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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: **Renata Magulova**, Deputy Director General, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

14:00 – 14:15 Welcoming address

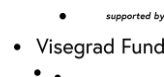
- **Jakub Boratynski**, Director Networks & Governance, DG GROW, European Commission
- Representative of Kosice Self-governing Region
- **Alexander Duleba**, UA Advisor for Prime Minister of Slovakia
- **Taras Holub**, Advisor for vice-Prime Minister of Ukraine

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

- **Martin Svoboda**, Director General, Section of Competitiveness, Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic
- **Denys Shemyakin**, Director of Reform Support Team of the Ministry of Economics of Ukraine
- **Daniel Acs** – Head of Union of Slovak Clusters
- **Maria Radvanska**, Head of EEN, Kosice
- **Krzysztof Krystowski**, Vice-president of European Cluster Alliance
- **Alexandre Yurchak**, Head of Ukrainian Cluster Alliance



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15:15 – 16:00 High Level Opening Session

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

Keynote Speech: Denys Shmyhal, Prime Minister of Ukraine

- **Peter Švec**, Deputy of Minister of Economy of the Slovak Republic
- **Maive Rute**, Deputy Director General DG GROW, European Commission

16:00 – 16:30 Break

16:30 – 17:30 Interregional collaboration

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

- **Krzysztof Cieciora**, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Poland
- **Peter Keller**, Head of Department at the Managing Authority for Economic Development Programmes, Prime Minister's Office, Hungary
- **Marlene Rosemarie Madsen**, Head of Unit DG NEAR
- **Johan Magnusson**, Team Leader, EU Strategy for the Danube Region and for the Baltic Sea Region, DG REGIO, European Commission
- **Miriama Hučková**, Cluster Director Košice IT Valley
- **Olga Trofymova**, Head of Internationalization program of the Ukrainian Cluster Alliance, CEO of UAMC

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
- **Gennadiy Chyzhykov**, Head of EEN Ukraine, President of Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- **Andrii Lytvyn**, Deputy Director of the Entrepreneurship and Export Promotion Office
- **Svitlana Mykhailovska**, Deputy Director at European Business Association
- **Sergiy Tsivkach**, CEO of UkraineInvest
- **Oksana Ocheretyana**, Member of the Management Board, "Export Credit Agency" Ukraine
- **Lukáš Parízek**, CEO of EXPORTERS
- **Diana Polonyi**, International Relations Director, EXIMBANKA SR
- **Pawel Kurtasz**, President of Polish Investment Agency
- **Alexander Duleba**, UA Advisor for Prime Minister of Slovakia

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8:30 – 9:00 REGISTRATION

9:00 – 10:30 Funding for investments and interregional collaboration

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

- **Johan Magnusson**, Team Leader, EU Strategy for the Danube Region and for the Baltic Sea Region, DG REGIO, European Commission
- **Martine Diss**, Senior Expert, DG GROW, European Commission
- **Natalija Dolya**, Policy Officer, DG RTD
- **Janis Aizsalnieks**, Policy Officer, DG NEAR
- **Anna Haiduchok**, Project Manager GIZ
- **Dr.-Ing. Christian Bölling**, Director EIT Manufacturing Central
- **Alessandro Tappi** – Chief Investment Officer, European Investment Fund
- **Olena Voloshina**, International Finance Cooperation Ukraine
- **Andriy Dligach**, CEO, Advanter Group / co-founder, Ukrainian Wooden Houses Cluster

10:30 – 12:00 Pitching Session

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

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

- **Daniel Acs**, Head of Union of Slovak Clusters
- **Alexander Yourchak**, Head of Ukrainian Cluster Alliance
- **Antonio Novo Guerrero**, President of the European Cluster Alliance