



## High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine

III Annual International Conference

***“The Legal Status of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine: ways to improve qualification and disciplinary institutions in light of the constitutional reform”***

### AGENDA

28-29 October 2013

President Hotel

12, Hospitalna Str.

Kyiv, Ukraine



**Strengthening the Independence,  
Efficiency and Professionalism of the  
Judiciary in Ukraine**



## Sunday, 27 October 2013

Time	Activity
16:00-19:00	<b>Sight-Seeing Tour across Kyiv for international participants</b>

## Monday, 28 October 2013

Time	Activity
09:00-09:30	<b>Registration of participants</b>  Morning coffee
09:30-10:00	<b>Opening of the Conference:</b>  <b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b> , Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine;  Greetings from <b>Mykola Azarov</b> , Prime Minister of Ukraine (declaring by <b>Andrii Bohdan</b> , Governmental Commissioner on anti-corruption politics of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine);  <b>Mr Vladimir Ristovski</b> , Ambassador, Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe in charge of the co-ordination of the Council of Europe co-operation programmes, Head of Office of the Council of Europe in Ukraine;  <b>Ms Christina Danielsson</b> , Counsellor of the Embassy of Sweden, Head of Reform Cooperation in Ukraine;  <b>Ms Lilit Daneghian</b> , Co-ordinator of the Project on Strengthening the Independence, Efficiency and Professionalism of the Justice System in Ukraine.
10:00-10:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Enhancement of the guarantees of the independence of judges—main issue of the constitutional reform</b></li></ul> <b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b> , Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine.

10:10-11:00	<p><b>Words of salutation – Reports:</b></p> <p><b>Ms Hanna Suchocka</b>, Vice-President of the Venice Commission, Former Ambassador of Poland to the Holy See;  <b>Mr Viacheslav Ovcharenko</b>, Chairman of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Yaroslav Romaniuk</b>, Chairman of the Supreme Court of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Ihor Temkizhev</b>, Chairman of the High Administrative Court of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Vasyl Onopenko</b>, Chairman of the Council of Judges of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Ruslan Kyryliuk</b>, Head of the State Court Administration of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Oleksandr Udovychenko</b>, Deputy Chairman of the High Council of Justice;  <b>Mr Pavlo Hvozdyk</b>, Deputy Chairman of the High Specialized Court of Ukraine for Civil and Criminal Cases;  <b>Mr Viktor Moskalenko</b>, Deputy Chairman of the High Commercial Court of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Yurii Diomin</b>, Deputy Prosecutor General of Ukraine;  <b>Mr Mårten Ehnberg</b>, Deputy Head of Mission, Counsellor of Embassy of Sweden.</p>
11:00-11:30	Coffee break

<p><b>PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p><b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine</p>	
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11:30-11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Measuring and improving the quality of justice</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr John Stacey</b>, President of the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice;</p>
11:45-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adoption of the international experience of the High Qualification Commission of judges of Ukraine in brining judges to the discipline liability</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Mykola Melnyk</b>, Member of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine;</p>
12:00-12:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judicial Education – Judicial Excellence</b></li> </ul>

12:15-12:30	<p><b>Mr Donald Chiasson</b>, Director of the Legal and Education Programming of the National Judicial Institute of Canada;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judicial Conduct trends in Canada</b></li> </ul>
12:30-12:40	<p><b>Mr Norman Sabourin</b>, Executive Director and General Counsel of the Canadian Judicial Council;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pre-trial settlement: practical aspects of the implementation in administrative justice</b></li> </ul>
12:40-13:00	<p><b>Mr Oleh Hlukhanchuk</b>, Chairman of the Odessa Regional Administrative Court;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pre-trial settlement in civil proceedings: achievements and prospects</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Leonid Lichman</b>, Chairman of the Malynovskyi District Court of city Odessa;  <b>Mr Taras Antoniak</b>, Chairman of the Ivano-Frankivsk City/District Court of Ivano-Frankivsk region.</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The experience of the EU-Council of Europe project on enhancing judicial reform in the Eastern Partnership countries in improving the system of judicial accountability in Ukraine</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Carsten Mahnke</b>, expert of the project of Council of Europe “Strengthening the Independence, Efficiency and Professionalism of the Judiciary in Ukraine”;</p>
14:15-14:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The experience of realization of powers of the High Qualification Collegium of Judges of the Russian Federation and the strengthening of the legal status of the Collegium</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Mykola Timoshyn</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Collegium of Judges of Russian Federation;</p>
14:30-14:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The role of the National School of Judges of Ukraine of preparing highly qualified cadres for the judicial system of Ukraine</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Ms Natalia Shuklina</b>, Acting Rector of the National School of Judges of Ukraine;</p>
14:45-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The procedure of lifetime appointment of judges in Georgia</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Paata Silagadze</b>, Judge of the Supreme Court of Georgia;</p>
15:00-15:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cooperation of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of</b></li> </ul>

	<p align="center"><b>Ukraine with professional judicial associations</b></p> <p><b>Mr Viktor Horodovenko</b>, Chairman of the Appeal Court of Zaporizhzhia Region, representative of Ukraine in the Consultative Council of European Judges of the Council of Europe.</p>
15:15-15:45	Coffee break
15:45-16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The legal nature and role of disciplinary liability of judges</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Ivan Nazarov</b>, Decent of subdepartment of arrangement of judicial and law-enforcement agencies of the National University "Yaroslav the Wise Law Academy of Ukraine", doctor of Law;</p>
16:00-16:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The collaboration between the USAID Fair Justice Project and the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine in implementing standardized, transparent and objective procedure for bringing judges to disciplinary liability</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Ms Natalia Petrova</b>, Deputy Chief of USAID FAIR Justice Project;</p>
16:15-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The standards for bringing judges to disciplinary liability in Georgia, USA</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Richard Hyde</b>, Member of the Qualification Commission of Judges of Georgia, USA.</p>
16:30-17:00	Discussion
17:00-17:30	<p><b>Closing remarks:</b></p> <p><b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine.</p>

**Tuesday, 29 October 2013**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
	<p align="center">Moderator:</p> <p><b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine</p>
09:00-09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Selection procedure of judges in Ukraine in the light of European standards</b></li> </ul>

09:15-09:30	<p><b>Mr Anatolii Martsynkevych</b>, Secretary of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Appeal Court of Khmelnytskyi Region;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Independence of judges: the experience of Lithuania</b></li> </ul>
09:30-09:45	<p><b>Mr Vigintas Višinskis</b>, Judge of Appeal Court of Lithuania, Member of Council of Judges, Professor of Mykolas Romeris University;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The ways of becoming a judge in Poland – further development</b></li> </ul>
09:45-10:00	<p><b>Mr Grzegorz Borkowski</b>, Judge, Representative of International cooperation department of the Polish National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution, Doctor of Law;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Activity of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine in ensuring judges’ right to work</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Mykhailo Zhernakov</b>, Judge of the Vinnytsia Regional Administrative Court, PhD of Law.</p>
10:00-10:30	Discussion
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Experience of study visits of Ukrainian judges to Strasbourg – center place of main European institutions</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Serhii Stasiuk</b>, Judge of the Commercial Court of Kiev, PhD of Law;</p>
11:15-11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Role of the Judicial-Legal Council of Azerbaijan Republic as a body of judicial self-government in improving of the efficiency of justice</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Rafail Aliyev</b>, Judge of Baku City Nasimi District Court of the Republic of Azerbaijan;</p>
11:30-11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Activities of the High Council of Justice and its accessory bodies in light of recent changes in legislation</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Ms Tatiana Raducanu</b>, Judge of Supreme Court of Justice of the Republic of Moldova, Vice Chairman of the Disciplinary Colleague of the High Council of Justice.</p>
11:45-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The role of High Council of Justice and Prosecutors in service training</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Engin Durnagol</b>, Deputy General Secretary of the High Council of</p>

12:00-12:15	<p>Justice and Prosecutors of Turkey Republic;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Disciplinary responsibility of judges: problems of the legal regulation</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Ms Lidiia Moskvych</b>, Decent of subdepartment of arrangement of judicial and law-enforcement agencies of the National University "Yaroslav the Wise Law Academy of Ukraine";</p>
12:15-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Legal status of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine: theoretical and practice principles and possibilities of improvement</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Mr Vitalii Kosovych</b>, Deputy Dean of the Law faculty of the Ivan Franko National University of Lviv.</p>
12:30-13:00	Q&A: Discussion
13:00-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:40	<p><b>Presentation of the draft recommendations on the conclusions of the conference:</b></p> <p><b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine.</p>
14:40-15:00	<p><b>Closing remarks:</b></p> <p><b>Mr Ihor Samsin</b>, Chairman of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine.</p> <p><b>Ms Lilit Daneghian</b>, Co-ordinator of the Project on Strengthening the Independence, Efficiency and Professionalism of the Justice System in Ukraine.</p>
16:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Cocktail -dinner</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>9, Mekhanizatoriv str., Kyiv, Ukraine</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Venue: Premise of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine</i></p>