



OECD Regional Development Policy Committee

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OECD Eurasia Competitiveness Programme

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ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Project aims to help the Ukrainian authorities implement decentralisation reform and strengthen public governance institutions at national and sub-national levels, throughout the country. It is jointly implemented by the OECD Regional Development Policy Division and the OECD Eurasia Competitiveness Programme, in close collaboration with the Government of Ukraine.

The project builds on the findings of the OECD *Territorial Review of Ukraine* (2014). It is co-financed by the **European Union**, and the **governments of the Czech Republic, Flanders (Belgium) and Poland**.

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OECD PROJECT ON SUPPORTING DECENTRALISATION IN UKRAINE





Objective and approach

In order to support the successful implementation of Ukraine's decentralisation reform, the project will provide both **analytical inputs** (analysis and policy recommendations) and **capacity-building activities** through a series of seminars in Kyiv and selected Oblasts, for public actors at different levels of government, as well as business community, academics and civil society involved in the decentralisation process.

The main objectives of the project will be to:

- update **territorial analysis** and performance indicators (with respect to the OECD 2014 report)
- assess **the progress and challenges** in the implementation of the decentralisation reform
- formulate **recommendations** for more effective multi-level governance based on an in-depth analysis of one or two **specific sectors**
- enhance **engagement with OECD** bodies and dissemination of project findings.



Expected results and main activities

The **analytical inputs** will comprise a report together with high-level meetings focusing on:

- Ukraine's recent territorial development and performance, including updated key territorial indicators
- Ukraine's decentralisation reform challenges and mechanisms to address these gaps
- case studies of sector decentralisation, highlighting OECD good practices, and including recommendations for enhanced multi-level governance in the selected areas.

The findings and recommendations will be published in a final **OECD Report** to be discussed at the OECD Regional Development Policy Committee (RDPC). The report will be launched at an **international conference** to be held in Kyiv in spring 2018.

The **capacity-building activities** will include eight seminars in Ukraine with participation of peer experts from Poland, Czech Republic and Flanders, as well as a study visit for Ukrainian officials and policy makers to discuss territorial planning and service delivery with EU and Flemish peers.



Partners and beneficiaries

The OECD Project will engage stakeholders at all levels of government and make recommendations for their benefit. Some of the key partners and beneficiaries will be:

- Ministry for Regional Development, Building and Housing of Ukraine (lead ministry)
- Ministry of Finance, all other line ministries
- regional authorities (including associations)
- elected and administrative staff at oblast, rayon and hromada level
- citizens of Ukraine, who will benefit from more effective and efficient operation of sub-national governments.