

## **Preventing. Fighting. Acting**

### **Largest international anti-corruption conference seeks lessons learnt and paths for development of Ukraine**

*Kyiv, 16 November 2015 – The National Sports Complex Olimpiisky hosted 922 guests coming as speakers and participants to one of the largest anti-corruption events in Ukraine: the International Anti-corruption Conference “Preventing. Fighting. Acting.”*

The Conference gathered a wide spectrum of participants coming from government institutions, civil society organizations, Parliament, media and international organizations that try to help Ukraine on its uneasy “second front” of fight for integrity. International expertise was brought to Kyiv from over 15 countries and themes covered some of the most burning issues to be addressed by the Ukrainian authorities in cooperation with the civil society and foreign partners.

The Conference was organized by The National Reform Council and the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine, jointly with the Council of Europe Economic Crime and Cooperation Unit, European Union Delegation, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) as core



participants of the organizing committee. The European Business Association (EBA) and PACT Uniter also contributed greatly to the joint effort.

Opened by President Poroshenko and Prime-Minister Yatseniuk, subsequent discussions of the Forum were shaped into one high-level panel and 6 dedicated sessions addressing topics of corruption prevention and investigation, asset recovery, nurturing zero-tolerance for corruption in the society, mainstreaming anti-corruption work into regional reforms and addressing the role of business in fighting for more integrity in the country. Council of Europe experts and high-level representatives were working on the high-level panel, as well as in three thematic sections (on prevention, investigations and building zero-tolerance to corruption).