



**WORK PLAN
2023-2024**

COUNCIL OF EUROPE PROJECT «FACILITATING HOUSING SOLUTIONS FOR THE WAR-AFFECTED PEOPLE IN UKRAINE»

implemented within the framework of the Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine: Resilience, Recovery and Reconstruction 2023-2026

the Project aims to provide technical and expert support in developing sustainable housing solutions for displaced and war affected people in Ukraine through an inclusive and participatory approach, including the strong engagement of civil society, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and the war-affected people.

Pillar 1:
Improving the national and local regulatory framework on housing solutions and facilitating access to housing programmes in line with European and international human rights standards.

Based on the European and International standards, including the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), the Project will support the national and local authorities in Ukraine when assessing and improving the relevant legislative and policy framework on housing solutions. Through expert support, targeted recommendations and specialised trainings, the Project will promote an effective national and local regulatory framework on housing solutions and ensure its alignment with Council of Europe standards. Special attention will be given to enhancing the knowledge of a wide range of professionals on the applicable European and international standards and experiences on housing programmes for, among others, displaced and war-affected people.

Pillar 2:
Promoting and implementing targeted digital solutions to ensure access to housing rights for the war-affected people in Ukraine.

The Project will provide expert support and capacity building to relevant stakeholders in implementing the relevant digital tools for the mapping and reconstruction for destroyed or damaged houses at the community level. The Project will further facilitate access to housing solutions at the local level, through needs assessments, provision of legal and technical support, and by ensuring access to reliable information on housing assistance and reconstruction programmes, with a focus on housing programmes to be supported by the Council of Europe Development Bank.

Key National Partners: Ministry for Communities, Territories, and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine, Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine, Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Ministry for Digital Transformation of Ukraine, State Fund for Youth Housing Assistance, regional and local administrations.

Target groups: national and local authorities responsible for development and implementation of housing solutions, NGOs working in the field housing solutions for war-affected people.

Final beneficiaries: IDPS and other war-affected population.

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<i>Set of activities</i>	<i>Tentative timeline</i>	<i>Key partners and beneficiaries</i>
<p>Two Steering Committee Meetings of the Project will be organised to launch the Project, to present the Project objectives, to discuss and confirm the Project Work Plan 2023 – 2024, and to assess the progress.</p> <p>The events will bring together key national partners and experts of the Project. Representatives of the countries – supporters of the Action Plan for Ukraine: Resilience, Recovery and Reconstruction 2023-2026 will be invited.</p> <p>Final event will be organised to present the Project outcomes and the next steps forward.</p>	<p>July 2023</p> <p>February 2024</p> <p>December 2024</p>	<p><i>Key interlocutors</i></p>
<p>Pilar 1. Improving the national and local regulatory framework on housing solutions and facilitating access to housing programmes in line with European and international human rights standards by providing expert support, targeted recommendations and specialised trainings for wide range of professionals.</p>		
<p>Set of activities 1.1</p> <p>The Project will support an assessment of current situation and national legal framework on housing solutions for IDPs and the war-affected population in Ukraine, with a special focus on the draft Law “On compensation for destroying and damaging of particular categories of immovables as a result of hostilities, terroristic attacks, diversions caused by military aggression of the Russian Federation” adopted by the Parliament of Ukraine on 23 February 2023.</p> <p>Following the request of the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine the Project will contribute to the working group on developing a regulatory framework on places for compact residence for IDPs.</p> <p>Following the request of the Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development, the Project will contribute to the working group on developing key principles on housing policies and administration of the housing stock.</p> <p>The Project will provide further expert support to the Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development and other national partners to advance national regulatory framework on housing solutions for the war-affected people upon the Project partners` request. Recommendations on</p>	<p>May – June 2023</p> <p>June – September 2023</p> <p>June – December 2023</p> <p>July 2023 – November 2024</p>	<p><i>Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine; Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine; Ministry for Digital Transformation of Ukraine; State Fund for Youth Housing Assistance</i></p>

<p>the housing programmes for the most vulnerable groups of IDPs and the war-affected people will be developed.</p>		
<p>Set of activities 1.2</p> <p>Overview of European experiences on housing programmes for the war-affected population including housing programmes implemented by the Council of Europe Development Bank will be prepared.</p> <p>A study visit for Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine, Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine, State Fund for Youth Housing Assistance, regional and local administrations to the Council of Europe Headquarters and/or conflict-affected country will be organised.</p>	<p>September 2023 – June 2024</p> <p>April 2024</p>	<p><i>Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine; Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine; State Fund for Youth Housing Assistance; regional and local administrations</i></p>
<p>Set of activities 1.3</p> <p>The Project will support research on different types of housing assistance providing by international organisations to the war-affected people in Ukraine. It will cover, among others, various types of housing programmes, housing and beneficiaries` selection criteria, assistance amount, coordination mechanisms and reporting.</p> <p>A round table on housing assistance programs will be organised to discuss key needs, challenges and further steps forward. The digital platform for the mapping and reconstruction of destroyed or damaged houses developed with the Council of Europe support will be presented. Relevant stakeholders will gain important knowledge on how to use the aforementioned digital platform.</p> <p>The digital platform for the mapping and reconstruction of destroyed or damaged houses will be advanced to cover key requirements and implementation modalities of housing support and reconstruction programmes implementing by the international and national actors.</p> <p>At least three round tables will be supported by the Project to discuss draft adjustments to the national legislation on housing rights, data collection, and tools as well as partners co-operation in the field of housing solutions for IDPs and war-affected people.</p>	<p>July – September 2023</p> <p>November 2023</p> <p>September 2023 – December 2023</p> <p>July 2023 – September 2024</p>	<p><i>Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine; Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine; Ministry for Digital Transformation of Ukraine; international IOs acting in Ukraine; national and local partners</i></p>

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Promoting and implementing targeted digital solutions to ensure access to housing rights for the war-affected people in Ukraine by providing support (needs assessment, recommendations, etc.), capacity building in implementing the digital tools for the mapping and reconstruction for destroyed or damaged houses at the community level, carrying out raising awareness campaigns to ensure access to reliable information on housing assistance and reconstruction programmes.

Set of activities 2.1

Service package on access to public cloud service to store the digital platform and the relevant data on destroyed and damaged housing in Ivanivska rural community of Chernihiv region will be provided with the Project support.

With the Project support the building and reconstruction experts will assist Ivanivska rural community of Chernihiv region in estimating the reconstruction costs for damaged housing. Similar support may be further provided to other partner communities.

Up to 6 local communities will be selected as the Project partner communities. The communities will get an access to the digital platform for the mapping and reconstruction of destroyed or damaged houses at the local level including an access to the cloud server. The digital platform – which was developed with the Council of Europe’s support – serves as a source of reliable and verified data on the scale of housing damage and the list of beneficiaries of housing assistance for potential donors.

Local communities will get proper training, practical recommendations, and instructions on implementation of the digital platform for the mapping and reconstruction of destroyed or damaged houses. In cooperation with the All-Ukrainian NGO “Housing Ukraine” the platform will be adapted for implementation in selected communities.

Partner communities will get in-demand digital equipment and the software to administrate the digital tools for the mapping and reconstruction of destroyed or damaged houses at the local level.

Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine, State Fund for Youth Housing Assistance, will receive in-demand IT equipment and software for implementation of housing programmes

March 2023 –
June 2024

July 2023 – June 2024

September 2023 –
September 2024

January –
May 2024

September –
December 2023

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Set of activities 2.2

The Project will provide technical advice to the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine in finalising the draft strategy on digital solutions for IDPs and other war-affected people with a focus on housing needs. Draft Strategy will be presented to national and international partners concerned.

Expert and technical advice will be provided to the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine to advance the Unified Database on Internally Displaced Persons in Ukraine, in particular, to improve the Data Statistic

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<p>System and to ensure on-line housing needs assessment. Public discussion will be organised to present the developments and to discuss the next steps.</p>		
<p>Set of activities 2.3</p> <p>The Project will award a number of grants to NGOs to develop information materials, trainings, practical recommendations, instructions and relevant digital solutions, and to provide in-demand digital and office equipment and expert support to regional and local partners to ensure better access to housing solutions for the most vulnerable groups of war-affected people.</p> <p>Information materials for local communities on the types and modalities of the housing and reconstruction programmes will be developed and widely disseminated in cooperation with the Ministry for Communities, Territories, and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine, <i>inter alia</i>, through the respective call-center to be created by the Ministry.</p> <p>Targeted media campaign on housing solutions will be carried out with a focus on available programmes for reconstruction of damaged and destroyed housing.</p> <p>Information materials on the Council of Europe Development Bank mandate in the field of internal displacement and its targeted programs for IDPs, returnees and other groups of the war-affected people will be elaborated. Upon partners request technical support will be provided to facilitate cooperation initiatives with the Council of Europe Development Bank.</p>	<p>August 2023 – September 2024</p> <p>July – December 2023</p> <p>September 2023 – May 2024</p> <p>June 2023 – September 2024</p>	<p><i>Project partners upon their request</i></p>