

ECONOMIC FORUM

6TH EUROPE-UKRAINE FORUM Budapest, 12-14 May 2013



UKRAINE-EU: NEW APPROACHES TO CONFRONT OLD CHALLENGES

On 28th of October 2012, parliamentary elections were held in Ukraine. Are they to be considered a breakthrough moment in the country's brief independent history? Are they to change Ukrainian political stage? Will they bring stability and consolidate the opposition? What are the perspectives for cooperation with EU after these changes? How will it affect economy?

The topics of this year's Forum are shaped by recent trends in Ukraine and the EU's shift in the policy versus its eastern neighbor. The crucial questions defining future of Ukraine (the EU-Ukraine association agreement, energy security, economic reforms and restructuring process, the evolution of democracy and investment attractiveness) are to be discussed at the 6th Europe-Ukraine Forum.

MAIN POINTS OF THE PROGRAMME

- 2 days of debates and meetings;
- REPORT PRESENTATION: an analysis of the state of economy and political stage in Ukraine in 2012;
- PLENARY SESSION: crucial stakeholders will discuss economic and political cooperation between Ukraine and European Union;
- 8 DISCUSSION PANELS devoted to various topics defining Ukraine's political and economic reality;
- 2 DINNERS: an opportunity to meet personally with Forum's guests.

200 guests from Ukraine, EU, neighboring countries and USA, among them: leading politicians, businessmen, key stakeholders from European Commission, European Parliament, Experts, journalist of self-government and international organizations representatives.

CONTENT

PLENARY SESSION

Ukraine- EU: New approaches to old challenges.

PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT

Ukraine 2012. Report on transformation.

DISCUSSION PANELS: POLITICAL BLOC

- Ukraine's political landscape – is a consensus possible?
- EU-Ukraine Association Agreement and free trade area. A window of opportunity or just a game of deception?
- Ukrainian foreign policy directions.
- The rule of law – prospects for the progress of democracy.
- The media in Ukraine: between business and politics.

DISCUSSION PANELS: ECONOMIC BLOC

- European and Ukrainian energy security
- Prospects for agriculture-based business in Ukraine: a new opportunity for Europe?
- Ukrainian financial market – today's solutions vs. tomorrow's challenges.
- Investment climate vs. economic reforms .

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