

## Education, training and inclusion: transformation during crises

**Date:** September 15-16, 2022, 09:45-14:00 (Kyiv time)

**Venue:** Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, Centre for Innovative Educational Technologies "PNU EcoSystem", 57, Shevchenko str, Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine

**The event will be organised in hybrid form - online and personal participation.** During registration, the participant can choose the form of participation (online/personal).

**Registration link:** <https://bit.ly/3dhOuzn>

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Ukraine has become the first non-EU country to preside in the European Union Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) in 2022. One of the thematic priorities of the Presidency, Ukraine has chosen "Development of human capital and labour markets", which corresponds to the topic of this conference. With no doubt, investment in professional training and education is the key to economic development and a faster exit from the crisis. The COVID-19 pandemic and later Russia's illegal armed aggression against Ukraine dealt a heavy blow to the stability of the Danube region, labour markets, provoked migration, unemployment problems, and exacerbated the importance of an inclusive approach to the issue of employment and training more than ever. In such a difficult time for the Danube region, it is important to successfully transform the existing social and educational systems, promote inclusiveness, digitization of education, social innovations and labour mobility.

### Goals and objectives of the conference:

- Bring up for public discussion the issue of inclusion in the field of professional training and on the labour market in conditions of crisis in the region;
- Consider the basis of the problem of transformation of professional education during the war;
- Discuss existing and planned legislative changes in the field of professional education, adult education (lifelong education), social policy and the labour market;
- Consider the issue of refugees from Ukraine and IDPs in the context of the functioning of labour markets and new approaches to employment;
- Discuss the main financial instruments, programs, and projects.

### Participants of the conference:

- National coordinator of Ukraine in the EU Strategy for the Danube Region;
- Officials of the involved ministries;
- Representatives of the European Commission;
- Representatives of development partners;
- Representatives of institutions of higher and vocational education;
- Representatives of regional departments of education;
- Mass media.
- Scientific and methodological centers for vocational education

## AGENDA

Thursday, 15 September, 09:45 - 14:00 (Kyiv time)

09:45 – 10:00	Registration and connection of participants
10:00 – 10:20	<p>Welcome speech, goals, and objectives of the conference</p> <p><b>Igor KORKHOVYI</b>, National Coordinator of Ukraine in the EUSDR, Deputy Minister of Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine for European Integration (online)</p> <p><b>Oleksiy SHKURATOV</b>, Deputy Minister of Education and Science for European Integration (online)</p> <p><b>Hanna PROROK</b>, Deputy Minister of Social Policy of Ukraine for European Integration (online)</p> <p><b>Johan MAGNUSSON</b>, DG Regio, European Commission (online)</p> <p><b>Benjamin BOBBE</b>, Regional representative of the Hanns Seidel Foundation in Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Romania (online)</p> <p><b>Ihor TSEPENDA</b>, Rector of the Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University</p>
10:20 – 10:35	<p><b>Viktor KIMAKOVYCH</b>, Director of the Department of Education and Science of the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional State Administration</p> <p><b>Kostyantyn GOY</b>, Deputy Head of Odesa Regional State Administration for Digital Development, Digital Transformations and Digitalization</p> <p><b>Oksana SAKRIER</b>, Director of the Department of Education and Science of the Chernivtsi Regional Military Administration</p>
10:35	Online survey Menti Metr (prepare questions)
10:45	<p><b>Panel discussion 1. Transformation of vocational education during the war</b></p> <p><i>Moderator: Nadija Afanasieva, director of the Ukrainian Institute for International Politics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Changes in the legislation of Ukraine regarding vocational education</li> <li>- Creation of inclusive products, best practices</li> <li>- Digital and green transformations (digital and green transitions) of professional education and adaptation to EU standards</li> <li>- Ensuring spatial inclusion in vocational education institutions</li> <li>- Training of the adult population with the aim of ensuring equal access to labour markets for all social groups</li> </ul>

	<p>- Promoting the development of youth and social entrepreneurship</p> <p>Participants:</p> <p><b>Iryna SHUMIK</b>, General Director of the Directorate of Vocational Education of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine</p> <p><b>Oleksiy SYTNYK</b>, Expert on Decentralization of the Department of Vocational Education, Reform Support Team of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine</p> <p><b>Alessandra MOLZ</b>, Skills Development Specialist, International Labour Organization Office for Central and Eastern Europe (online)</p> <p><b>Iryna BIELIAIEVA</b>, head of the Department of Youth Policy, Ministry of Youth and Sports of Ukraine (online)</p> <p><b>Anastasia HOLOTENKO</b>, Coordinator of the community of career consultants, Career Hub (online)</p> <p><b>Oksana DZHUS</b>, Head of the Department of Professional Education and Innovative Technologies, Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Professor</p> <p><b>Volodymyr MELNYK</b>, Director of the Vocational School No.7 (Kalush city)</p>
<p><b>12:15</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee break</b></p>
<p><b>12:30 – 14:00</b></p>	<p><b>Panel discussion 2. Social inclusion and adaptation in the conditions of war</b></p> <p><i><b>Moderator: Nadija Afanasieva</b>, director of the Ukrainian Institute for International Politics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Social innovation and social partnership</li> <li>– Work programmes with refugees from Ukraine in the EU countries, adaptation, and training</li> <li>– Inclusion caused by war: psychological rehabilitation, social adaptation, career counselling, personal and professional development</li> <li>– Implementation of modern European practices of inclusive and productive employment of persons with disabilities into national legislation</li> </ul> <p>Participants:</p> <p><b>Oksana POLIAKOVA</b>, Director General of the Directorate of Social Protection of the Rights of People with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine (online)</p> <p><b>Maria MARGINTER</b>, Project Coordinator at OeAD – Austria's Agency for Education and Internationalisation (online)</p> <p><b>Maryna TVERDOSTUP</b>, Vienna Institute of International Economic Studies (online)</p> <p><b>Jörg MIRTl</b>, Research and Project Manager, L&amp;R Social Research, Vienna (online)</p> <p><b>Serhiy BOHDANOV</b>, Director for the Center of Mental Health and Psychosocial Aid of the Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (online)</p>

	<b>Svitlana FOMINA</b> , Director of the State Rehabilitation Institution "Center for Complex Rehabilitation for Persons with Disabilities "Donbas"
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**Friday, 16 September, 09:45 - 14:00 (Kyiv time)**

<b>09:45 – 10:00</b>	Registration and connection of participants
<b>10:00</b>	<p><b>Panel discussion 3. Labour markets and new employment approaches</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Gennadiy RUSANOV</b>, Coordinator of expert group, Polish part of the Program "EU4Skills: Best skills for modern Ukraine"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Improving access to the labour market, paying special attention to internal migration and remote regions</li> <li>– Support of voluntary labour mobility</li> <li>– Professional adaptation of people with disabilities as a result of the war, development of an inclusive labour market</li> <li>– The policy of "dual intentions" for citizens of Ukraine at the EU level</li> </ul> <p>Participants:</p> <p><b>Yuliia ZHOVTIAK</b>, director of the State Employment Service of Ukraine  <b>Liudmyla VASYLEGA</b>, director of the Centre for Competences and Human Capital Development, Federation of Employers of Ukraine  <b>Julian HIEBL</b>, Austrian public employment service (online)  <b>Cristina MEREUTA</b>, European Training Foundation (online)  <b>Thomas LIEBIG</b>, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (online)  <b>Ave LAUREN</b>, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (online)  <b>Oksana LAPA</b>, Head of the Laboratory of Scientific and Methodological Support for the Training of Specialists in Colleges and Technical Schools, Institute of Professional Education of the National Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of Ukraine.  <b>Vasyl KASHEVSKY</b>, President of the Volyn Resource Centre, Ukraine (online)  <b>Liudmyla AKIMOVA</b>, National Agency of Qualifications of Ukraine (online)  <b>Linards ZVAIGZNE</b>, Employers' Confederation of Latvia (online)</p>
<b>11:40</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<p><b>Panel discussion 4. Sectoral financial instruments / programmes / projects</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Nadija Afanasieva</b>, director of the Ukrainian Institute for International Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Danube Region Programme 2021-2027</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– HORIZON Europe</li> <li>– PA9 EUSDR as a platform for stakeholders cooperation</li> <li>– Examples of successful PA9 projects</li> </ul> <p><b>Johan MAGNUSSON</b>, DG Regio, European Commission (online)  <b>Roland HANAK</b>, Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy of Austria (online)  <b>Jürgen SCHICK</b>, Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research of Austria (online)  <b>Stephen HALLIGAN</b>, Danube Region Programme (online)  <b>Zhanna TALANOVA</b>, director of the EU project "National Tempus Office Erasmus+ in Ukraine" (online)  <b>Michael PAULO</b>, Project Director, EU4Skills / Vocational Integration of Internally Displaced Persons in Ukraine (online)  <b>Marko STERMŠEK</b>, European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (online)  <b>Biljana RADONJIC KER-LINDSAY</b>, European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (online)</p>
<p><b>13:40 – 14:00</b></p>	<p>Summary and conclusions</p>