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EVENT CALENDAR

Seminar on Positioning for
BMOs Active in Lobbying and
Advocacy

Chisinau, Moldova
13-17.02.2017

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Seminar on Negotiation for
BMOs Active in Lobbying and
Advocacy

Yerevan, Armenia
20-24.02.2017

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Seminar on Positioning for
BMOs Active in Lobbying and
Advocacy

Baku, Azerbaijan
06-10.03.2017

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Regional Position Paper Discussion: Ukraine

On January 25 in Kiev Christian Gessl, East Invest 2 Key Expert on PPD, had a meeting with the team of CIPE Ukraine, as well as conducted a discussion on Regional Position Paper.

Anastasia Baklan, the National Facilitator for PPD Activity, East Invest 2 in Ukraine, and Gunther Fehlinger, who are expected to coordinate the work with Position Paper in EaP countries were also present.

It was agreed to update the format and content of the Round Table "Position of Ukrainian businesses to the government and international community", which will take place on January 27 in MIM-Kiev.



Leaders and top-managers of business associations, SME support organisations, government officials, experts and analysts will discuss the current version of Declaration and recommendation from private sector organisations for policy makers, present their views on its improvement and join this international initiative.

In the result of the round table it is expected to form and establish five working groups: Access to Finance; Access to market; Skills & Innovation; Investment & Business Environment; Tax & Customs.

The work will continue within these working groups, working out propositions of reforms and recommendations from the private sector for the further projects of European Commission in Ukraine and EaP Countries.

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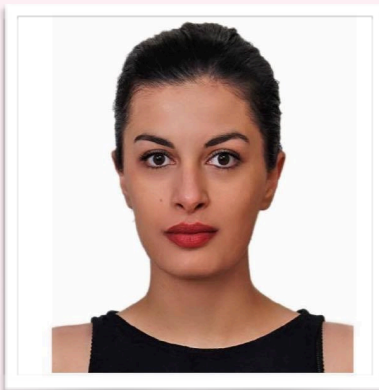
Galyna Yeromenko

Galyna Yeromenko is a PhD. In Law and the Director and a Trainer at the Ukrainian Mediation Centre. As of her specialization she is a scholarship holder of International Institute for Unification of Private Law (Rome, Italy), in 2001 participated in professional development program organized by the above mentioned institute. In 2004 she became the award co-winner (award after Yaroslav the Wise) granted by the Academy of Legal Sciences for Manual on Civil Law. Galyna participated in educational programs on business education development: INSEAD, (France), Irish Institute of Business (IMI, Ireland), Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM, Great Britain), etc. In 2010, Galyna was recognized as Weinstein fellow at JAMS Foundation (USA). Also she is a member of an international network of trainers in mediation (CEDR trainers-network). Galyna was accredited by CEDR (UK) as a mediator in accordance with international standards.



Since 2008 she is the Manager of the Ukrainian Mediation Centre under the Kyiv-Mohylyanska Business School. In April 2012 Galyna was appointed Chairman of the Commission for Mediation and Advisor to the President of ICC. She is a senior researcher of the Institute of State and Law after V.M. Koretsky of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. She has experience as a mediator in commercial, institutional, family disputes and conflicts. As a coach, she conducted trainings for mediators in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Belarus.

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Yeva Zeynalyan

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After Graduating Marketing and Commerce department of the French University in Armenia, she worked as a marketing manager for the TV channel Los Angeles, USA.

Also, she worked as a project manager in the US-based software company In Yerevan as a project manager. At the same time, Yeva is the founder of two start-up projects in Armenia.

Currently, Yeva is getting MA degree in international economic relations of the Yerevan State University. She speaks Armenian, Russian, English and French.

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Regional Position Paper: Why we do this?

In the upcoming Newsletters you will read a lot about the Regional Position Paper (RPP). Each time having a glance into the details of the one in a new country. The overall objective of the East Invest 2 Project is to support the development of a conducive, economic environment and competitive private sector while enhancing trade flows and investments between the EU Member States and the Eastern Neighbourhood.

One of the main targets is to ensure that BMOs (Business Membership Organisations)/Private Sector Organisations can effectively and efficiently contribute to the PPD in the 6 countries, and that, whenever possible, they speak with one voice to public authorities.

To allow BMO/PSO from all EaP countries to jointly express their concerns on the business environment in their countries addressing common issues shared by all or a majority of the countries East Invest 2 – PPD Activity supports the BMO/PSO community to formulate a Regional Position Paper.

The 6 EaP (Eastern Partnership) countries are: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine. In this issue, however, we have a small report on the event held in Belarus.



Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship (RCE) has organised the Round table “The road to a Regional Position Paper” on the 20th of January 2017 within the framework of Public Private Dialogue activities in Minsk, Belarus. More than 30 Belarusian participants such as BMOs, local entrepreneurs and NGOs that work in the economic field and international experts from Austria and Armenia have discussed the RPP addressing business environment in all EaP. Countries and on how Belarus and its Stakeholders will contribute to it.

During the Round table, the President of “SME CA” NGO Armenia, Mr. Avagyan, and the Director of the Business Union of Entrepreneurs and Employers, Mrs. Tarasevich, signed a Cooperation Agreement.

After the session, the Key Expert of East Invest 2, Christian Gessl, gave an interview to the “Belorussian Business Channel” talking about what the businesses in Belarus are missing. You can see the interview, following the link: https://www.facebook.com/bbch.by/videos/vb.481730748676760/625396007643566/?type=2&theater¬if_t=like¬if_id=1485287498749954

Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship, Association of Legal Entities

The Association of legal entities “Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship” was established on August 2nd, 2007 in Minsk on the initiative of regional and sectoral business associations. “National Business Platform of Belarus” became the uniting concept of the Confederation.

Annually this business community presents the Platform to the Government, governmental bodies of the Republic of Belarus, foreign partners and to the public in general. Leading industry business associations and economic enterprises are members of the Confederation. Republican Confederation of Entrepreneurship is a member of the Belarusian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the "Confederation of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs."



Business bodies under foundation within the framework of the Confederation are:

- **Chamber of Exporters**
- **Chamber of Importers**
- **Chamber of Investors**

It has representative offices in Latvia, Germany and in China. The Confederation signed an Agreement on Cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus that is in power for four years from 2016 to 2020.

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