*  
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Social psychologist and political scientist. He is the executive director of Political Capital. Currently, he is a Europe’s Futures Visiting Fellow of the Institute for Human Sciences (IWM) and Erste Foundation. and an associate fellow at JHU SAIS Bologna Policy Center.
Kruczek Stanislaw

Poland

Member of the Board
Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office

Member of the Board of the Podkarpackie Voivodship, President and co-founder of Telecommunications Cooperative in Tyczyn. An active member of the Catholic Action, a member of the Social Council of the Archdiocese of Przemysl. Councilor of the Rzeszów District in 2006-2014.

Krysiak Zbigniew

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President
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Professor of finance at Warsaw School of Economics. He is the author of over 130 publications and reviewer over 90 scientific works. He is an expert at Ministry of Finance in Poland. He was an economic expert in the Chancel.

Krysyuk Ganna

Ukraine

Co-Owner
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Founder of internet portals – businesswoman, uainworld; ambassador of the International Women’s Entrepreneurs Embassy; director general of the national project “The Book of Records of Ukraine”.
Kuchcinski Marek

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Deputy Sejm

Former Vice-Chairman of the Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of Poland and Ukraine, Chairman of the Parliamentary Carpathian Team.

Kulaga Pawel

Poland
Chairman of the Migration and Employment Committee
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

CEO of Foreign Personnel Service Sp. z o. o., lawyer, graduate of the Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Cambridge University scholarship recipient, PhD candidate at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Chairman of the Migration and Employment Committee of the PUCC.

Kulchynskyi Andriy

Ukraine
Mayor
Truskavets City Council

Mayor of Truskavets. He worked as the chief doctor of the hospital at Truskawets. During his tenure as mayor, he greatly promoted the resort in Europe. Permanent participant in European international conferences and forums.
**Kulyk Ruslan**

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**Director**

NGO „European Strategy of Ternopil Region”

Director of LLC “Ukrainian Advertising Factory”, which provides advertising services for Ukrainian and foreign companies. Expert in the field of international economic projects. Master of International Economy.

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**Kushnirenko Viktor**

_Ukraine_

**Chairman of the Board**

„Pidhirtsi Castle” Foundation

Chairman of the Board of the Fund “Pidgoretsky Castle” – since 2007. Member of the American Alliance of Museums (AAM), World Monument Funds (WMF, USA). For 11 years he is engaged in the preservation of cultural heritage.

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**Lapaiev Yuriy**

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**Deputy Editor-in-Chief**

The Ukrainian Week magazine

Due to his education and previous military service, he is covering issues of cybersecurity, hybrid warfare, defense, and security. He has more than eight years of experience in detecting and countering propaganda and disinformation against Ukraine.
Lebduska Michal
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Association for International Affairs – AMO

Analyst of Prague based think tank Association for International Affairs (AMO) with focus on issues of society and politics in contemporary Ukraine. Ph. D. student at University of Wrocław.

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Leonela LENES, PhD (c), Researcher, Global Studies Center (Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu, Romania), Expert on economic diplomacy with the focus energy diplomacy within the Caspian Sea and Black Sea region.

Leniart Ewa
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Voivode of Podkarpackie
Podkarpackie Voivodeship Office in Rzeszów

Voivode of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship in the years 2015-2019. In 2019 she was elected as a deputy to the Polish Sejm. On 13th January 2020, Mateusz Morawiecki Polish Prime Minister appointed her again the Voivode of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship.
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President’s Advisor
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce


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Previously was a social and political activist, local government employee, an expert in cross-border cooperation.

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**Executive Director**

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Executive director of Institute of World Policy. Ukrainian political analyst and researcher.

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**Director of the Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer**

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Majman Sławomir

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**Vice President**

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Vice President of ZTW- the oldest Poland’s trade promotion and consultancy organisation. Ex- long term Head of the Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency and Europe Strategic Investment of Dentons. Adviser on Foreign Affairs of the Employers of Poland .Senior Fellow of Beijing University .
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Public Procurement Agency
He graduated in Economics and Business Law and specialized in Public Procurement in which he holds an international certificate after successful completion of a professional training program in Vienna.

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Professor of Legal sciences, Vice-rector of the Cracow Academy A.F. Modrzewskiego. Chairman of the conference of Professional Rectors of Polish Schools 2005-2008. A member of the Legal Sciences committee of the Polish Supervisory Board of the Polish Lewiatan Confederation, Dr.H.C. Pedagogical University

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Historian, director of the Centre for East European Studies at University of Warsaw. Coordinator of scholarship programs for students and scholars from post-communist countries. Chairman of the Polish-Ukrainian Partnership Forum under the auspices of the Polish MFA.
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Head of the Department of Tourism
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Head of the Department of Tourism, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv. Expert on tourism development in the region, coordinator of numerous international projects. Author of 47 textbooks and more than 320 articles.

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Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ambassador of Ukraine to Poland (2010-2014). Professor of Lviv and Opole Universities. Author of numerous works in the field of international relations.

Mandziy Lubomyra
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Deputy Minister
Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine

In 2016-2019 was the Director of the Department of Education and Science of Lviv Oblast State Administration. In July 2019, she won the competition for the position of Head of the State Service of Education Quality in Lviv Oblast. In 2016-2019 was the Director of the Department of ESU.
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Lecturer
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His professional interests are concentrated in the field of economic cooperation in Central and Eastern Europe, as well as economic integration in the post-Soviet space. He also works as a political observer for integration within the Union State. He speaks in Ukrainian and English.

Markevych Kateryna

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Expert
Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies

Field of research: international investing activity, foreign economic and energy policy, national economic and energy security. Author and co-author of many analytical projects, among which are: “Green” investments in sustainable development: international experience and Ukrainian realities.

Martyniuk Vitalii

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Expert on foreign policy, regional/international security, energy issues. Served as First Secretary at the Embassy of Ukraine in Serbia. Author of papers on European/Euro-Atlantic integration, regional and energy security, Ukraine’s relations with international organizations and Balkan countries.
Maslowski Maciej

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University of Rzeszow

Member of the Polish Sejm of the 8th term, member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. IT specialist, academic teacher, businessman. Expert in Smart City. Head of the Poland-Estonia bilateral group, Head of the Parliamentary Group for Digitalization, Innovation, IT and High-Tech.

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Doctor of security sciences. Journalist, founder and publisher of the Polish-Ukrainian Portal polukr. net, specialized in topics related to Polish-Ukrainian relations.

Matraia Tomas

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Former United Nations and European Commission Official. His Strategic Advisory Group is specialized in internationalisation, innovation and leadership. He drives change and leads transition to digital society, sustainable development and green economy.
Maurer Krzysztof

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Maurer Juice Extraction Plant

Krzysztof Maurer, the owner of Tłocznia Maurer. Entrepreneur 15 years ago, as one of the first in Poland, he focused on ecology and began to sell cold pressed juices. As the first manufacturer he use the law permitting the trade in alcohol and legalized the production of Śliwowica.

Mendoza-Wilson Jock

Ukraine
Director of International and Investor Relations
System Capital Management

He is a Director of the EU-Ukraine Business Council; Deputy Chair, British Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Advisor, US Ukraine Business Council. He is part of the UN Humanitarian Country Team in Ukraine dealing with the Donbas crisis and participates in expert peace talks to resolve the conflict.

Meszaros Szilvia

Hungary
International Relations Director
Blue Planet Climate Protection Foundation

Expert of communications and international affairs and is now Head of International Relations at the Blue Planet Climate Protection Foundation, an organisation that seeks to create more environmental awareness within and beyond the borders of Hungary for a more sustainable future.
Mikhnenko Anton

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Editor-in-Chief
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Editor of the English-language magazine “Ukrainian Defense Review” in ICC “Defense Express”. He is the author of a number of researches and articles on the issues of defense, industrial policy, military-technical cooperation, and the reform of the Armed Forces in various Ukrainian and foreign media.

Milbradt Georg

Germany
Professor, Former Minister President of Saxony
Dresden University of Technology

Professor, Public Finance, Technical University Dresden; 2002-08 Saxon Minister-President; 1990-2001 Saxon Finance Minister: Since 2017 German special envoy for the Ukrainian reform agenda (decentralization, good governance, civil service; Since 2014 vice chairman of the German Fiscal Council.

Miller Jerzy

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Former Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration (2009-2011)

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PhD in political sciences. Academic lecturer at the Institute of the International Relations Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv. Scientific interests: oriental and African studies, political and security dynamics, cooperation in the Baltic-Black Sea region. Political commentator of LB. ua.

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Ternopil City Council


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Journalist
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Journalist at Foreign Affairs Desk and then at Central Desk dealing with paper-digital integration process

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President of Baltic Security Foundation
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Vice-President for International Affairs
Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority

2013-in charge of international aspects of all sectors regulated by HEA, 2010–2013

Nykonenko Oleksandr

Ukraine
Adviser to the President
Energoatom (National Nuclear Energy Generating Company of Ukraine)

Ambassador of Ukraine to Poland in 2002-2003. Adviser for international cooperation to the president of the nuclear energy state company Energoatom.

Okara Andrey

Russia
Director
Centre for Eastern European Studies

Political analyst and political philosopher (founder of political philosophy by neosolidarism), consultant by some political projects in Ukraine and Russia. The latest articles by him are about the cognitive warfare
Omelchenko Olena

Ukraine
Partner, Head of International Trade Practice
Ilyashev & Partners

Olena enjoys the reputation as a top legal expert for international trade in Ukraine. Olena has over 15 years’ experience related to trade protection and adaptation of Ukrainian laws to EU legislation. Olena was a member of the negotiations group on preparation of the EU-Ukraine Agreement.

Omelchenko Volodymyr

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Director, Energy Programmes
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Education: Kyiv Politechnic Institute, Department of Chemical Engineering (1992). Author of over 50 scientific works and op-ed publications. Took part in development and implementation of international energy projects and scientific research in international energy policy.

Onyszkiewicz Janusz

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Chairman of the Council
Euro-Atlantic Association

Opanashchuk Yuriy

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The President of Association of hotels union and hotels of Ukraine. Ph. D. in Economics, a docent at the Kyiv National Economics University.

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Poland
Marshal
Podkarpackie Region Marshal Office

1992-98-President of Regional Development Agency in Mielec. Member of the Podkarpackie Regional Parliament, Vice-Marshall and Member of the Board. 2005-13 Member of the Polish Parliament. 2005-07 Secretary of State in the Ministry of Regional Development. Member of the National Development Council and CoR.

Ostrowski Radoslaw

Poland
Managing Partner
AXELO Law and Tax for Business

He specializes in strategic legal and tax consultancy, merger and acquisition projects (M&A), conducting business criminal cases (White Collar), and also develops the AXELO AdHoc practice dealing with crisis legal management.
Ovcharuk Viktor

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Assistant professor at the Fuels and Catalytic Processes Department at INiG-PIB. Auditor of the KZR INiG Biofuel Certification System. Co-author of over 40 scientific publications, 17 patents (4 international). Most patents implemented in industry. Specialty – chemical technology, solid biomass.

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Publisher of the Local Observer weekly, appearing in Debica county in Podkarpackie voivodeship and of the website debica24. eu. President of the Local Newspapers Association, associating publishers of 75 largest Polish local newspapers.
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EU Editor
Denik

He studied political science, international relations and ethics at Charles University in Prague. Journalist since 1990. He worked in the largest Czech and Slovak dailies. He was deputy editor of the Slovak daily Pravda. Currently the EU editor of the largest Czech newspaper Denik.

Pamula Teresa

Poland
Director
Subcarpathian Regional Office of Agency for Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture

Director of the Podkarpackie Regional Branch of the Agency for Restructuring and Modernization of Agriculture in Rzeszów. In 2019, in the elections to the Parliament of the Republic of Poland, she was appointed a deputy to the Sejm of the Republic of Poland.

Panchenko Maksym

Ukraine
Coordinator
Internews Ukraine

Alumnus of the Kyiv Institute of International Relations. Formerly employed at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine (2015-2016), currently coordinates European-related projects at NGO “Internews Ukraine” and authors analytics published on the website of its flagship project “UkraineWorld”.

www.economic-forum.pl
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Ukraine
Editor
European Pravda

Journalist, editor of the Ukrainian online portal European Pravda. Interests: economic integration of Ukraine and the EU, political transformation of the region of Eastern Europe.

Pankowska-Lier Beata

Germany
Lawyer
Rödl & Partners Ukraine

Attorney at law at Rödl & Partner law firm in Kiev; University Teacher and Deputy Head of Center of Polish Law in National University Taras Shevtschenko in Ukraine. Author of more than 20 Publications (Article) in different legal Journals in Poland, Germany, Ukraine.

Pashkov Mykhailo

Ukraine
Co-Director, Foreign Relations and International Security Programmes
Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies

Ph. D. in Philosophy. Worked in the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine; diplomatic service at the Embassy of Ukraine in Russia; Since 1999 Razumkov Centre. Diplomatic rank: First Secretary. Most recent position in state structures — Chief Consultant, Analytical Service of Ukraine’s NSDC Staff.
Pastor Kamil

Poland

Economist
Centrum Analiz SpotData

An economist at the SpotData analytical centre, owned by Bonnier Business Polska, publisher of “Puls Biznesu”. He is responsible for developing economic analyses of the economy at global, national and industry level.

Pazdur Wojciech

Poland

Creative Director
The Farm 51 Group S.A.

Co-founder and vice president of The Farm 51, previously a long-time collaborator of the People Can Fly studio, co-creator of the game Painkiller, former editor-in-chief of 3D magazine. Creator and creative director of the award-winning game Get Even, and currently creative director of the game Chernobylite.

Petrunyak Mykhaylo

Spain

President
Hispanic-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce for Development

Master of Public Administration, Economist, Lawyer, Journalist. 2009/10 advisor to the Prime Minister of Ukraine on European Integration. President of the Spanish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce for Development, representative of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Ukraine in Spain.
Piechota Jacek

Poland
President
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce


Pietryga Tomasz

Poland
Deputy Editor-in-Chief
Rzeczpospolita

He has been associated with Rzeczpospolita Daily since 2007. Creator of its journalistic supplements, author of the new concept of 'Dobra Firma' specialist supplements, originator of Rzeczpospolita's legal reports. Laureate of journalistic awards. Previously associated with Gazeta Prawna Daily.

Piskor Jaromir

Czech Republic
Editor
polskodnes.cz

Journalist. After 1989, Czechoslovak politician and member of the Federal assembly for the Civic forum, later for the Civic democratic party. He was a signatory of Charta 77 and was involved in the activities of the Polish-czechoslovak solidarity. Is the publisher and editor of the www.polskodnes.cz
Piskorska Beata

**Poland**

**Associate Professor**

**The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin**

Political scientist, Associate Professor at Institute of Political Science and Public Administration of the Catholic University of Lublin John Paul II, Member of Team Europe at the Representation of the European Commission in Poland, President of Association of Education & International Research.

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Pioro Wieslaw

**Poland**

**Chairman of the Board**

**Health Resort Krynica-Żegiestów**


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Pkhaladze Tengiz

**Georgia**

**Advisor to the President, Foreign Relations Secretary**

**The Administration of the President**

Georgian political researcher and public opinion maker. Former advisor-foreign relations secretary to the 4th President of Georgia (2014-1018). His background covers long standing working experience in government, civil society, think-tank and academia, mainly in areas of foreign and security policy.
Ponomarev Ilya

Russia
CEO
Trident Acquisitions

Ilya Ponomarev has 30 years of international operational and investment experience with primary focus on energy and new technologies. It was complemented with active political life involvement as member of Russian Parliament. His company Trident Acquisitions is one the largest investors in Ukraine.

Poplawska Malgorzata

Poland
Director
Krakowskie Pogotowie Ratunkowe

Graduated from Akademia Medyczna im. M. Kopernika in Kraków. Before obtaining her PhD at the Faculty of Medical Science she became ‘anaesthesiology and intensive care’ specialist and ‘emergency medicine’ specialist. From 03. 07. 2000 until now is the Chief Executive Officer of the KPR.

Posavec Matija

Croatia
County Prefect
Međimurje County

From 2009 to 2013 he was Deputy Prefect of Međimurje County. From 2013 he has served as Prefect of Međimurje County. He is a Member of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.
Poncyljusz Pawel
Poland
Deputy
Sejm

MP; 2012-2016 Member of the Board Avio Polska Sp. z o.o.; 2016 - 2019 Advisor of the Board WB Electronics S.A.

Potocki Michał
Poland
Journalist
Gazeta Prawna Daily

Journalist focused on Belarus and Ukraine, co-author of two books about contemporary Ukrainian politics and one about coal exported from the occupied Donbas to Europe.

Prynda Marcin
Poland
President
Kapital Polski
Przewoznik Miroslaw

Poland

Associate Director of the Department for Labour Market
Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy


Rau Zbigniew

Poland

Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Sejm of the
Republic of Poland
Sejm of the Republic of Poland

Richter Leszek

Czech Republic

Member of the Board, Regional Coordinator of „Górolsko Swoboda
Regional Product”
Local Circle of the Polish Cultural and Educational Association in
Jablonkow

He implements projects in the field of protection of ICH, including those supporting local producers. Since 2007 he has been implementing the labelling system of local products with the Górolsko Swoboda regional product® brand in the Microregion Górolsko Swoboda/Poland – Czechia – Slovakia tripoint.
Riepkin Oleksandr

Ukraine
President
Energy Association Ukrainian Hydrogen Council

President of Energy Association “Ukrainian Hydrogen Council”. A member of European association Hydrogen Europe.

Rodzinka Jacek

Poland
Director
University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszow

Director of Commercial Development at the Institute of Financial Research and Analysis at the University of Information Technology and Management in Rzeszów. President of the Board of the Innovative Cluster Health and Tourism Association “Eastern Poland Paral Spa”.

Roethig Marcel

Germany
Director
Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Kiev Office

Marcel Röthig is heading the Friedrich Ebert Foundation (FES) in Ukraine since 2017. He has been with the FES since 2013, first in Berlin and since 2014 before heading to Kyiv as Deputy Director in Russia. Before joining the FES he was personal assistant of various members of the German Bundestag.
Rogoz Robert

Poland
Commander
Bieszczadzki Border Guard Regional Unit

Brigadier General of the Polish Border Guard since January 2017. Currently serves as a General Commander of the Bieszczady Border Guard Department. Previously a Deputy Commandant of the Bieszczady Department and a Commander of the Border Guard Post in Korczowa.

Romanchuk Andriy

Ukraine
Partner
International Legal Center „EUCON”

Head of Warsaw office of the EUCON Legal Group (Kyiv and Warsaw offices). He focuses on the most complicated issues of corporate and tax law, transfer pricing, commercialization of IP rights objects and tax planning.

Romanchuk Yaroslav

Ukraine
President
Ukrainian Business Association in Poland

Yaroslav Romanchuk – Managing partner, attorney at law International Legal Center EUCON, President of the Association of Ukrainian Business in Poland. Yaroslav Romanchuk focuses on the most complicated issues of corporate and tax law, transfer pricing, commercialization of IP rights objects.
Rosiński Andrzej

Polska
Chairman of the Board
Waimea Holding SA

Rozumnyi Oleksiy

Ukraine
Expert
Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies

Expert in Political and Legal Programmes at Razumkov Centre. PhD in Political Science. Is engaged in public policy analysis, social survey data analysis and researches in political sociology.

Rybacka Renata

Poland
President
Victor 11

Doctor of social sciences in the discipline of security. Graduate of UMK in Toruń of Pedagogical Department. Author of over a dozen articles, participant of many international conferences. The field of interest: existential security, axiology, philosophy, ethics, pedagogy, psychology.
**Rzasa Marek**  
**Poland**  
**Deputy**  
**Sejm**  

Teacher, head of the Teacher’s College in Przemyśl. Scout instructor, activist of the Academic Sports Association and sports instructor. Councilor of the 4th, 5th term, vice-chairman and chairman of the Przemyśl City Council. Member of the Polish Sejm of the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th term.

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**Samus Mykhailo**  
**Ukraine**  
**Deputy Director for International Affairs**  
**Center for Army, Conversion and Disarmament Studies**  

During 2009-2015 Mykhailo was the Head of European office of the CACDS in Prague. Before he managed military-political projects of the CACDS, worked as editor-in-chief of Bulletin of Export Control, journalist of Defense Express. Master in Journalism, Kyiv Shevchenko National University.

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**Santarovich Olga**  
**Ukraine**  
**Deputy Editor**  
**Delovaya Stolitsa**  

Deputy Editor-in-Chief of the Delovaya Stolitsa (The Business Capital) all-Ukrainian weekly online portal. For over 15 years she has been covering education, health and culture issues.
Sauer Adam

Poland
Program Director Ukraine
Solidarity Fund PL

Lawyer, coordinator of Ukrainian projects and election observations program at the Solidarity Fund PL, over 20 years of experience in implementing projects in Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Georgia and Armenia.

Schiffter Karolina

Poland
Partner
PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter Sp. j.

Lawyer, founding partner of PCS Paruch Chruściel Schiffter law firm. Has over a dozen years of experience in labor law cases. Founder of the law firm’s immigration and Global Mobility departments. A renown expert in the field of immigration law and employee relocation advisory.

Schoenwiesner Christian

Germany
Owner
Seraphim Power

Over the last 20 years he was in leading positions as international consultant for Renewable Energies (Rödl & Partner GbR) as well as Head of Solar for EMEA Region at Samsung C&T Europe. Since 2017 he focusses on CIS countries and mainly Ukraine in the field of Renewable Energies.
Severinsen Hanne

**Denmark**

**Member of Danish Parliament (1984-2007), Project Manager Danish Helsinki Committee for Human Rights**


Shevchuk Serhiy

**Ukraine**

**Chairman**

**NGO Legislation Initiative „Ukraine-EU”**


Shioshvili Irakli

**Georgia**

**1st Deputy Governor**

**Administration of Kakheti Region**

1993 Veteran of Military Army, Participant of war for Georgian independence; military title-major; 2004 – Doctor of technical Science; Winemaker – owner of family wine cellar (Georgian traditional wine making since 1888 year)
Siemoniak Tomasz

Poland
Deputy
Sejm


Sienko Stanislaw

Poland
Deputy Mayor
City of Rzeszów

Graduate of Maria Curie–Skłodowska University in Lublin. Professionally bound to Rzeszow municipality – initially as a director of Education Department, afterwards appointed the secretary of the city of Rzeszow. Since November 2007 he has acted as the Deputy Mayor of Rzeszow.

Siruk Mykola

Ukraine
First deputy Chairman of the Expert Council of CACDS Center for Army, Conversion and Disarmament Studies (CACDS)
Siwiec Marek

Poland

Director for International Affairs
Kyiv Babi Yar Holocaust Memorial Center


Slezak Krzysztof

Poland

Director
Industrial Development Agency JSC Branch Office in Mielec

Graduated from Krakow University of Technology. Started his career in WSK ‘PZL Mielec’. Connected to the Special Economic Zone EURO-PARK MIELEC from its beginning, engaged in work of the team establishing the first special economic zone in Poland. Has independently managed the SEZ since 2014.

Slobodian Natalia

Ukraine

Head of Analytics and International Studies Division
National Power Company „Ukrenergo”

Dr. Natalia Slobodian is a Head of Analytics and International Studies Division of NPC UKRENERGO. She previously worked as a Head of energy department for ICPS, was a member of the Public Council of the Ministry of Energy and cooperated with Pulaski Foundation.
Slodki Andrzej

Poland
Head of PL-BY-UA JTS
Center of European Projects

Graduated from Warsaw School of Economics, University of Warsaw, University of Social Sciences and Humanities. Head of JTS of Poland-Belarus-Ukraine Programme, spokesman of the Centre of European Projects.

Smaglii Kateryna

Ukraine
Head of International Cooperation Center
Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine, MFA of Ukraine

Kateryna Smagliy is a Head of the Foreign Cooperation Department at the Diplomatic Academy of Ukraine with the Foreign Ministry of Ukraine. She is a former consultant of the European Endowment for Democracy and a graduatue of McCain Institute’s Next Generation Leaders program.

Snihova Olena

Ukraine
Senior Researcher, Associate Professor
National Academy of Science

Expert in the problems of regional economic policy, specializing in the issues of industrial regions restructuring. The author of more than 150 research works in the field of regional economic policy.
Sobol Ruslan

Ukraine
Head
Association of Small and Medium Enterprises

From 2012 – Head of Association of Small and Medium Enterprises. From 2017 – president of Commerce and Trade Employers Association. Member of Kyiv Chamber of commerce and industry.

Sopel Ihor

Ukraine
Head
Ternopil Regional State Administration

Politician, since 2019 – Head of Ternopil Regional State Administration.

Spinck Darren

USA
Managing Partner
Global Strategic Communications Group

Managing partner of Washington Consulting Solutions, a U. S. – based public affairs and government relations consulting agency.
Stanowski Krzysztof

Poland

Director of International Cooperation Center
City of Lublin


Staszewski Krzysztof

Poland

President of the Board
Podkarpackie Development Fund LLC

A historian by education. He started his own business in 1991. Member of Supervisory Boards e.g. in RARR. In his career he dealt with the EU Funds at the University of Rzeszów and the “PRO CARPATHIA” Association. In 2017, he assumed the position of the President of the Board in PFR in Rzeszow.

Steinmann Luca

Italy

Geopolitical Analyst – Journalist
Limes, Italian Review of Geopolitics

Swiss-Italian political analyst, journalist, reporter and university lecturer. He works as a geopolitical analyst for Limes-Italian magazine for Geopolitics. He teaches international relations at the Rome Business School (Italy) and is guest lecturer at the University of Milan.
Stepien Stanislaw

Poland

Director
South-Eastern Research Institute

1978 – 1991 – Assistant Professor, at the Representative Office of the Polish Historical Society in Przemyśl; 1991 – and continue until today – Director of the South-Eastern Research Institute in Przemyśl; 2004 to present – Senior Lecturer in History at the State Higher Eastern European School.

Stroz-Pawlowska Anna

Poland

Director
The Ulma Family Museum of Poles Saving Jews in World War II

Doctor of Philosophy in Art History, Museologist, former academic teacher. At the Museum in Markowa since 2016, since 2017 the first Museum Director. Creator of a concept of the Museum’s activity and author of numerous initiatives commemorating the Ulma Family and the other Polish Righteous.

Stuedemann Dietmar

Germany

Former Ambassador, Member of Supervisory Board
German Foreign Ministry, Deutsche Bank

former German Ambassador to Ukraine; Supervisory Board Member Deutsche Bank Ukraine. Postings abroad: St. Petersburg; Moscow (twice); Athens; Vienna (OSCE). Studies: Law; Slavistics; Sociology in Germany; France; Russia
Stukalenko Ihor

Ukraine
Head for Energy Programmes
Center for Global Studies „Strategy XXI”

For many years he has worked for the Naftogaz of Ukraine in gas transit and supply area. Developed an alternative draft of the CIS agreement on energy transit, in accordance with the EECh and the ECT. Participated in the negotiations on the Ukraine-EU AA.

Sudol Jerzy

Poland
District Governor
Tarnobrzeg District


Surmacz Beata

Poland
Director of the Central Europe Institute
Maria Curie Skłodowska University in Lublin

Director of the Institute of Central Europe. Professor at the Department of International Relations at Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin. The author of numerous scientific publications on Polish-Ukrainian relations and contemporary diplomacy.
Sushko Iryna

Ukraine
Executive Director
Europe Without Barriers

Executive director of NGO, is working on realization of human right for freedom of movement and supports reforms in the fields of rule of law, migration and border management, protection of personal data, public order and security.

Svoboda David

Czech Republic
Historian
The Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes

A Philosophy Doctor and historian. He works at the Institute for the Study of Totalitarian Regimes. His focus is modern Ukrainian history and Polish-Ukrainian relations.

Swieciecki Marcin

Poland
Business Ombudsman in Ukraine

Business Ombudsman in Ukraine since October 2019. Polish politician and economist, f. Minister for Foreign Economic Relations, Deputy Minister of Economy, Mayor of Warsaw, Member of Sejm, Deputy Chair of the Ukrainian Parliamentary Group, Director BRAAC in Kyiv, Advisor on selfgovernment reform.
Syrota Dmytro

Ukraine
Managing Partner
SDM Partners

He has been practicing law for more than 18 years. He has a solid background of advising domestic and international companies operating in Ukraine on a wide range of matters including cross-border M&A, purchase and development of business projects, investment & various issues related to competition.

Szakacs Aron

Hungary
Director of the Join Technical Secretariat
The Hungary-Slovakia-Romania-Ukraine ENI CBC Programme 2014-2020

He has been working with cross-border cooperation-, transnational- and interregional programmes for recent 13 years. Since 2011 he is responsible for the coordination of the Hungary-Slovakia-Romania-Ukraine ENPI CBC (2007-2013) and later for the new generation quadrilateral ENI CBC Programme (2014-2020).

Szaniawski Michal

Poland
President
Polish Space Agency

He has over 10 years experience in managing commercial companies. Over the past few years, he served as Vice President of IDA and Advisor to the Minister of Entrepreneurship and Innovation. During this period, he was responsible for preparing the Space Technologies Support Program.
Szegajew Jacek

Poland
First Vice-President of the Management Board
Kredobank

Jacek Shugajew started his career in banking in 1990. He held various positions at the National Bank of Poland, Citibank Polska, ABN AMRO NV, Rabobank Polska, PKO BP SA, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego. On October 1, 2018, he was appointed the First Vice President of the Management Board of KredoBank.

Szymanowski Maciej

Poland
Director of Institute
Wacław Felczak Institute of Polish-Hungarian Cooperation

Szymczycha Dariusz

Poland
Member of Chamber of the Council
Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce

Journalist and politician. Between 2002 and 2005 Secretary of State in the Office of the President of Poland, responsible for European affairs. Adviser on decision-making processes in Poland and the EU. Member of the Council of Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce.
Tabuns Otto

Latvia
Director
Baltic Security Foundation

Director of the Baltic Security Foundation. Lecturer of international security and policy debate at Riga Graduate School of Law. Host of the Latvia Weekly broadcast in English. Member of ISA, AABS and LPSA.

Tamburelli Gianfranco

Italy
Institute for International Legal Studies ISGI-CNR

Lawyer, Professor of the Master in Environmental Law – Sapienza University of Rome, Professor of a Course on the European Court of Human Rights at Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Member of the IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law.

Tarasyuk Borys

Ukraine
Director
Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation

Terlecki Ryszard

Poland
Deputy Speaker
Sejm

Chairman of the PiS Parliamentary Club. Member of the 6th, 7th 8th term of the Sejm. Chairman of the Delegation to the Polish-Ukrainian Parliamentary Assembly. Historian, publicist, professor. Lecturer at the Ignatanum Academy, former Director of the Institute of National Remembrance Branch in Kraków.

Tkachuk Anatolii

Ukraine
Director
Civil Society Institute

He is a local self-governance and regional development consultant, who prepared dozens of publications and legislative acts, designing decentralization reform in Ukraine. He was a MP of Ukraine (1990-94), Advisor to the President of Ukraine (2005-08), Deputy Minister of Regional Development (2008-10).

Tomenchuk Rostyslav

Ukraine
Chairman
Ukrainian Institute for International Politics

Member of EU–Ukraine Civil Society Platform (on Association Agreement implementation) Area of competences: political dialog Ukraine-EU, EU macro-regional strategies, Smart Specialisation, cross-border cooperation, transport and mobility.
Truszczynski Jan

Poland

Lecturer

Vistula University

Expertise in the field of European integration. Worked i. a. as Poland’s ambassador to the EU, presidential adviser on EU, chief negotiator of Poland’s accession to the EU and senior manager in the European Commission (DDG in DG ELARG, DG in DG EAC).

Tsehanko Ivan

Ukraine

Chairman of the Board

International Center „European Integration of Ukraine”

For many years was working in the hospitality industry. Now heads a non-governmental organization that implements projects for European integration of Ukraine.

Tsependa Igor

Ukraine

Rector

Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University

Rector of Precarpathian National University, author of scientific publications of the ukrainian-polish history of the XX century and modern bilateral relations. He received honorary distinction Bene Merito of the MFA of the Republic of Poland.
Tufarelli Francesco  
**Italy**  
**Director General of the Office for Regional Affairs and Autonomies**  
**Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department of Regional Affairs and Autonomies**

GD of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers responsible for Regional Affairs. He was Chief of Cabinet to the Ministers for European Affairs and to the Cultural Heritage. Former General Secretary of ACI and GM of SKY responsible for Public Affairs. Currently teaching Science of ADM and EU law.

Tymoshenko Natalia  
**Ukraine**  
**Deputy Head of Department**  
**Legislative Initiatives: Ukraine-EU**

Studying of conflicts in Ukraine and in the Middle East, as hybrid wars as well as counteractions of aggressive occupation of Russia. An analysis of the information war between the parties to these conflicts. The energy policy of key players in Central, Eastern Europe and countries in Asia.

Umland Andreas  
**Ukraine**  
**Senior Research Fellow**  
**Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation**

CertTransl (Leipzig), AM (Stanford), MPhil (Oxford), DipPolSci, DrPhil (FU Berlin), PhD (Cambridge). Since 2014, Senior Fellow at the Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation in Kyiv, and, since 2019, at the Center for European Security of the Institute of International Relations in Prague.
UseinovNedim

Ukraine
Member of Executive Committee
World Congress of Crimean Tatars

He is a researcher at the Department for European Islam Studies, University of Warsaw. He also represents the Executive Council of the World Congress of Crimean Tatars in Poland. His field of expertise includes diaspora studies, international relations and politics in Eastern Europe.

Vaissié Cécile

France
Professor – Head of Russian Studies Department
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Author of several books on the relationships between culture, power and society in Russia in the 20 and 21 centuries. Also expert on Soviet and Russian propaganda and « soft power ». Last books published : – « The Mikhalkov Clan » (2019) – « The Kremlin Networks in France » (2016).

Vasa Laszlo

Hungary
Chief Advisor, Senior Research Fellow
Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade

PhD, professor at Széchenyi István University. Fields of research: economics of transition, post-Soviet studies and international issues of agricultural economics. Visiting professor in Japan, Kazakhstan, honorary doctor in Russia.
Voskanyan Lusine

Armenia

Programme Director
Union of Informed Citizens

Lusine Voskanyan is a journalist and fact checker at Fact Investigation Platform founded by “Union of Informed Citizens” consulting NGO. She has written dozens of articles contributing to media literacy.

Vostrykh Oleg

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President
Foundation „High School of Professional Politics”

Political expert and social activist. His activity focuses on: research and analysis of public opinion, publication of training materials, organization of conferences and trainings directed at democratization and development of the civil society, preparing new leaders for politics and social movement.

Voyger Mark

USA

Visiting Scholar
Penn Biden Center for Diplomacy and Global Engagement

Previously he served as Special Advisor for Russian and Eurasian Affairs to the Commander of US Army Europe and NATO Land Command. He holds graduate degrees from Harvard University and the Fletcher School.
Voytiv Mykola

Ukraine
Head of Energy Projects
NGO New Generation Management

Voznyak Taras

Ukraine
General Director
Lviv National Art Gallery


Vusenko Yuliia

Ukraine
Deputy
Lutsk City Council

Professor at the Eastern European University, PhD in Law. 2015-2017 – Secretary of Lutsk City Council. Since 2015 – member of Lutsk City Council.
Vykovsky Mykola

Ukraine

Head

Civic Movement „Chesno”

Vyshlinsky Hlib

Ukraine

Executive Director

Centre for Economic Strategy

Hlib Vyshlinsky has over 20 years of experience in economic analysis and research. He manages Centre for Economic Strategy since CES was founded in 2015.

Weber Rafał

Poland

Sekretary of State

Ministry of Infrastructure

Responsible for matters related to road transport, public roads and road safety. A graduate of the College of Law and Administration in Rzeszów. From 2015, MP in the Sejm of the Republic of Poland in the VIII and IX terms.
Wieciech Leszek

Poland
Advisor to the Board
Krajowy Instytut Kontroli Biznesowej

Advisor to the Board of the National Institute of Business Control. Experienced expert in Public Affairs and lobbing, CSR, former diplomat. As the President of Polish NOIA conducted many lobbing actions, like reduction of fraud in fuels trade, reduction of interchange fee etc.

Wierzbieniec Marta

Poland
Director
Filharmonia Podkarpacka im. Artura Malawskiego w Rzeszowie

Conductor-choirmaster, since 2008 to now, she has been the General Director of the Podkarpackie Philharmonic Artur Malawski in Rzeszów and Music Director of the Łańcut Festival.

Woellert Torsten

Germany
Team Leader Energy and Environment, Support Group for Ukraine European Commission

Head of the Energy & Environment Team of the Support Group for Ukraine of the European Commission. At the European Commission he has extensively dealt with EU energy supplies, energy efficiency, support to innovation and EU-Russia and EU-Ukraine energy relations.
Wojciechowski Zbigniew

Poland
Deputy Marshal
Lubelskie Region’s Marshal’s Office


Wojcik Raymond

USA
Director of the Warsaw Office
Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA)

He served in numerous command and staff assignments in the U. S. and Europe, and also as Army-Attaché in Poland. His career focused on transatlantic security. Co-author of “Unfinished Business”, CEPA’s case for permanent U. S. forces in Poland.

Woznicki Jerzy

Poland
President, Professor, Lider of the Polish-Ukrainian Project
Polish Rectors Foundation

Yurynets Oksana

Ukraine
Deputy (of 8th convocation)
Supreme Council

Professor of Lviv Polytechnic National University; PhD in economics; MP of Ukraine (VIII convocation); Chairwoman of Ukrainian delegation to NATO PA (2017-2019 yy.); Co-chair of Interparliamentary group Ukraine-Poland (2016-2019).

Zablovskyi Andrii

Ukraine
Head of the Secretariat of Entrepreneurs Council
Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine

Andriy Zablovskiy is nowadays a Head of the Secretariat of the Council of Entrepreneurs under the Cabinet Ministers of Ukraine. He is also co-founder of non-governmental organization «European Choice of Ukraine» and Center for Modern Social Science. Expert in innovations and high-tech, Industry 4.0.

Zaczynski Artur

Poland
Medical Affairs Deputy Director

Central Clinical Hospital Ministry of the Interior and Administration in Warsaw

Graduate of the Medical Academy in Warsaw. Neurosurgeon specialist. Areas of interest: cerebrovascular disease, spinal surgery, nervous system injuries, oncology, emergency medical services, brain computer interface (BCI), management of operations and public health.
Zalubski Jan

Poland
President of the Management Board
ZET Transport

Zapolska Aleksandra

Poland
Member of the Foundation Board
ZUSTRICZ Fundation

Co-founder and member of the Foundation Board, organizer and coordinator of activities supporting migrants and the Ukrainian minority. The member of the Interdisciplinary Team for the implementation of the “Open Krakow” program and of the MUW interinstitutional platform. Nominee of the “Golden Fan”.

Zelenko Galyna

Ukraine
Professor, Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies
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Professor of an Institute of Political and Ethnic Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. Research interests: modern dynamics of political institutes and processes, the correlation between politics and political regimes at former communist countries.
Zhalilo Yaroslav
Ukraine
First Vice-Director
National Institute for Strategic Studies

PhD in economy, a leading researcher in economic and regional policy with more than 20 year experience of policy advisory to the Government and Office of the President of Ukraine. Research priorities: institutional economy and reforms; structural policy; regional policy and regional development.

Ziolkowski Marek
Poland
Ambassador
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

From 1991 in diplomacy. He is dealing with the Polish foreign policy towards Eastern Europe and security policy. He started his diplomatic career in Belarus and was Polish ambassador to Ukraine, Kenya and NATO. 2016-2017 he used to be undersecretary of State for eastern and security policies.

Zmijan Stanisław
Poland
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The Region of Podkarpackie – a gateway to the European Union, land of modern economy, unpolluted natural environment, wealth of culture, and opportunities. Here, innovative technologies of aerospace, information technology and automotive industries come side by side with active leisure, mountain adventures, multiculturalism and creativity. International airport, EU border crossings, East-West motorway, areas designated for investments and resources of well-educated young people are the reasons why global companies bring their business here.

Podkarpackie region is located in south-eastern Poland. Due to its favourable location, business friendly areas (Special Economic Zones, Science and Technology Parks, tax incentives) and many clusters (e.g. Aviation Valley, IT Cluster, Eastern Automotive Alliance) Podkarpackie has established itself as an innovation centre and an investment destination popular among both domestic and foreign companies. The region is highly industrialised and oriented especially on aviation, electromechanical, automotive, biotechnology, IT and chemical industry. Podkarpackie is home to the Aviation Valley Association – an unique aviation cluster where numerous global players like Pratt & Whitney, UTC Aerospace Systems, PZL Aircraft Mielec – Sikorsky, and MTU Aero Engines cooperate with each other. Moreover, the region offers highly skilled human resources, educated at several universities. Podkarpackie is ready to welcome investors and facilitate their investments.

And after work? Anything goes! From the atmosphere of urban cafeterias, pubs, theatres, concerts, to recreation activities on the ground, on the water and in the air, amidst wildlife, Carpathian landscapes, and legends of Bieszczady and Beskid Niski. On top of that, one can absorb the culture, architecture and art of borderland, and find time and place for leisure, creativity and taking bird's eye view of the hectic world, from above.
PKO Bank Polski is the indisputable leader of the Polish banking sector and the basic supplier of financial services. It is a company appreciated in the country and abroad and the most valuable firm listed at the Warsaw Stock Exchange. The Bank focuses on digitisation, innovation and development of modern technologies. By continuing the path of digital transformation, it is changing into PKO Bank of the Future.
Rzeszów is a modern, dynamically developing city of young and entrepreneurial people. It is the economic, educational, cultural and sports centre of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship.

The city has a very good transport accessibility through a developed road network and the Rzeszów-Jasionka International Airport. Around 50 thousand students, study on traditional and innovative specialization’s.

The capital of Podkarpacie is the seat of an aviation cluster, IT cluster, plastics and good quality of life. The most well-known operating companies in Rzeszów, among others: Pratt & Whitney Rzeszów, Heli-One, MTU, Borg Warner, Asseco Poland, Marma Polskie Folie, Deloitte, PwC and many others.
Rzeszow Regional Development Agency is a non-profit joint institution. The objective of the RRDA is to support the development of Podkarpackie Region, to improve the quality and standard of life of its inhabitants, to advertise the possibilities offered by the region.

Podkarpackie Science and Technology Park AEROPOLIS is now one of the most attractive investment locations in southeastern Poland. Its concept is to encourage modern businesses and technologies while mobilizing the potential of local universities and research centers. AEROPOLIS is now one of the most attractive investment locations in southeastern Poland.
Founded in 2007, EWL S.A. recruits top–notch specialists from four continents. It is the leader on the Polish market of employment of foreigners in the field of permanent recruitment, employee leasing, outsourcing and servicing the employment of non–EU citizens. The Group provides HR solutions for most sectors of the economy in the European Union, including formalities related to staffing and legalization of stay. EWL S.A. has 32 branches in 5 European countries (Poland, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova and the Czech Republic).
Cross-border Cooperation Programme
Poland-Belarus-Ukraine 2014-2020

The Programme supports sustainable development along the European Union’s external borders. All projects are funded by the EU, have non-profit character and aim at better life quality of inhabitants of eastern Poland, western Ukraine and western Belarus. They are based on cooperation, exchange of knowledge and experiences between institutions from both sides of the EU border. The Programme focuses on four topics: Heritage, Accessibility, Security and Borders.
G2A ARENA – OPEN SPACE FOR BUSINESS
The Exhibition and Congress Centre G2A Arena in Jasionka is the most modern and largest venue in Podkarpackie Voivodeship.
In G2A Arena took place one of the largest fair events, international conferences and congresses in Podkarpackie. It is a high-tech, glazed building with a futuristic shape and huge area – 28 thousand. sqm. Up till now, center has been visited by nearly 400,000 people and there were held about 400 events.
POLISH-UKRAINIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has been working to develop Polish-Ukrainian economic and social relations. The key task of this institution is to promote and support the business activities of its members as well as to represent Ukrainian investors in Poland and Polish investors in Ukraine. Furthermore, the Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce cooperates with Polish, Ukrainian and international organizations to shape a positive image of Ukraine in Poland and Poland in Ukraine.