

DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project title	Advancing Ukraine's Recovery through Responsible Investment
Country/region	Ukraine
Budget	150 308 EUR
Donor	Action Plan for Ukraine "Resilience, Recovery and Reconstruction" 2023-2026
Duration	10 months (1 March 2026 – 31 December 2026)
Partners and beneficiaries	Respective ministries, judiciary, human rights institutions, civil society, business enterprises and their associations
Main objective and objectives	The project aims to promote responsible business practices, strengthen institutions, and improve access to effective remedies in line with international human rights standards.
Expected results	1. Enhanced Legal and Policy Frameworks Ukraine's legal and policy framework on business and human rights are reviewed to identify gaps and recommend alignment with international standards. A National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights is developed through inclusive, multi-stakeholder consultations, providing a roadmap for preventing, mitigating, and remedying adverse human rights impacts on the national level 2. Strengthened Institutional and Stakeholder Capacities Capacity development initiatives equip the judiciary to effectively to effectively address various business-related human rights issues in line with Council of Europe standards and relevant jurisprudence of the ECtHR. A multi-stakeholder dialogue platform is established, fostering regular engagement and cooperation between government, business, civil society and academia on key challenges and solutions for implementing business and human rights standards. 3. Increased Awareness and Support for Responsible Business Practices Awareness-raising campaigns and public information initiatives enhance understanding among businesses and the broader public of the importance of responsible business conduct. Practical toolkits, e-learning materials, and guidance are developed and disseminated to support businesses in integrating human rights into their operations and inform affected individuals and communities of their rights and available remedy mechanisms.
Key activities	- Review of Ukraine's laws, regulations, and policies relating to business and human rights to identify gaps and provide recommendations for alignment with the international standards on human rights and business (UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs) and Council of Europe Recommendation CM/Rec(2016)3). - Support the drafting of a National Action Plan (NAP) on Business and Human Rights by facilitating inclusive, multi-stakeholder consultations. - Awareness-raising campaigns to enhance understanding among businesses and the broader public of the importance of responsible business conduct.

	• Development of practical toolkits and e-learning resources to assist businesses to integrate human rights considerations into their practices. • Establish a multi-stakeholder dialogue platform to ensure regular engagement and knowledge exchange between government agencies, business associations, civil society and academia on business and human rights. • Capacity-building initiatives for the judiciary focused on adjudicating business-related human rights cases, referencing Council of Europe standards and European Court of Human Rights case law. • Public information campaigns and materials to raise awareness among affected individuals and communities about the available remedy mechanisms and complaint procedures.
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