

## **Slovak-Ukrainian Business Forum 2024**

### **Connectivity of Ukraine - the gateway to Europe**

Deputy Minister of Economic Development Trade and Agriculture of Ukraine, Mr. Taras Kachka together with Deputy Prime Minister, Peter Kmec have decided to take a patronage of Slovak – Ukrainian Business Forum 2024. The Forum is also being established in the context of the of the adopted Framework for Slovakia's Engagement in Ukraine's Reconstruction. The Forum happens also together with Intergovernmental Commission for economic collaboration between Slovak Republic and Ukraine.

#### **The main line of the Forum**

The main line of the Forum is CONECTIVITY. The Forum will create a space for Slovak and Ukrainian businesses, EU and international actors to find a space for CONECTIVITY of Ukraine with the Slovak Republic and the European Union at different levels. In particular, the Forum is a gateway for the establishment of Slovak and Ukrainian cooperation for the business environment, and the relationship between the state and the business environment. The primary focus of the Forum is to harmonize and link business relations between Ukraine and Slovakia. The main theme of the Forum is also the expansion and strengthening of business cooperation and economic ties between Ukraine and the Slovak Republic.

#### **Objectives and desired results**

The aim of the Forum is to maximize synergies and create a real platform for exchange of experience, technologies and business opportunities.

#### **The main objectives of the Forum include:**

To strengthen business ties between Slovak and Ukrainian companies and enterprises. To present initiatives and policies of the Slovak Republic in relation to Ukraine and its future development. To present the financial support provided by the Slovak Republic to Ukraine and to strengthen the dialogue between actors. Promote activities in the framework of Slovak-Ukrainian trade relations.

#### **Event details**

Date: 7 November 2024

Venue: Hotel Yasmin, Košice

Organizers: The Office of the Deputy Prime Minister for the Recovery and Resilience Plan and the Use of EU Funds, the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic, the Slovak Agency for Investment and Trade Development (SARIO), Ukrainian partners (state and business organizations)

#### **Event formats**

1. Panel
2. Presentation by SARIO and the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister for the Recovery Plan and the Use of EU Funds and the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce - What are the activities for the Ukrainian-Slovak business ecosystem?
3. Workshop of International Financial Institutions
4. Matchmaking companies, B2B Meetings.
5. Side event in collaboration with UN - Habitat and UNICEF SR. A joint project that will bring together the activities of UN -Habitat and in particular UNICEF-Pathways.