

Final online conference “Transparency and Financial Health of Local Governments and State-Owned Enterprises in Ukraine”

Initiators: International Centre for Policy Studies (ICPS, Ukraine), Institute for Economic and Social Reforms (INEKO, Slovak Republic)

Venue: Kyiv, "Ukrinform" office (8/16 Bohdana Khmel'nitskogo str.)

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Background: The event is held within the initiative “Promoting transparency and implementation of anti-corruption measures in state-owned enterprises and local governments in Ukraine”, implemented by the International Centre for Policy Studies (ICPS), in partnership with the Institute for Economic and Social Reforms in Slovakia (INEKO). The initiative is financially supported by the Official Development Assistance of the Slovak Republic (SlovakAid).

The ranking "Transparency of State-Owned Enterprises in Ukraine" aims to improve the efficiency of the administration of state-owned enterprises. The transparency indicators of top 50 Ukrainian state-owned companies were analyzed and an interactive portal to display the results for individual companies was created.

Moreover, finalization of the project results on the transparency and financial health spheres will be useful for everyone who can use them as the source of information for evaluation of current Ukrainian and European trends regarding the information openness and economic sustainability of the local governments and state owned companies.

Issues to be discussed:

1. Presentation of the ranking "Transparency of state-owned enterprises in Ukraine".
2. Discussion on the updated results of other project rankings.
3. European experience with transparency of public companies.
4. The position of state authorities and the public regarding the awareness and actual problems of improving the current situation in the state-owned enterprises in Ukraine.

Agenda:

10.00 – 10.30 – welcome speech (Iryna Stepanova, ICPS; Peter Golias, INEKO)

10.30 – 10.50 – presentation of the interactive online platforms, review of methodology (Yehor Kyian, ICPS)

10.50 – 11.15 – results of the transparency rating of Slovak SOEs (Michal Piško, Transparency International Slovakia)

11:15 – 11:30 – experience of choosing chief persons in companies owned by Bratislava (Jan Mazur, Bratislava City Town Hall)

11.30 – 12.00 – the position of state authorities and the public on current issues of state-owned enterprises in Ukraine, final remarks.

Participants include state authorities, representatives of local authorities, NGOs, experts, the media and others.

Working languages: Ukrainian/English (with simultaneous translation).