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of Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

International Conference: **QUALITY OF ELECTIONS: MAKING DEMOCRACY STRONG**

23-24 July, 2009, Donetsk

Donbass Palace Hotel, 87, Artema str.

AGENDA



23 July 2009, Thursday

12.30 Lunch

14.00 Registration

15.00 **Opening**

- **Mr Ihor KOHUT**, Chairman of the Board, Agency for Legislative Initiatives
- **Ms Nataliya Voutova**, Deputy Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for the Co-ordination of Co-operation Programmes with Ukraine

15.15

Plenary Session “New Legislation on Presidential Elections and the Problems of European Election Standarts”

Moderator:

- **Mr Ihor KOHUT**, Chairman of the Board, Agency for Legislative Initiatives

Speakers:

- **Mr Volodymyr BOGATYR**, Deputy Head of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine
- **Mr Yuriy DONCHENKO**, Member of the Central Election Commission
- **Mr Sergiy KALCHENKO**, Lawyer of the "Moor & Krosondovich" Law Firm
- **Ms Oleksandra PAVLENKO**, Partner, Lawyer of the Law group "Pavlenko & Poberezhnyuk"
- **Mr Oleksandr KLYUZHEV**, Analytical Programmmes Coordinator of the Donetsk region organization All-ukrainian NGO "Committee of Voters of Ukraine"
- **Mr Denys KOVRYZHENKO**, Director of Legal Studies of the Agency for Legislative Initiatives

Questions and Answers. Comments

17.15 Coffee Break

18.00

Round Table “Fair and Democratic Presidential Elections: Ukrainian Perspective”

Moderator:

- **Mr Oleksandr KLYUZHEV**, Analytical Programmes Coordinator of the Donetsk region organization All-ukrainian NGO "Committee of Voters of Ukraine"

Speakers:

- **Mr Yevhen ZAKHAROV**, Chairman of the Kharkiv Human Rights Protection Group
- **Mr Igor ZHDANOV**, President of the analytical centre "Open politics"
- **Ms Olga MASHTAKOVA**, Consultant of the Department on methodological work and administrative and territorial division of the Organizational Supply Office of the council and its executive bodies of the Donetsk City Council

Questions and Answers

19.45

Reception

24 July 2009, Friday

10.00

Round Table “Presidential Campaign 2009-2010: the Role of Mass Media”

Moderators:

- **Ms Olena CHEBANENKO**, Expert, Programme Coordinator of Policy Analysis Unit of the Agency for Legislative Initiatives

Speakers:

- **Mr Oleksandr CHEKMYSHEV**, Head of the Equal Opportunities Committee
- **Mr Serhiy HARMASH**, Editor-in-Chief of Internet-edition “Ostriv”
- **Ms Kateryna KOTENKO**, Executive Director of the Television Industry Committee

12.00 Coffee Break

12.30 Round table continuation

Questions and Answers
Discussion

13.30 **Conclusions**

● **Mr Ihor KOHUT**, Chairman of the Board, Agency for Legislative Initiatives

14.30 Lunch

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