

Department for Transport

UK Ukraine Transport Partnership (UUTP) Newsletter 01.

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Welcome message from Stephen Benzies, Deputy Director, Transport Sanctions and Ukraine Recovery

Welcome to our first newsletter for the UUTP and let me start by offering my thanks to you all for your continuing support to our Ukrainian allies in their fight against Russia's illegal invasion. We all know how vital transport is to any country, for individual people in their daily lives and for national economies. In Ukraine, today, it is also essential for helping to win the war through movement of vital aid and goods to and from the front lines. However, transport will also be crucial to Ukrainian success and growth at the end of the conflict, as, together, we help this great nation build back greener, more resilient and with technology and innovation at its core. I am looking forward to working with you all on the plethora of opportunities to support Ukraine, now, and to also rebuild Ukraine in the years ahead.

Department for Transport officials attend relaunch of the UK-Ukraine Infrastructure Taskforce in Warsaw, Poland

On 2nd August, Business and Trade Minister Ghani and Deputy Prime Minister for Restoration of Ukraine Kubrakov relaunched a revitalised UK-Ukraine Infrastructure taskforce. The revitalised taskforce's key objectives will be to support the Government of Ukraine in the recovery of vital public infrastructure, and to help build partnerships between UK and Ukrainian businesses.

During the meeting, attendees, who also included Deputy Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Anna Yurchenko, Head of Kyiv Regional Military Administration Ruslan Kravchenko, Mayor of Kharkiv, Ihor Terekhov and head of the Agency for Restoration (SARDI) Mustafa Nayyem, discussed priority areas for reconstruction.

The Department for Transport (DfT) attended to provide input on key transport reconstruction needs and were pleased that DPM Kubrakov and Mustafa Nayyem identified transport reconstruction as a priority, with a focus on road and rail reconstruction, development of Danube Port Infrastructure and shipping routes along the Dnipro. The DfT will work closely with colleagues from the Department for Business and Trade to progress suitable projects, with potential for members of the UK Ukraine transport partnership to participate in future working groups to help inform this work. As the strategy for this work develops, we will be writing to members to ask for expressions of interest in participating in these groups. Please do get in touch with DfT if you are keen to discuss these opportunities further.

The Taskforce will meet on a quarterly basis and will be supported by a Strategic Trade and Industry Group.

ReBuild Ukraine – 14-15 November 2023, Warsaw, Poland.

The UK Government took part in the ReBuild Ukraine conference held in Warsaw in February 2023. Following this and the success of the Ukraine Recovery Conference in London over the summer, ReBuild Ukraine will be holding the second international exhibition and conference on 14-15 November 2023. The exhibition will provide a platform for international businesses to showcase expertise in several sectors including infrastructure, industry, energy, and housing required to rebuild Ukraine's war-torn economy.

The Department for Business and Trade is offering UK businesses the opportunity to showcase UK expertise at the UK ReBuild Ukraine Pavilion. If you are interested in one of the limited number of places, please apply through the expression of interest.

Where possible, priority will be given to companies:

That are currently exporting to or partnering with Ukraine or that have actively expressed interest in working with Ukraine;

That did not participate in the previous ReBuild Ukraine conference (February 2023);

That are Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs);

That provide UK-wide regional representation;

With expertise and operations in the following sectors, energy, infrastructure (housing), social infrastructure (healthcare and education), transport, raw and processed materials, humanitarian demining, and telecoms.

While HM Government will be covering the costs of the pavilion, including the entry charge, we are unable to contribute to travel, accommodation, and subsistence for the event.

Please follow <https://eu.eventscloud.com/website/12481/> to express your interest. Applications will be open from 25th September – 6th October.

There is also the option to arrange a stand for your business directly through the organisers, for more information, please follow this link <https://rebuildukraine.in.ua/en>

Further information on ReBuild Ukraine can be found on <https://rebuildukraine.in.ua/en>

Sharing your details with HMG departments

To ensure that your organisation as a member of the UUTP is receiving information on events and opportunities at an early stage, we are seeking permission to share your business details with the Department for Business and Trade. If you are content for this to be done, please email UUTP@dft.gov.uk to confirm.

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