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XIV CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

DECEMBER 5, 2025

KYIV, MYSTETSKYI ARSENAL



MAIN STAGE

9:30 - 10:30

Forum opening. Welcome remarks by special guests. Keynote speech by Pavlo Kazarin

10:40 - 11:00

Without Leaving Home: Online CSO Registration, As New Service From the Ministry of Justice
Olha Riabukha, Deputy Minister of Justice for Digital Development, Digital Transformations and Digitalization

11:00 - 12:20

Panel discussion: Strategic (Un)Certainty: How to Make Decisions About the Future in Times of Turbulence (in partnership with UNDP)

12:40 - 14:00

Donor Projects Fair

UNDP; GIZ Ukraine; EU Anti-Corruption Initiative (EUACI); International Renaissance Foundation; UNICEF Ukraine; IREX; Erasmus+ (National Office); European Endowment for Democracy; Ukrainian Cultural Foundation; Ukrainian Youth Foundation; Ukrainian-Danish Youth House; Ukrainian Veterans Fund; Poroshenko Foundation; Cowater International; ISAR Ednannia

14:30 - 15:50

Panel Discussion: Localizing Responsibility: How Donors and Civil Society Mature Together

16:10 - 17:30

Panel Discussion: Ukraine 3.0: How can we become the centre of a new geometry of democratic alliances? (in partnership with the International Renaissance Foundation)

17:30 - 18:30

Awards ceremony. Forum artistic closing. Secret guest

HALL OF WARTIME THINKING

10:30 - 11:30

Oksana Zabuzhko

Topic: Rewriting Grand Narratives: On the Power of Words, or How We Should Speak About Our War

11:30 - 12:00

Autograph session with **Oksana Zabuzhko**

12:00 - 13:00

Pavlo Klimkin

Topic: Diplomacy of Trust: How Civil Society Represents Ukraine to the World

13:00 - 14:00

Public interview with Serhiy Prytula

Format: Q&A session

14:00 - 15:00

Glib Bitiukov

Topic: Notes from the War: Live

15:00 - 16:30

Vitaliy Portnikov

Topic: Being Ukrainian During an Existential War

16:30 - 17:30

Open conversation with **Olena Herasymiuk**

SMALL STAGE

11:00 - 12:20

Panel Discussion: Building Bridges: How to Maintain Connections with Ukrainians Living Under Temporary Occupation
(in partnership with the Partnership Fund for a Resilient Ukraine)

12:40 - 14:00

Panel discussion: Integrity in Education: A Luxurious Maximum or an Essential Minimum?
(in partnership with EUACI)

14:30 - 15:50

Panel Discussion: Saving Ourselves, Saving the World: Ukrainian Capital Supporting Civil Society (in partnership with the Frontier Institute)

16:10 - 17:30

Panel Discussion: Power that Protects and Rebuilds: Veterans as the Foundation of National Resilience
(in partnership with the Ministry of Veterans Affairs and the IREX)

CIVIL SOCIETY PULSE THEMATIC SECTIONS

ALL THE MONEY IN THE WORLD

11:00 - 12:20

Financial Sustainability Cases

- Against Corruption NGO
- Welfare Green NGO
- Center for Adult Learning & Education Pivden NGO
- Tvory! Network

12:40 - 14:00

Case-Session

Ukrainian Fundraising Conference: Fundraising Partnerships 101

14:30 - 15:50

Panel Discussion

Insights from Small Grants Projects for Social Service Providers
(in partnership with UNICEF)

16:10 - 17:30

Fundraising cases detailed

- UPS! Life in My City NGO
- United by Determination NGO
- Paragraf Social Consulting
- Building Ukraine Together (BUR) NGO

UNCENSORED CONTENT - MEDIA TRACK

11:00 - 12:20



Cases of Impactful, Engaging Content

- Friends of Brands
- Oleh Kryshchop (History for Adults YouTube channel)
- Valentyn Krasnopiorov (The Last Capitalist YouTube channel)

12:40 - 14:00

Conversation

Toronto TV — What's wrong with Ukrainian YouTube (and with Toronto TV too)

14:30 - 15:50

Cases: Secrets of Engaging Content

- Connection Agency
- National Association of Media NGO
- Old School, School of Communications and Management
- Mykola Malukha (Price of the State YouTube channel)

16:10 - 17:30



Conversation

Emma Antoniuk and Yana Brenzei (BURNING YouTube channel) – Abandon All Hope, Ye Who Enter Here or What We Are Not Told About Social Media

FROM RAPID RESPONSE TO SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

11:00 - 12:20

Cases of Practical Solutions for Strengthening Organizations

- Charitable Foundation Rii
- Tetiana Rudenko and Nataliia Zaverukha
- Charitable Foundation Together for Ukraine
- Mercy Corps Ukraine

12:40 - 14:00

Panel Discussion

Dobra Dolja Interactive Learning Association – From Learning in Crisis to Quality Standards: How Educational Components Become the Foundation of Sustainable Services

14:30 - 15:50

Cases of Resilience

International Renaissance Foundation – What We Do to (with)Stand: Solutions from NGOs in Frontline Communities

16:10 - 17:30

Panel Discussion

IREX – From Rapid Response to Sustainable Solutions

WORLD, LISTEN UP TO UKRAINE!

11:00 - 12:20

Cases of Voices that Are Heard

- Sahaidachnyi Security Center NGO
- Ukrainian Witness NGO
- Window of Recovery NGO

12:40 - 14:00

Panel Discussion

We Build Ukraine NGO – New Architecture of Defence Capability: Business, Science, and Civil Society

14:30 - 15:50

Conversation

MEZHA Center for Democratic Change – International Advocacy for Ukraine's Interests: How to Help Rather Than Harm

16:10 - 17:30

Workshop

Network for the Protection of National Interests
ANTS – Securing Victory: From Ukraine's Agency in the World to Building a State of Gratitude

UKRAINIAN UKRAINE

11:00 - 12:20

Cases: The Power of Our Identity

- Natalia Kryvda
- Yevhen Klopotenko
- Centre for Joint Actions NGO
- From the Country to Ukraine Social Innovation Fund

12:40 - 14:00

Public Discussion

Knyzhkove Zernia NGO – Literary Code of the Nation: Texts that Shape Identity

14:30 - 15:50

Public Discussion

House of Europe - Events that Hold Us Together: How Culture Strengthens Communities During War

16:10 - 17:30

Panel Discussion

School of National Identity Coalition of Organizations – Ukrainian Ukraine: From the Choice to the Dimension of Identity

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

11:00 - 12:20

Cases: Power of Partnership

- Relief Coordination Center
- MHP-Gromadi Foundation
- Starlight Media
- Fiscal Policy Research Center

12:40 - 14:00

Panel Discussion

Democracy Promotion Fund NGO – Defensive Democracy: How Can We Support Defence Capability Without Sliding into Dictatorship?

14:30 - 15:50

Panel Discussion

Other Approach NGO - Ethics of Cross-Sector Cooperation

16:10 - 17:30

Panel Discussion

ISAR Ednannia – State Policies for Civil Society: A Tool for Change or a Mere Formality?

CHILDREN'S SPACE

11:00 – 17:30

Animators, interactive and creative activities, and workshops for children and parents (in partnership with SpivDiia). A separate cloakroom for the youngest participants is available, and a shelter is nearby

MUSEUM IN THE DARK THREE AFTER MIDNIGHT

11:00 – 17:30

Workshops and interactive activities from the Three After Midnight Museum (Foundation 03:00) Braille writing, tactile games for the blind and a practical workshop on supporting people with visual impairments

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DETAILED AGENDA



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The Civil Society Forum is hosted by ISAR Ednannia - Ukrainian civil society organization that has been strengthening civic engagement and fostering a culture of partnership between the state, business, and the non-profit sector for over 30 years.

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Safety: A shelter is available at the event venue. In case of an air raid alert, participants will be guided to a safe location. While evacuation is required for everyone's safety.

EXHIBITION AREA

VETERAN AND SOCIAL BUSINESSES FAIR

9:30 - 17:30

- Veterano Coffee Café @veterano.coffee.kyiv
- Batart.UA Charitable Veterans' Workshop batart.army
- Lazer Style Company lazer-style.com.ua
- Dovgan-Art Ceramic Pottery Studio @dovganartceramic
- TRAVKA Organic Tea travka.in.ua
- Sushena Radist (Dried Joy) sushenaradist.com.ua
- Dynastia Riasnykh dynastiya-riasnyh.com.ua
- Tobí @tobiteua
- Eco-farm Kozatske Podviria kozak-craft.com.ua
- 3.14BAN 314ban.com
- FUNNY OWLS Creative Workshop @funnyowls_woodcraft
- Vbrani Social Enterprise @vbrani
- Commando Coffee Co. Veterans Coffee Company @commando.coffee.co
- Marko Melnyk Publishing House markobook.com.ua
- ItsCraft Social Enterprise itscraft.com.ua
- Ukrainer store.ukrainer.net
- FrontMed Social Enterprise frontgift.com.ua
- GoRodyna Social Enterprise @gorodyna_schoolbiz
- Creative Industries Center KreaSfera @creasphere2024
- Mykola Social Farm @family.farm.mykola
- Tavrian Painting Workshop @MykolTaurianSouvenirs
- Idyllia Family Ranch & Brave Hearts NGO @idyllia_horses
- Skhidnyi Variant Shop shop.v-variant.com.ua
- Syaivo Books Bookshop and Café syaivobooks.com.ua

NGO ALLEY. ALLEY OF EVERYTHING

9:30 - 17:30

- Eleos-Ukraine
- Typhoon Special Operations UAV Unit
- Communication Center (Kyiv City Administration)
- All-Ukrainian Youth Center
- Poroshenko Foundation
- Serhiy Prytula Charity Foundation
- UAnimals
- 100% Life Kyiv Region
- Stabilization Support Services
- Caritas Ukraine
- Ukrainian Volunteer Service
- Ukrainian Deminers Association
- Ukraine Incognita NGO
- Dignitas Charity Foundation
- International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX)

VETERAN AND ADAPTIVE SPACE ZONE

11:00 – 18:00

Rehabilitation Through Sport Zone (BANDA CrossFit)

A basic CrossFit space for veterans: demonstrations of adaptive workouts and short sports challenges for everyone interested.

Adaptive Sports: Demonstration Zone (Ukrainian Mass Sports Agency — Adaptive Sports Department Unstoppable 4.5.0)

- Arm wrestling for people with visual impairments
- Showdown for people with visual impairments
- Golf for veterans
- Powerlifting for adaptive athletes
- Boccia for people with disabilities

ART AND PARTNER'S EXHIBITIONS

9:30 - 17:30

- THE LIGHT DOES NOT DIM PHOTOEXHIBITION (UNDP)
- ONE-BOOK READING ROOM EXHIBITION (UNDP)
- MODERN SCHOOL CANTEENS: STEPS TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION EXHIBITION (EUACI)
- ANTI-CORRUPTION JOURNALISM IN ACTION INTERACTIVE ZONE (EUACI)
- HISTORICAL FIGURES AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF UKRAINE AS PHILANTHROPISTS PHOTO EXHIBITION (Philanthropists)
- TOGETHER WE CARE. TOGETHER WE ARE EUROPE (European Union)
- BOOK FOR DEFENDERS INITIATIVE (Syaivo Books bookstore and the Cultural Forces Platform)

COMMUNITY CIVIC INITIATIVE EXHIBITION

9:30 - 17:30

BEST PRACTICES OF CROSS-SECTOR COOPERATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FROM ACROSS UKRAINE

- Vzirets NGO – Scaling up the work of the SAMPLE pre-medical aid center
- Dobrovoltsi-Vohnobortsii NGO – Firefighters+. Supporting the creation and development of volunteer fire brigades
- Green Art Tour NGO – EcoCommunity: Acting Together
- Novomoskovsk District Perspektyvy NGO – The Power of Agro-Change – IMPACT Farming
- Regional Development Agency of the Tavria Association of Territorial Communities NGO – School of Changemakers and School of Activists
- My Ye Poruch NGO – Apitherapy and Shaieva Hora Recovery Center
- Art Kryla NGO – Reviving Slobozhanshchyna Embroidery: Threads of Memory and Unity
- Central Ukrainian Regional Association of Museum Workers – Museum and Community: A Space of Unity
- History in Hands NGO – History in Hands
- Baba Yelka NGO – One Hundred Expeditions of Baba Yelka: The Ethnographic Face of Kropyvnytskyi Region
- Center for Sustainable Initiatives NGO – Cultural Experiments Lab Feel Zdolbuniv
- Community Foundation Podilska Hromada – Museums in Schools
- The Future Belongs to You Youth NGO – School Social Enterprise Project GoRodyna
- Tvoya Opора Charity Foundation – Creating a neonatal intensive care unit at the Kyiv Regional Perinatal Center
- Center for Expert Solutions and Advocacy NGO – Recreational therapy methodology (therapeutic gardens)
- Community Foundation of Voznesensk Charity Organization – Step by Step
- Brother's Shoulder Veterans' Association NGO – Public space Veteran PRO
- Women of Bessarabia NGO – Bootcamp for Girls: Youth School of Leadership, Safety, and Action
- Active Youth of Vasylikiv Region NGO – Restoration of the Youth Center TON and support for local youth and IDPs
- Viken NGO – Day care services for children with disabilities in Kyiv
- Laboratory of Military-Political Solutions – Blockpost Veterans' Rehabilitation Space
- 100% Life Rivne Network Charity Organization – Shelter of Saint Olha
- I Help Charity Foundation – Social taxi Road of Life of the South
- Depaul Ukraine Charity Foundation – From Homelessness to a Dignified Life
- Center for Social Services and Rehabilitation Dzhelero – Providing early intervention services in the Lviv community
- Ukrainian Monolith NGO – Clothing brand OTAKOI
- Center for Adult Learning and Education Pivden – Tavrian Painting Workshop
- TOM14 NGO – Svoi Liudy Legal initiative (Our People Legal initiative)

