

# EASTWEST INSTITUTE

## *Ukraine, EU, Russia: Challenges and Opportunities for New Relations*

A conference initiated and organized by  
the EastWest Institute, in cooperation with the Carpathian Foundation and Ukrainian partners: the  
Institute for Regional and Euro-Integration Studies "EuroRegio Ukraine" and the National  
Association of Regional Development Agencies

Kyiv, 10-11 February 2005

Venue: "European Hall", President-hotel "Kyivski", Hospitalna str., 12

Languages: English and Ukrainian

**\*\*Please Note: The Chatham House Rule Applies\*\***

Thursday, 10 February 2005

8.30 - 9.00

**Registration**

9.00 - 09.15

**Words of Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**Mr John Edwin Mroz**, President and CEO, EastWest Institute

9.15-9.45

**Keynote speaker: Mr Borys Tarasyuk**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

9.45-11.00

Session I

***Ukraine after the changes: new priorities for the new leadership***

*Challenge of the session: What are the expectations, tasks and practical needs of Ukraine's leadership?*

**Chair: 1**

**Dr Oleksandr Pavlyuk**, Acting Plead of External Co-operation, OSCE, Vienna

**Speakers:**

**Mr Oleksandr Moroz**, Leader, Socialist party of Ukraine

**Mr Oleksandr Zinchenko**, State Secretary of Ukraine

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**Mr Volodymyr Vdovychenko**, Mayor of the City of Slavutych

**Mr Boris Sobolev**, Vice President of the Kyiv Bank Union

**Respondents:**

**Mr Ofer Kerzner**, Chairman of First Ukrainian Development, Kyiv

**Dr. Bohdan Hawrylyshyn**, Chairman of the International Centre for Policy Studies, Kyiv

7 / .00-11.30

**Special address: President Viktor Yushchenko (invited)**

11.30-12.00

**Coffee Break**

12.00-13.45

Session II

***European Neighbourhood Policy versus CIS integration: does Ukraine have to choose?***

*Challenge of the session: May the two frameworks of integration work together?*

**Chair:**

**Dr Vasil Hudak**, Vice President and Brussels Centre Director, EastWest Institute, Brussels

**Speakers:**

**Mr Ihor Dir**, Head of Department for European integration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

**Ms Ana Palacio**, Chairwoman of the Joint Parliamentary Committee for European Union Affairs and Former Foreign Minister of Spain, Madrid

**Mr. Viacheslav Stefankin**, Chief Counselor of the European Cooperation Department, Moscow

**Mr Jozsef Berenyi**, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic

**Mt Steffen Skovmand**, Acting Head of the European Commission Delegation to Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus

13.45-15.00

*Lunch*

15.00-16.15

**Session III**

***Ukraine, EU, USA and Russia: looking for a balanced road map***

*Challenges of the session: how should Ukraine's decision-makers balance Eastern and Western "vectors" of Ukrainian foreign policy? And how should Russia, EU and US develop a constructive approach to the new Ukraine after the changes?*

**Chair:**

**Mr Serhiy Maksymenko**, Director of the Institute for Regional and Euro-Integration Studies "EuroRegio Ukraine", Kyiv

**Speakers:**

**Mt Oleh Rybachuk**, Vice Premier for European Integration of Ukraine

**H.E. Mr Viktor Chernomyrdin**, Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Ukraine

**Mr Pirkka Tapiola**, Advisor for Ukraine, Policy Unit, General Secretariat, Council of the European Union

**H.E. Mr John E. Herbst**, US Ambassador to Ukraine

**Mr Jan Marinus Wiersma**, MEP and Vice-Chairman of the Socialist Group in the European Parliament, Brussels

16.15-16.45

**Concluding Remarks**

**H.E. Martti Ahtisaari**, Co-Chairman of the Board of Directors of the EastWest Institute and former President of Finland

**Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2005**

9.30-12.30

**Workshop 1**

*(Coffee break*

***Cross-border Co-operation between Ukraine and its***

*10.30-11.00)*

***neighbours***

**Chair:**

**Mr Sandor Koles**, Executive Director, Carpathian Foundation, Kosice

**Speakers:**

**Ms Sasha Havlicek**, Director of the Centre for Border Cooperation, East-West Institute

**Mr Valeriy Kokot'**, Acting Head of Department for Foreign Relations and Economy,

Chernihiv Oblast State Administration

**Mrs Oksana Muzychuk**, Director of the Agency for Regional Development and European Integration, Lviv

**Mr Vladimir Benc**, Slovak Foreign Policy Association, Bratislava

9.30- 12.30

(Coffee break

10.30-11.00)

**Workshop 2**

***Business and investment in the new Ukraine***

**Chair: Frank Neuman**, President of AM-TAK International and Member of the Board of Directors of the EastWest Institute

**Mr Jaroslav Mikitin**, General Director of the "Kakhovka Plant of Electric Welding Equipment", Ukraine

**Ms Nathalie Jaresco**, President and CEO of the Western NIS Enterprise Fund, Kyiv

**Mr Paul Bermingham**, Director for Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova, World Bank

**Mr Henrik Torgersen**, Executive Vice President of Telenor, Oslo

**Dr Irina Paliashvili**, President of the Russian-Ukrainian Legal Group

**Mr Lev Partshaladze**, Chairman of the Board, XXI Century Investments, Kyiv