



2022

# PUBLIC FARMER FORUM

Towards Rebuilding Ukraine

November 15–16, 2022

The Large Conference Hall of the National  
Academy of Sciences of Ukraine  
Kyiv, Volodymyrska str., 55.

## PUBLIC FORUM

«SMALL PEASANT FARMS AND FARMING  
HOUSEHOLDS IN WARTIME AND  
POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION OF  
UKRAINE: POLITICAL DIALOGUE»

# AGENDA



During the active warfare period, small peasant and farming households demonstrated intense activity, strong capacity, and flexibility in delivering self-produced food to Ukrainians despite broken supply chains and blocked external agricultural export-import channels. Indeed, they supplied most of the potatoes, vegetables and fruits, milk, meat, and eggs to local markets before the war without having adequate state institutional support. The need for fundamental changes in the Ukrainian agricultural policy to improve its friendliness to small-scale agricultural producers has become obvious. Small farmers play a key role in the post-war rebuilding of Ukraine and will continue to do so. Therefore, they require special attention and support coming from the state and society. To this end, the Association of Farmers and Private Landowners (AFLU), the academic community, and the civil society of Ukraine and Europe initiate the Public Forum «**Small Peasant Farms and Farming Households in Wartime and Post-War Reconstruction of Ukraine: Political Dialogue**».

**The purpose of the Forum** is to include small farmers' and peasants' problems in the agenda of the President, Government, and Parliament of Ukraine, to establish a political platform for the inclusion of peasant and farming households into the Plan for the Reconstruction of Ukraine as an equal player in Ukraine's food system, to develop and implement further steps for the development of the food system at the local level and the sustainability of the state democratic system. The role and importance of small peasant and farming households in guaranteeing the human right to high-quality and safe domestically produced food, developing local markets, and short agri-food chains will be highlighted with the participation of representatives from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the EU Commissioner for Agrarian and Rural Development, the European academic community and associations of small farmers and peasants in Europe.

Farmers, Ukrainian and International experts, representatives of state power, and civil society will exchange views and elaborate joint solutions to create a favorable institutional environment in Ukraine, preserve and build the potential of the peasant-farming system, and guarantee Ukrainians the constitutional right to domestically produced food.

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## FIRST DAY 15.11.2022

9:30 – 10:00 REGISTRATION

### OPENING SESSION

«**THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PEASANT-FARMING SYSTEM FOR THE POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION OF THE ECONOMY OF UKRAINE**»

**Anatoliy ZAGORODNIY** – President of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

10:00 – 10:20 **Monika STANNY** – Director of the Institute of Rural and Agricultural Development, Polish Academy of Sciences

**Viktor SHEREMETA** – Deputy Minister of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine 2017-2019, Vice-President of AFLU

### MODERATORS

**Valeriy GEYETS, Olena BORODINA, Lyudmyla SHEVCHENKO**

### FIRST SESSION

«**THE DEVELOPMENT AND PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT RECOVERY PLAN OF UKRAINE – FOCUS ON AGRICULTURE AND SMALL FARMERS**»

**Oleksiy DNIPROV** – Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine

10:20 – 10:45 Ukrainian Farming in National and Global Food Systems: Markers of Post-War Development  
Q&A session

**Taras VYSOTS'KYI** – First Deputy Minister of the Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine

10:45 – 11:10 State Support for the Development of Farm Agriculture in the War and Post-War Period  
Q&A session

**Valeriya MATVIENKO** – Head of Zaporizhzhia AFLU

11:10 – 11:30 Farmer's Plan for the Post-War Reconstruction of the National Small-Scale Production and War Losses Compensation  
Q&A session

**Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI** – European Commissioner for Agricultural and Rural Development

11:30 – 12:00 European Values on the Support of Small Farming and the Need for Constant Dialog between State and Farmer  
Q&A session

12:00 – 12:15 COFFEE BREAK

### SECOND SESSION

«**REGIONAL COOPERATION AND COMMITMENTS OF INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO SUPPORT HUMAN RIGHTS IN FOOD SYSTEMS IN THE CONTEXT OF WAR**»

**Raimund JEHLE** – FAO Regional Programme Leader for Europe and Central Asia (FAO REU)

12:15 – 12:35 The Role of Small Producers in Food Security and the Importance of Science and Innovations in their Support  
Q&A session

**Pierre VAUTHIER** – FAO Head of Country Office

12:35 – 12:55 FAO Activities in Ukraine  
Q&A session

**Jan Krzysztof ARDANOWSKI** – Member of Parliament, Chairman of the Council for Agriculture at the President of Poland, former President of the Agricultural Self-Government and Agricultural Chambers, and former Minister of Agriculture.

12:55 – 13:15 The Necessity in Political Dialogue to Develop the Principles of Agricultural Policy and Food Security  
Q&A session

**Wiktor SZMULEWICZ** – President of the National Council of Agricultural Chambers of the Republic of Poland

13:15 – 13:30 State Support of Small Farmers' Involvement in Political Dialogue  
Q&A session

13:30 – 14:30 LUNCH BREAK



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### THIRD SESSION

«**FARMERS' PERSPECTIVE ON THE FOOD SECURITY IN WARTIME AND POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION OF UKRAINE**»

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**Viktor GONCHARENKO, Svitlana GAPONYK**

14:30 – 14:40 **Ramona DUMINICIOUI** – Representative of Eco Ruralis, small scale farmers association of Romania

14:40 – 14:50 **Ivan TOMYCH** – Honorary President of AFLU

14:50 – 15:00 **Ruslan HOMYCH** – Head of the Volyn regional AFL, Head of Lebediya Farm

**Vasyl SHAKUN** – National Academy of Legal Sciences of Ukraine  
15:00 – 15:10 Peculiarities of Legal Regulation of the Agricultural Lands Turnover  
Q&A session

**Christophe GOLAY** – Senior Research Fellow and Strategic Adviser on ESC Rights of Geneva Academy of International  
15:10 – 15:30 Humanitarian Law and Human Rights  
The Right to Land as One of the Key Rights of Peasant Farmers

15:30 – 15:40 **Vitaliy CONFEDERAT** – Head of Confederate Farm, Odesa region

15:40 – 15:50 COFFEE BREAK

**Anna DANYLIAK** – Coordinator of the Agricultural Ecology Project of NGO Center for Environmental Initiatives Ecoaction  
15:50 – 16:00 Ecological Component of Post-War Reconstruction (following the results of regional round tables)

15:50 – 16:00 **Mykola STRYZHAK** – Head of Sojus Farm

16:10 – 16:20 **Ivan YAKUB** – Vice-President of AFLU, Head of Sonata Farm, Chernigiv region

16:20 – 16:30 **Andriy KUZMYCH** – Head of Rivne Region AFL

16:30 – 16:40 **Oleksandr SCHERBYNA** – Head of Fenix Farm, Dnipropetrovsk region

16:40 – 17:00 Q&A SESSION

### FORTH SESSION

**ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION OF SMALL FARMERS PARTICIPATING IN THE FORUM**

17:00 – 17:30 Towards Strengthening the Political Dialogue – Final Word from Civil Society with an Appeal to Ukrainian Politicians and International Institutions

17:30 – 20:00 INFORMAL COMMUNICATION, DINNER

## SECOND DAY 16.11.2022

**Meeting with farmers and peasants of Nalivaykivka Major District, Makariv TC, Bucha Rajon, Kyiv region**

8:30 Departure from the "Premier Hotel", Kyiv, Hospitalna str., 4.

10:00 Arrival at the Pohepyn village, Nalivaykivka Major District

10:00 – 10:45 Meeting with Ivan Myschenko, Head of Svitnok Farm

10:45 – 11:30 Meeting with Lesya and Ivan Slobodjan, founders of family micro-business «Dystylyarnya KraftSAD», Pohepyn village.  
Tasting of local self-produced products.

11:45 – 12:45 Meeting with members of peasants' households, Nalivaykivka Major District

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch in the Nalivaykivka village

14:00 – 15:00 Meeting with Margaryta Terehova, Head of Nalivaykivka Major District

15:00 Departure

17:00 Arrival in Kyiv, Hospitalna str. 4

The event will take place in a hybrid format.



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