

# CLUSTERS MEET REGIONS: EUROPEAN CLUSTERS INTEGRATING UKRANIAN CLUSTERS AND COMPANIES INTO EU VALUE CHAINS

Kasarne Kulturepark, Kosice, Slovakia

#### 29 MARCH 2023

Morning session:

- 1st Slovak Cluster Conference (only Slovak clusters)
- Site Visits

#### 13:00-13:45 **REGISTRATION**

## 13:45-14:00 Introduction by the organisers

- Master of ceremony: Teodora Jilkova, European Cluster Collaboration Platform
- Host: Artur Bobovnicky, Director of Innovations Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

#### 14:00 - 14:15 Welcoming address

- Jakub Boratynski, Dírector Networks & Governance, DG GROW, European Commission
- Rastislav Trnka, President of the Košice Self-governing Region (tbc)
- Alexander Duleba, UA Advisor for Prime Minister of Slovakia
- Taras Holub, Advisor for Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine

#### 14:15 – 15:15 Regional Economic Development

Input paper presentation: **Dr. Jan-Philipp Kramer,** Team Leader 'Data & Policy', European Cluster Collaboration Platform

Moderator: Lucian Jega - DG REGIO Policy officer, Slovakia (tbc)

- Alexander Yourchak, Head of Ukrainian Cluster Alliance
- Daniel Acs Head of Union of Slovak Clusters
- Antonio Novo, President of the European Cluster Alliance
- Martin Svoboda, Director General, Section of Competitiveness, Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic















- Danys Shemyaken, Director of Reform Support Team of the Ministry of Economics of Ukraine
- Maria Radvanska, Head of EEN, Slovakia

#### 15:15 - 16:00 High Level Session

Keynote Speech: Eduard Heger, Prime Minister of the Slovak Republic

- Maive Rute, Deputy Director General DG GROW, European Commission
- Karel Hirman, Minister of Economy of the Slovak Republic (tbc)
- Olha Stefanishyna, Vice Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine (tbc)

#### 16:00 - 16:30 Break

#### 16:30 – 17:30 Interregional collaboration

Moderator: **Marek Przeor**, Team Leader Cluster Policy, DG GROW, European Commission

- **Slawomir Tokarski** Director Transnational Collaboration Regio, European Commission
- Miria Hučková, Cluster Director Košice IT Valley
- Olga Trofymova, Head of Internationalization program of the Ukrainian Cluster Alliance, CEO of UAMC
- Peter Keller, Ministry of Finance, Hungary

### 17:30 - 19:00 Practical aspects on doing business with Ukraine

Moderator: Martine Diss, senior expert, DG GROW, European Commission

- Volodymyr Panchenko, Head of Analytic Center of the Ukrainian Cluster Alliance
- **Andrii Lytvyn,** Deputy Director of the Ukrainian Entrepreneurship and Export Promotion Office
- **Sergiy Tsivkach,** CEO of UkraineInvest
- Lukáš Parízek, CEO of EXPORTERS
- Alexander Duleba, UA Advisor for Prime Minister of Slovakia
- Pawel Kurtasz President of Polish Investment and Trade Agency (tbc)
- **Genadij Chyzhykov,** Head of EEN Ukraine and President of the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Oksana Ocheretiana, member of the Management board of the Ukraine "Export Credit Agency"
- Svitlana Mykhailovska, Deputy Director at European Business Association Ukraine
- Representatives of local authorities of Slovakia (Prešov, Košice) and of Ukraine (Transkarpatia, Lviv, IvanoFrankivsk) (tbc)

#### **30 MARCH 2023**

8:30 – 9:00 **REGISTRATION** 















## 9:00 – 10:00 Funding opportunities and interregional collaboration

Moderator: Marek Przeor, Team Leader, Cluster Policy, DG GROW

- **Anna Jarosz-Friis**, Acting Director of the Ukraine Service, DG NEAR, European Commission (tbc)
- Alessandro Tappi, Chief Investment Officer, EIG Department, European Investment Fund
- **Igor Guzhva,** Deputy Director of the State Scientific Research Institute for Information and Economic Modeling
- Martine Diss, Senior Expert, DG GROW, European Commission
- Johan Magnusson, DG REGIO
- Natalija Dolya, DG RTD
- Dr.-Ing. Christian Bölling, Director EIT Manufacturing Central

## 10:00 - 10:30 Pitching Session (round I)

10:30-11:00 Break

11:00-12:00 Pitching Session (round II)

12:00-12:30 Break

12:30-13:30 Matchmaking (Round I)

13:30 – 14:30 NETWORKING LUNCH

14:30 -16:30 Matchmaking (Round II)

## 16:30 - 17:00 Wrap up, closing, next steps

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- Artur Bobovnicky, Director of Innovations, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency
- Daniel Acs, Head of Union of Slovak Clusters
- Alexander Yourchak, Head of Ukrainian Cluster Alliance
- Krzysztof Krystowski, vice-president of European Cluster Alliance













