

Round table on

OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP: A way forward to enhance local self-governance

29 – 30 January 2019 Venue: Hotel Aloft, 17 Esplanadna St, Kyiv, Ukraine

CONTEXT

The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (the Congress) is organising jointly with the Association of Ukrainian Cities (AUC) a round table to discuss the role of local authorities in the implementation of the Fourth National Action Plan of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) 2018-2020.

Following the 5th OGP Global Summit held in July 2018 in Tbilisi, Georgia, representatives of ten large cities of Ukraine and the AUC initiated a discussion to widen involvement of Ukrainian local authorities in the implementation of the Fourth National Action Plan and in the use of e-tools to bring services closer to citizens to enhance local governance in Ukraine.

The round table will bring together Ukrainian mayors and representatives of local councils, the Government of Ukraine and other national stakeholders, as well as representatives of other national associations of local authorities from Ukraine and other European countries to share experiences and good practices on open government and to discuss new ways to further engage citizens in self-governance practices and increase trust at local level.

The round table is organised within the project "Strengthening democracy and building trust at local level in Ukraine", which aims to improve the quality of local democracy in Ukraine by strengthening institutional frameworks and by supporting local authorities and their national associations in their efforts to promote ethical decision-making and more citizen-oriented, inclusive and transparent local governance. The project is implemented by the Congress within the Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine 2018 – 2021.

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PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 29 January 2019

13.30 – 14.00 Registration and welcoming coffee

14.00 – 14.30 **Opening and introduction**

Oleksandr SAYENKO, Minister of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Mårten EHNBERG, Head of Office, Council of Europe Office in Ukraine Volodymyr PROKOPIV, Deputy Mayor of Kyiv, Head of the delegation of Ukraine to the Congress

Moderation: Marité MORAS, Head of Unit, Co-operation and External Relations Department, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

14.30 – 15.30 Panel 1: Open Government Partnership initiative in Ukraine: from commitment to action

Taras MELNYCHUCK, Advisor to the Minister of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN, Executive Director of Association of Ukrainian Cities Oleksandr RYZHENKO, Head of the State Agency of Ukraine for e-Governance

The panel will include presentations and discussions on Ukraine's open government commitments and achieved results since 2016, as well as prospects for contributions from local authorities and their national associations to the implementation of the Fourth National Action Plan.

Questions and answers.

15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 – 18.00 Panel 2: Open Government Partnership for better decision-making and building trust: international perspective

María Alejandra RICO FALLA, Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP), Deputy Co-ordinator of the UCLG Community of Practice on Transparency and Open Government

Alberto CASERO ÁVILA, Mayor of Trujillo, Cáceres, Spain

Carles AGUSTÍ HERNÀNDEZ, Open Government Director, Barcelona Provincial Council, Spain

Hannes ASTOK, Deputy Director for Strategy and Development at the Estonian e-Governance Academy

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The panel will encourage the exchange of experiences between Ukrainian and international participants, focusing on the involvement of national associations of local authorities in the development and implementation of OGP national action plans, global advocacy and networking opportunities.

18.00 – 18.30 Round table discussion on Panel 1 and 2

18.30 Dinner and networking

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09.00 – 09.20 Summary of Day 1 and introduction to Day 2

Marité MORAS, Head of Unit, Co-operation and External Relations Department, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

09.20 – 11.00 Panel 3: Promoting open government: experience of Ukrainian municipalities

Serhiy NADAL, Mayor of Ternopil

Olha KHONICH, Deputy Mayor of Chernihiv

Ruslan MARTSYNKIV, Mayor of Ivano-Frankivsk

Serhiy ZAMIDRA, Mayor of Nemishayeve, Kyiv region

Stanislav GAIDER, Head of IT and Analysis Department, Institute of Drohobych city, Lviv region

Moderation: Viktor TARAN, Director, NGO Centre for political studies and analysis Eidos, Ukraine

The panel will include presentations and discussions on open budgeting, open contracting, transparent and accountable service delivery, as well as citizen engagement and inclusive policymaking at local level. During the panel discussion, the Ukrainian participants will be able to share experiences on open government initiatives with international participants.

11.00 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 13.30 Panel 4: Draft Roadmap for the development of e-governance at local level

Introduction to the Roadmap – Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN, Executive Director of the AUC

Co-operation and dialogue: challenges and prospects for open information societies at local level – Hannes ASTOK, Deputy Director for Strategy and Development at the Estonian e-Governance Academy

Moderation: Viktor TARAN, Director, NGO Centre for political studies and analysis Eidos, Ukraine

The panel will discuss the AUC's efforts regarding e-Governance, the challenges faced by local authorities and opportunities for open government. After the panel discussion, participants will be split in working groups to discuss the draft Roadmap.

The way forward – plenary feedback from working groups.

13.30 – 14.00 Conclusions and next steps

Oleksandr SLOBOZHAN, Executive Director of the AUC

Marité MORAS, Head of Unit, Co-operation and External Relations Department, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

14.00 *Lunch*

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