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# COVENANT OF MAYORS IN UKRAINE: WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS GREEN RECONSTRUCTION

HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE

10-11 MAY 2023

## Covenant of Mayors

The Covenant of Mayors (CoM) is the world's largest movement for local climate and energy actions. The EU Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy brings together thousands of local governments voluntarily committed to implementing EU climate and energy objectives. The initiative now gathers 11,000+ local and regional authorities across 55 countries drawing on the strengths of a worldwide multi-stakeholder movement and the technical and methodological support offered by dedicated offices. Launched in the European Union in 2008, the CoM enlarged to other regions all over the world. The Global Covenant of Mayors is capitalising on the experience gained over the past eight years in Europe and beyond and is building upon the key success factors of the initiative: its bottom-up governance, its multi-level cooperation model and its context-driven framework for action.

The municipalities from the Eastern Partnership region (EaP) have picked up the flag and voluntarily committed to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, mitigate and adapt to climate change at the local level. With substantive support of the European Union, many of the municipalities have achieved tangible results in climate issues and improved energy efficiency of their local economies. The Covenant of Mayors has become a synonym of the success of bottom-up approaches in the region.

Ukrainian municipalities always demonstrated a leadership in the EaP region with the CoM initiative. As for today, almost 300 Ukrainian communities joined the CoM and developed 180 action plans to address energy and climate issues. The CoM signatories in Ukraine committed to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emission for over 25 million tons per year which is equivalent of over 1 trillion trees to be planted to absorb the equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> emitted.

## Conference and thematic workshops

The conference will give an opportunity to take stock of the progress of the Covenant in Ukraine, discuss the main bottlenecks and barriers encountered by many signatory cities during the ongoing large-scale war, provide effective recipes for success as well as outline the future of the initiative and EU support to Ukrainian municipalities from the perspective of the post-war recovery, Green Deal and other European initiatives.

Some 175 representatives from local and national authorities, associations of local authorities and other stakeholders from Ukraine and other countries will participate in the event. Representatives from EU institutions and EU Member States are expected to take part.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the conference, the CoM East secretariat will organise a meeting of the Municipal Development Coordination Platform that is aimed to facilitate a dialogue between national and local authorities on climate and energy issues. Site visits for participants on various implemented projects are foreseen as well.



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## AGENDA

### DAY 1 (10 MAY 2023)

*General moderation by Andriy Moskalenko, First Deputy Mayor of Lviv*

08.00 – 09:00	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS - WELCOME COFFEE	
09:00 – 09:25	<b>WELCOME ADDRESS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Gert Jan Koopman</b>, Director General, DG NEAR, European Commission (online)</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandra Azarkhina</b>, Deputy Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandr Krasnolutsky</b>, First Deputy Minister for Environment and Natural Resources (online)</li> <li>▪ <b>Olena Shulyak</b>, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Head of the committee on the organization of state power, local self-government, and regional development</li> <li>▪ <b>Andriy Sadoviy</b>, Mayor of Lviv</li> </ul>	
09:25 – 09:30	<b>VIDEO ON COM EAST IN UKRAINE</b>	
09:30 – 11:00	<b>PANEL I – COM IN UKRAINE: HOW TO ADDRESS MUNICIPAL NEEDS?</b> Moderated by <b>Oksana Kysil</b> , Country Expert for Ukraine, CoM East <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Marlene Rosemarie Madsen</b>, Head of Unit, Ukraine Service, DG NEAR, European Commission (online)</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandr Butenko</b>, Deputy Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Serhiy Suhomlyn</b>, Mayor of Zhytomyr</li> <li>▪ <b>Svyatoslav Pavlyuk</b>, Executive director, Energy Efficient Cities of Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Volodymyr Perehudov</b>, Senior project coordinator, GIZ</li> <li>▪ <b>Yevgen Udod</b>, First Deputy Mayor of Kryvyi Rih</li> </ul>	
11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK	PRESS CONFERENCE (personal invitations)
11:30 – 13:15	<b>PANEL II – RECOVERY AND RECONSTRUCTION OF UKRAINE: BOOSTING COOPERATION AT THE LOCAL LEVEL</b> Moderated by <b>Valentyna Poltavets</b> , Association of Amalgamated Communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Olena Shulyak</b>, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Head of the of the committee on the organization of state power, local self-government, and regional development</li> <li>▪ <b>Vitalii Bezhin</b>, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Head of the subcommittee on administrative and territorial organization of the committee on the organization of state power, local self-government, and regional development</li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Anna Zamazeeva</b>, Head of State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Mustafa-Masi Nayyem</b>, State Agency for Restoration and Infrastructure Development</li> <li>▪ <b>Oksana Prodan</b>, Association of Ukrainian cities</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandr Senkevych</b>, Mayor of Mykolayiv</li> <li>▪ <b>Svitlana Spazheva</b>, Mayor of Pokrovske</li> </ul>
13:15 – 14:15	LUNCH
14:15 – 15:45	<p><b>PANEL III – FUNDING MUNICIPAL PROJECTS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES</b></p> <p>Moderated by <b>Maksym Vereshchak</b>, Local Sustainable Development Coordinator, CoM East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Vyacheslav Rublev</b>, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Head of the subcommittee on regional policy and local budgets of the committee on the organization of state power, local self-government, and regional development</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandra Azarkhina</b>, Deputy Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Krzysztof Gierulski</b>, Policy Officer, Energy Efficiency, European Commission</li> <li>▪ <b>Georgiy Geletukha</b>, Association of Bioenergy in Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Violaine Silvestro von Kameke</b>, Senior Loan Officer, European Investment Bank (online)</li> <li>▪ <b>Yuliya Shevchuk</b>, Head of Representative Office in Ukraine, NEFCO (online)</li> <li>▪ <b>Yuriy Fomichev</b>, Mayor of Slavutych</li> </ul>
15:45 – 16:15	COFFEE BREAK
16:15 – 17:15	<p><b>PANEL IV – ENGAGEMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY INTO SUSTAINABLE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT</b></p> <p>Moderated by <b>Vitaliy Volkov</b>, Country Expert for Ukraine, CoM East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Andriy Martynyuk</b>, NGO “Ecoclub”</li> <li>▪ <b>Oleksandr Dombrovskyy</b>, Global 100% RE Ukraine</li> <li>▪ <b>Olga Polunina</b>, NGO “Ecoaction”</li> <li>▪ <b>Taras Kaluzhnyy</b>, Lviv municipal enterprise “Zelene Misto”</li> </ul>
17:15 – 17:45	<p><b>AWARD CEREMONY AND CLOSING SPEECH</b></p> <p>Moderated by <b>Iryna Horodyska</b>, Capacity Building and Helpdesk Coordinator, CoM East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Darya Mustafayeva</b>, Programme Manager, Unit C1, DG NEAR, European Commission</li> <li>▪ <b>New signatories (22)</b>: Bilohorodka community, Chernivtsi community, Hnivan community, Hora community, Kalush community, Kaniv community, Lviv community, Myrhorod community, Nosivka community, Novyy Buh community, Pervomajsk community, Pryshyb community, Poltava community, Poromiv community, Rohatyn community, Rozdilna community, Shepetivka community, Svalyava community, Sumy community, Truskavets community, Voznesensk community, Zvyahel community</li> </ul>
17:45 – 18:00	GROUP PICTURE
19:00 –	DINNER



## DAY 2 (11 MAY 2023)

09:00 – 11:00	<b>MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION PLATFORM MEETING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Presentation of the draft methodology for local energy plans development</li><li>√ Work in groups and discussion of the methodology</li><li>√ Dialogue with communities</li><li>▪ <b>Krzysztof Gierulski</b>, Policy Officer, Energy Efficiency, European Commission</li><li>▪ <b>Oleksandr Butenko</b>, Deputy Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine</li><li>▪ <b>Reform Support Team</b>, Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure development</li><li>▪ <b>Representatives of communities</b></li></ul>
11:00 – 11:30	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
11:30 – 14:00	<b>SITE VISITS</b> <p><b>Group 1. Presentation of the Concept for electromobility of Lviv community (Rynok sq. 1)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Oleh Zabarylo</b>, Director of department of urban mobility and infrastructure, Lviv city council</li></ul> <p><b>Group 2. Projects in waste management sector</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Rehabilitation of the Hrybovytsky landfill</li><li>√ Municipal composting centre</li><li>√ Municipal Solid Waste Mechanical and Biological Treatment Facilities</li><li>√ Sludge processing station for the treatment and utilization of wastewater and the production of biogas for cogeneration</li><li>▪ <b>Taras Kaluzhnyy</b>, Lviv municipal enterprise “Zelene Misto”</li></ul>
14:00 – 15:00	<b>LUNCH</b>