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International Conference: QUALITY OF ELECTIONS: MAKING DEMOCRACY STRONG

24-25 September 2009, Lviv

Dniester Hotel, 6, Matejka str.

AGENDA



24 September 2009, Thursday

13.00 Registration

13.30 **Briefing for Journalists**

14.00 **Opening**

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

● **Mr Myroslav SENYK**, Chairman of Lviv Regional Council

● **Ms Natalia BOGASHEVA**, Deputy Minister of Justice of Ukraine

14.30 Break

14.40 **Plenary Session “New Legislation on Presidential Elections: Problems of the European Election Standards Implementation and Ensuring the Quality of Elections”**

Moderator:

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

Speakers:

● **Mr Yuriy KLUCHKOVSKIY**, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Deputy Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee for Public Authorities and Local Self-Governance Development, President of the Election Law Institute

● **Mr Srdjan DARMANOVIC**, Professor, Director CEDEM, Faculty of Law at the University of Montenegro, Member of the Venice Commission for Montenegro

● **Mr Oleksandr PASENIUK**, Head of the High Administrative Court of Ukraine

● **Mr Denys KOVRYZHENKO**, Director for Legal Studies, Agency for Legislative Initiatives

● **Mr Alessio PECORARIO**, Member of the Secretariat at the Elections and Referendums Division of the Venice Commission, Doctor of the Comparative Constitutional Law, Faculty *La Sapienza*, Rome

- **Mr Ihor KURUS**, Member of the National TV and Radio Broadcasting Council of Ukraine
- **Mr Volodymyr KOVTUNETS**, Election Law Expert

Questions and Answers, Comments

17.30 Coffee Break

17.50 **Plenary Session “Elections 2010: Do Ukrainians Have a Choice? /Current Situation, Quality and Prospects for the Political Elite/**

Moderator:

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

Speakers:

- **Ms Natalya AMELCHENKO**, Head of the Political Research Department, National “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” University, Doctor of Philosophy
- **Mr. Anatoliy ROMANIUK**, Director of the Centre for Political Researches, Professor of the Political Science Department of Lviv Iv. Franka National University
- **Mr Taras VOZNYAK**, Editor-in-Chief of the “JI” Independent Culture Journal
- **Mr Myroslav MARYNOVYCH**, Vice Rector of the Ukrainian Catholic University
- **Ms Antonina KOLODIY**, Head of the Political Research and Philosophy Department, Lviv Regional Public Administration Institute, National Public Administration Academy under the President of Ukraine, Doctor of Philosophy, Professor

Questions and Answers

20.00 Reception

25 September 2009, Friday

10.00

Round Table “Conscious Choice and Quality of Political Dialogue: Role of Mass Media and Civil Society”

Moderator:

- **Mr Oleksandr CHERNENKO**, Head of the Committee of Voters of Ukraine

Speakers:

- **Ms Iryna BEKESHKINA**, Research Director of the Democratic Initiatives Foundation
- **Mr Andriy PAVLYSHYN**, Editor-in-Chief of the Western Analytical Group
- **Mr Mykhailo NAKHOD**, Head of Lutsk City Centre for Political Analysis and Election Consulting
- **Mr Oleksandr SOLONTAI**, Expert of the Institute of Political Education, Member of Zakarpattia Regional Council
- **Mr Oleksandr NEBERYKUT**, OPORA NGO Network

12.00

Coffee Break

12.30

Round table continuation

Questions and Answers

Discussion

14.00

Conclusions

- **Mr Yuriy KLUCHKOVSKYI**, Member of Ukrainian Parliament, Deputy Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee for Public Authorities and Local Self-Governance Development, President of the Election Law Institute
- **Mr Alessio PECORARIO**, Member of the Secretariat at the Elections and Referendums Division of the Venice Commission, Doctor of the Comparative Constitutional Law, Faculty *La Sapienza*, Rome
- **Mr Ihor KOHUT**, Chairman of the Board, Agency for Legislative Initiatives

14.30

Lunch

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