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CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM: THE VIEW OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY

February 16 – 18, Odessa, Ukraine

AGENDA

16 February 2007, Friday

15.00 **Opening**

- **Ihor KOHUT**, Chairman of the Board, Agency for Legislative Initiatives
- **Oleksandr PROKOPENKO**, Secretary of Odessa City Council
- **Mykola TYNDYUK**, Deputy Head of the Odessa Regional Council
- **Plamen NIKOLOV**, Adviser of the Directorate General of Political Affairs, Council of Europe
- **Vladyslav LUKYANOV**, MP, Deputy Head of the Committee on State Building, Regional Policy and Local Governments
- **Thomas MARKERT**, Deputy Secretary of the Venice Commission, Council of Europe

Briefing for journalists

Coffee Break

16.30

Panel 1: Constitutional Reform in Ukraine: Assessment of Results

Moderator:

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

Speakers:

- **Anatoliy MATVIENKO**, MP, First Deputy Head of the Committee on State Building, Regional Policy and Local Governments
- **Mykola KOZYUBRA**, Member of the National Commission for Strengthening Democracy and Rule of Law, resigned judge of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, Doctor of Sciences in Law, Professor
- **Sergiy HRYNOVETSKYI**, Member of the Odessa Regional Council
- **Sergio BARTOLE**, Professor of Constitutional Law, University of Trieste, substitute member of the Venice Commission
- **Volodymyr FESENKO**, Director of the Center of Applied Political Studies "Penta"
- **Denys KOVRYZHENKO**, Expert, Agency for Legislative Initiatives

Questions and Answers

19.00 Reception

17 February 2007, Saturday

10.00

Panel 2: Prospects of Further Reform of the Public Authorities in Ukraine

Moderator:

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

Opening statement:

- **Michel GUEGAN**, Vice-Chair of the Institutional Committee, Chamber of Local Authorities, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities

Speakers:

- **Volodymyr SHAPOVAL**, Representative of the President of Ukraine in the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, resigned judge of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, Doctor of Sciences in Law, Professor
- **Vladyslav LUKYANOV**, MP, Deputy Head of the Committee on State Building, Regional Policy and Local Governments
- **Anatoliy SELIVANOV**, Representative of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, Doctor of Sciences in Law, Professor
- **Yuriy KLUCHKOVSKYI**, MP
- **Victor TYMOSCHUK**, Head of the Centre for Political and Legal Reforms
- **Taras CHORNOVIL**, MP

- **Oleksiy HARAN**, Professor of the National University Kyiv Mohyla Academy, School for Political Analyses
- **Oleksandr STARYNETS**, Head of the Secretariat of the Socialist party faction in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

11.30 Coffee Break

11.45 Continuation of the Panel 1. Questions and Answers

13.30 Lunch

15.00 **Round Tables:**

New Format of Relations in the Parliament-President-Government Triangle

Moderator:

- **Volodymyr FESENKO**, Director of the Center of Applied Political Studies "Penta"

Questions for Discussion:

- New Model of Relations within this Triangle: its Strong and Weak Aspects
- Ways to Further Reform of the Public Authorities
- Reform of the Executive Branch: from Constitutional Amendments to the Administrative Reform

Constitutional Reform and Local Self-Governance

Moderator:

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

Questions for Discussion:

- Bill No. 3207-1: Assessment of its Relevance to the Current Challenges
- Ways to Improve the Administrative and Territorial System
- Role of Local Executive Authorities under the Conditions of the Local Self-governance Reform

16.30 Coffee Break

16.50 **Continuation of Round Tables**

17.50 **Conclusion of Round Tables**

19.30 Dinner

18 February 2007, Sunday

10.00 **Presentation of Round Tables Discussion Results**
Announcement of the draft Declaration and its discussion
Approval of the Declaration of the Public Forum

11.45 **Conclusion**

12.45 Lunch