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KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Vira Nanivska is the current Director of the International Centre for Policy Studies (ICPS) in Kyiv, Ukraine, and is regarded in her field as an active promoter of policy development, economic research and administrative reform throughout Central and Eastern Europe. She has been working in development when she completed her Ph.D. research at Institute of Oriental Studies of USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow, on the process of modernization in Japan. Since 1992, she has been in Kyiv permanently and has played an active role on many fronts in Ukraine's transition towards a market economy. She worked as Program Development Officer at the World Bank in Ukraine for five years.

As Director of ICPS since 1997, Ms. Nanivska is an active promoter of civil society and NGO development. ICPS is Ukraine's first public policy think-tank and was founded with the support of George Soros. Ms. Nanivska's leadership role in this area has contributed to the establishment of full-fledged public policy development and advocacy. This is being achieved by increasing the skills of government officials in formulating and debating policy alternatives, and the awareness of the general public of the benefits and costs associated with different policy options. Ms Nanivska has substantial experience in designing technical assistance programs and facilitating communications between international experts and the Government of Ukraine.

EMPLOYMENT

Present Position

Jan 1997 - Director, International Centre for Policy Studies (ICPS)

Responsible for overall direction of the Centre, including staff management and leadership to ensure the provision of research and economic commentary of the highest quality. In creating the first policy think-tank in Ukraine, the purpose of this position has been to establish full-fledged public policy development and consultancy.

Supervised, directed and participated in the following

projects:

1/ Assessment of the effectiveness of DFID civil society development strategy and projects in Ukraine.
Funded by Department for International Development.

2/ Assessment of the effectiveness of the UNHCR strategy to support Ukrainian NGOs working with refugees and asylum-seekers in Ukraine.
Funded by UNHCR.

3/ People's Voice Project, implementing mechanisms and procedures to promote public participation in building effective, responsible and open government and to ensure public participation in the policy-making process.
Funded by World Bank and Canadian International Development Agency.

4/ World Bank Country Economic Memorandum project.
Funded by World Bank.

5/ Analysis and optimisation of organisational and functional procedures at the Ministry of Economy and European Integration. Funded by MEEI.

6/ Development of methods for planning, monitoring, performance evaluation, and reporting at the Ministry of Economy and European Integration. Funded by MEEI.

7/ Development of strategic planning methods at the Ministry of Economy and European Integration.
Funded by MEEI.

8/ Developing Institutional Capacity for Economic Programs. Funded by CIDA.

9/ Policy Development Network for the Government of Ukraine. Funded by CIDA.

10/ Creation of policy analysis groups and an information resource center for the Government of Ukraine.
Funded by International Renaissance Foundation.

11/ Second Opinion and the Institutionalization of Public Consultation in the Policy Development Process in Ukraine. Advancement of the reform agenda in Ukraine by helping institutionalise public consultation in the policy development process within the Government of Ukraine, and the ability of civil society to articulate a 'second opinion' with respect to priority policy issues.
Funded by CIDA.

Previous Employment

- 1992 – 1997 **World Bank Resident Mission in Ukraine,
Program Development Officer**
- Advised and assisted World Bank managers in establishing dialogue with top Ukrainian government officials.
- Public Economic Education Program Manager**
- Designed and operated a program aimed at organising policy dialogue among Government officials at different levels, representatives of international financial organizations, NGOs, and media.
- 1985 – 1992 **Moscow State University, Russia
Senior Researcher, Senior Lecturer**
- Department of Psychology. Courses on Japanese Experience in Mobilizing Human Resources for Transformation, Japanese Management, Oriental Psychology.
- 1989 – 1992 **Institute of Social Policy, an NGO, Russia
founder and advisor**
- Consultant to Moscow District Administration on communication with NGOs and social sector reform. Mobilized resources and managed a program for a US study tour by Moscow prefects, on the role of Government in social work in November-December 1991.
- 1966-1979 **English Language Teacher
Moscow State University, L'viv State University,
Kyrgyz Pedagogical Institute**

EDUCATION

Academic Qualification

- 1985 USSR Academy of Sciences, Institute of Oriental Studies,
Moscow
Japanese department, PhD in "Mobilization of human resources for modernisation in Japan".
- 1983 Moscow State University
Department of Psychology, graduate studies
- 1966 L'viv State University

PUBLICATIONS

NGO Development in Ukraine. (July, 2001) Federal Trust for Education Research. ICPS Report for Publication in the EU and Ukraine.

Achieving Consensus for Reforms in Ukraine. (September, 2001) USAID Partners in Transition II Conference. Sofia, Bulgaria.

The Need for Public-Private Partnership in Transition Countries: A View From Within. (May, 2001) Prague, Czech Republic.

Weak Institutions and Consequences for Government. (March, 2001) Economic Forum on Transparency and Good Governance in Economic Matters. Budapest, Hungary.

Can Accelerated Transformation Be Successful? Ukraine needs realistic reforms now. (January, 2000) Development Outreach. Kyiv, Ukraine.

What Went Wrong With Foreign Advice in Ukraine? (August, 1999) Transition Magazine.

The Impact of Soviet Legacy on Reforms in Ukraine. Presentation to the 1999 NATO ECONOMICS COLLOQUIUM.

LANGUAGES

Native – Ukrainian

Fluent in Russian, English, Polish. Knowledge of Japanese.