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<b>Abstract</b>	The deliverable provides a short summary of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> <b>Stakeholder Forum on Enhancing Ukraine’s Competitiveness in RI on the way to the Association to Horizon 2020</b> . The 2nd Stakeholders’ Forum aimed to provide a forum for Ukrainian and EU stakeholders (including policy makers, NCPs, researchers and other actors in the field of research and innovation) to facilitate the exchange of good and transferable practices and defining common interests.
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## Executive Summary

This document provides an overview of the 2<sup>nd</sup> *Stakeholder Forum* organized in the frame of the BILAT-UKR\*AINA Project. It highlights activities related to and in preparation to the Forum, activities during the event itself, as well as conclusions and feedbacks from participants.

The **Second Stakeholder Forum** was held in **Kyiv, Ukraine, on 27th-28th January 2015** under the title '**Enhancing Ukraine's Competitiveness in RI on the way to the Association to Horizon 2020**'. The event attracted approximately 70 participants from Ukraine and the EU (both EU Member States and Associated Countries). The event aimed to provide a forum for Ukrainian and EU stakeholders (including policy makers, NCPs, researchers and other actors in the field of research and innovation) to facilitate the exchange of good and transferable practices and defining common interests.

Lessons learnt and good practices in the process of Ukraine's association to the EU Framework Programmes, the enhancement of the NCP system, as well as STI policies and measures to promote innovation were in the focus of the event. In addition to the presentations by invited experts the forum offered opportunity for discussions.

Since Ukraine will officially associate to Horizon 2020 in the first quarter of 2015, the relevance of the event was obvious. Research and innovation are highly important fields in which Ukraine is developing closer ties with the EU.

The event was hosted by the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU) and organized by the Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development (RCISD), the Hungarian project partner, backed with the support of the project coordinator Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI) and the rest of the consortium.

Twenty-six presentations were delivered during the two-day event. The presentations were followed by the moderated discussions.

Conclusions of the two-day event were summarized by the rapporteur, George Bonas (BILAT-UKR\*AINA Expert Review Panel member) by pointing out the most relevant practices and lessons learnt from EU Member States which serve as inspiring examples for Ukraine. Examples of good cooperation between EU Member States and Ukraine were demonstrated and quite probably deepened through the formal and informal discussions.

## 1 OBJECTIVES

The 2nd Stakeholders' Forum aimed to provide a forum for Ukrainian and EU stakeholders (including policy makers, NCPs, researchers and other actors in the field of research and innovation) to facilitate the exchange of good and transferable practices and defining common interests.

The second Stakeholders' Forum of the project therefore aimed to put a special focus on

- accumulating the experiences and best practices of EU Member States (MSs) and Associated Countries (ACs) to Horizon 2020 regarding the procedure of the association, exploitation of opportunities, and lessons learnt in the field,
- supporting the effective functioning of the NCP system in Ukraine
- innovation stimulation, functioning and means of innovation support policies, programmes, innovation instruments
- operation and services provided by EEN
- functioning and added value of Technology Platforms.

### 1.1 TARGET AUDIENCE

Main groups of stakeholders were addressed:

- policy makers from Ukraine responsible for RTDI (i.e. MESU, NASU, Branch Academies (Medical Sciences, AgroSciences, Labour and Social Relations)), Ministries (i.e. Ministry of Education and Science, Ecology and Natural Resources, Agricultural, Energy and Coal Industry, Infrastructure)
- representative of the European Commission
- NCPs from Ukraine, EU MSs and H2020 ACs
- EEN representatives from Ukraine and MSs
- Technology Platforms' representatives from Ukraine and MSs.

## 2 FORUM PROCEDURE

### 2.1 INVITATION

The invitation was prepared and sent to the relevant speakers from the EU Member States/Associated Countries by RCISD. Ukrainian speakers were invited by NASU. Project partners from the EU contacted the would-be speakers of their own country in order to help the organization of the event. Thus, experienced speakers from France, Austria, Poland and Germany also contributed to the success of the event.

### 2.2 TIMING AND VENUE

The timing of the event was finally set on the 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> January, 2015.

The Forum was hosted by the National Academy of Science of Ukraine. The venue of the event was the Great Conference Hall of NASU (01030 Kiev, Volodymyrska Street 55, Ukraine). The premise of NASU was an ideal venue for the event; it underlined the importance of the Forum.



## 2.3 PROGRAMME

The 2nd Stakeholder Forum had multiple focuses. The presentations of Day 1 centred on *Good practices and lessons learnt on the association to Framework Programmes and the system of National Contact Points (NCPs)*, while Day 2 focused on *Investigation for best ways of innovation stimulation*.

During Day 1, the official opening of the event was delivered by Dr. Maksym Strikha, Deputy Minister of Education and Science for Ukraine, Anatoly Zagorodny, Vice President of the National Academy of Science of Ukraine as well as Thierry Devars, International Relations Officer of the EC responsible for the BILAT-UKR\*AINA.

This was followed by lessons learnt on the process of association and possible benefits were demonstrated by country examples, such as Hungary, Poland, as well, as Moldova which associated H2020 last year.

The current structure and the services provided by Ukrainian NCP network was introduced by Yegor Dubynskyi, the Coordinator of the Ukrainian H2020 NCP network.

The peer review of the current Ukrainian system executed by the project BILAT-UKR\*AINA was presented before the introduction of country examples from Germany, France, Austria, Estonia, Poland and Hungary.

On the second day, following the presentation of the theoretical background of innovation support measures and policies, case studies were presented from Germany, France and Hungary. Then the main difficulties of research and innovation cooperation between Ukraine and the EU were also outlined. Examples of good cooperation between EU Member States and Ukraine were demonstrated. The last sections provided knowledge on services provided by Enterprise Europe Network (EEN), as well as the added value of the functioning of Technology Platform.

The final agenda of the event is in Annex 1.

## 2.4 PARTICIPANTS

Sixty-five people registered online in advance of the event, but the final number of participants was more than 70 (74 people signed the registration form). The high interest most probably derives from the fact that Ukraine will become an associated country to Horizon 2020 in 2015.

Speakers from eight different countries (Ukraine, Austria, Moldova, Poland, Hungary, Germany, France, and Estonia) attended; this also raised the importance of the event.

## 3 DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

Prior to the event, information on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stakeholder Forum was

- made available on the project website
- included in the project newsletter
- spread via consortium partner's (both EU MS and Ukraine) network.

Following the event, a brief event report was published on the project website. The presentations of the speakers were also uploaded (see <http://www.bilat-ukraine.eu/en/415.php#presentations>).

## 4 EVALUATION OF FEEDBACK FORMS

To assess the quality and impact of the 2nd Stakeholder Forum, each participant was asked to complete a questionnaire inviting them to evaluate the specific and general aspects of the event. 39 participants out of the total 74 who signed the registration form completed the feedback-form. This means 52% of the participants returned the feedback-form. The template for the feedback-form is in Annex 3.

**Nationality & role:** Most of the respondents (thirty out of thirty-nine) were from Ukraine, eight respondents currently based in EU member-states, and one arrived from Moldova. Thirty people, i.e. 71.8% of the respondents, were participants, while 11 responders were speaker also. The group of responders from EU member-states mostly cover the group of respondent speakers.

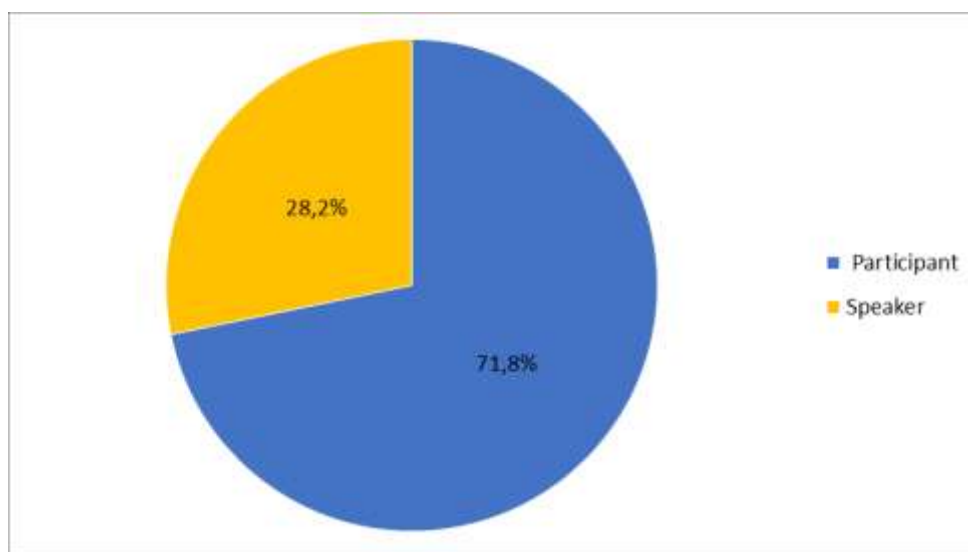


Figure 1 – Ratio of participants and speakers completing the feedback forms

**Area of work:** In fact, the responders work in different fields, the majority (59%) of them were coming from the field of public research (e.g. from universities or governmental research organisations). The members of the second biggest group (with a share of 12.8%) are working in the field of public policy (e.g. government administration). Equivalent proportions (7.7%) were represented by the participants of private research, non-research industries and 'other' (for instance National Contact Points, public science support institution or start-ups). The representatives of the industry research and civil society reached the same ration with 2.6%.

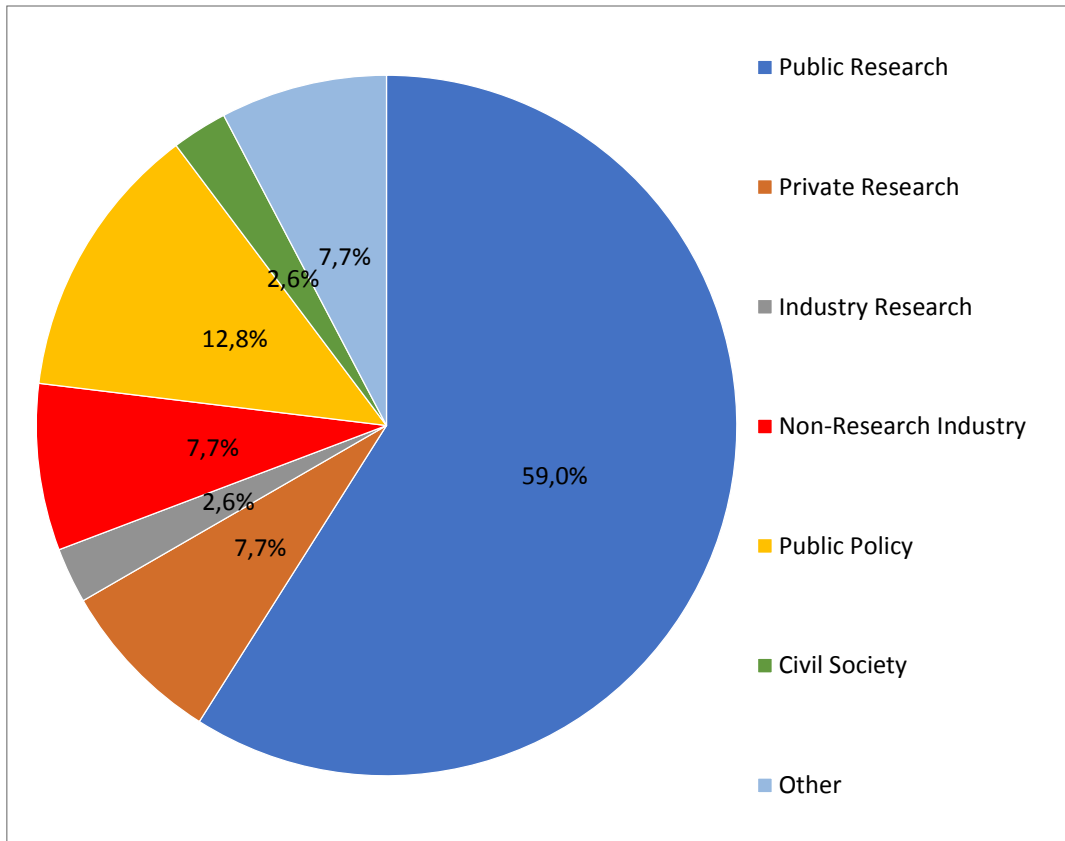


Figure 2 – Respondents' area of work

**Logistics:** Assessing the event's venue as such, nearly 70% of the respondents were very satisfied and the other 30.8% stated that they were generally satisfied. A similar ratio can be observed in case of the technical infrastructure of the venue. The Forum's participants were also satisfied with the accessibility of the venue – one-third rated generally satisfied, two third rated very satisfied. Considering the quality of lunch and coffee breaks 74.4% marked as very satisfied in the feedback-form.

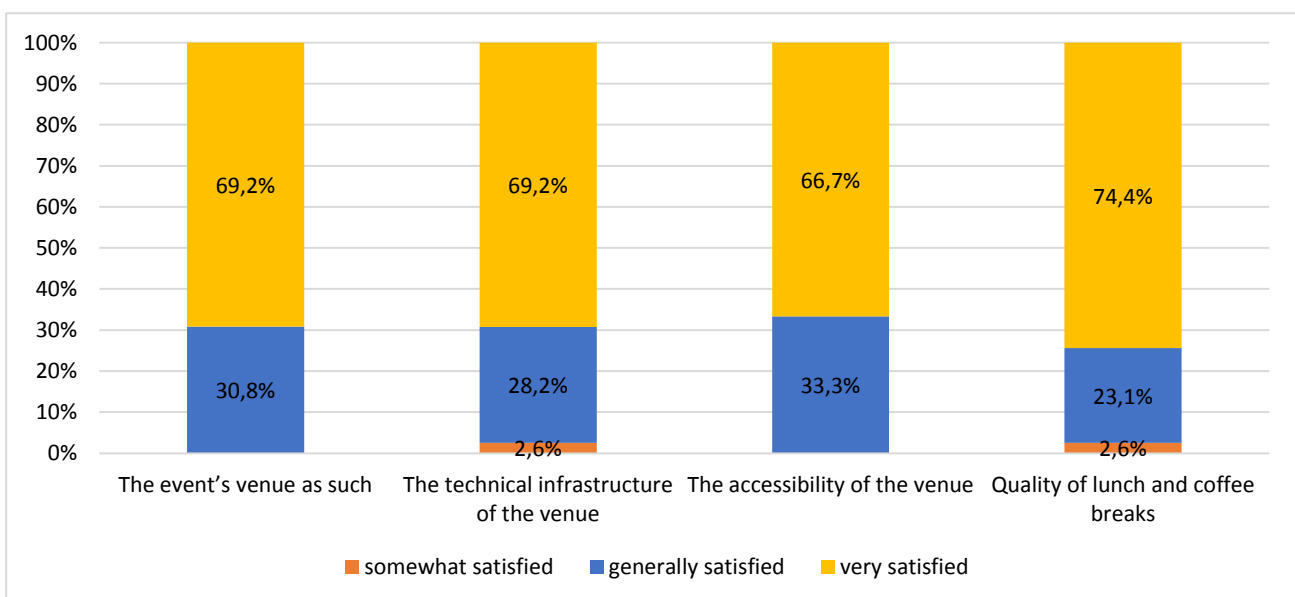


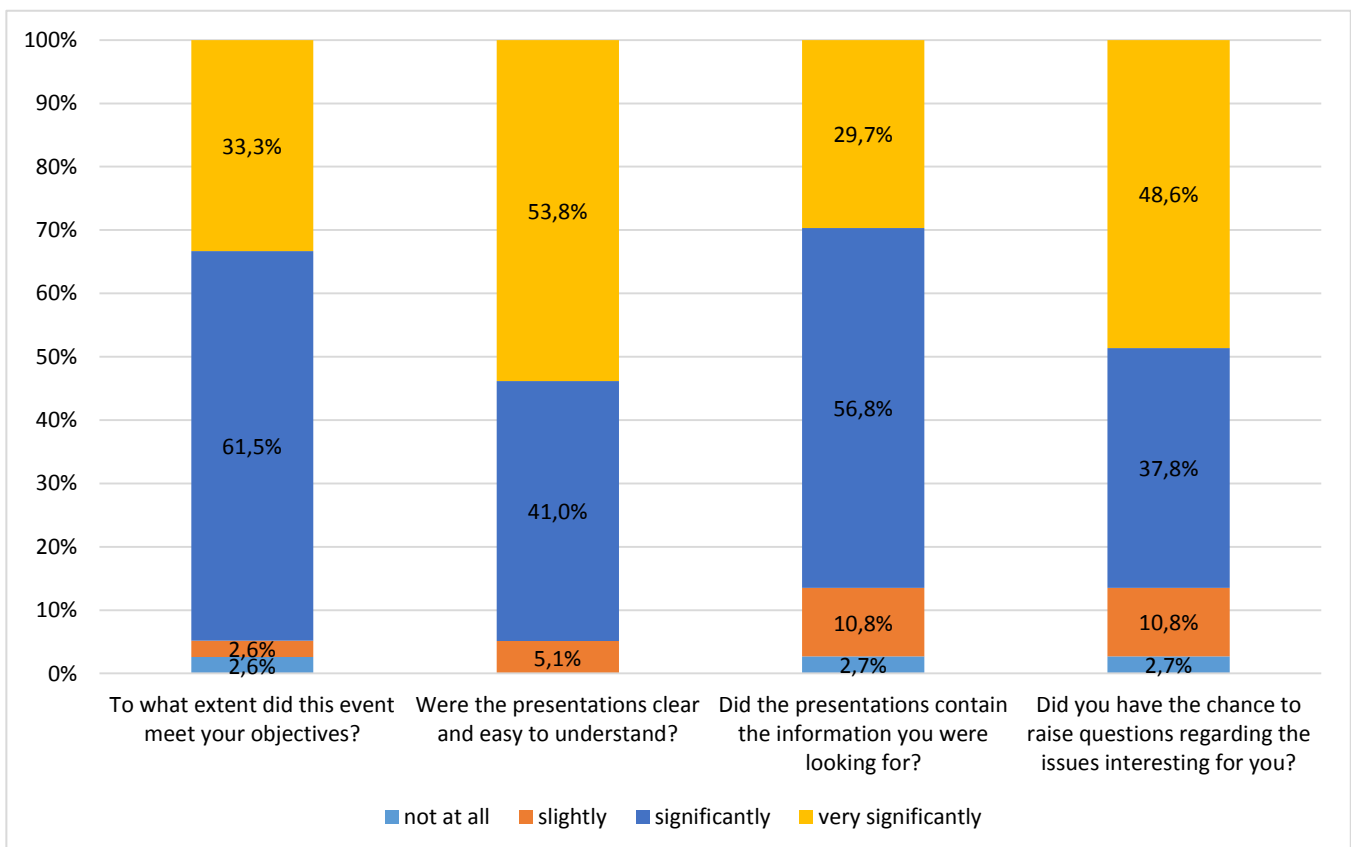
Figure 3 - Aspects of the event's venue



**Personal objectives:** Question nr. 5 asked participants whether their knowledge on the topics covered by the event has been extended during the event. Majority of the responders (31 out of 39, approx. 79%) claimed that the topics of the Forum extended their knowledge. The most frequently cited field of knowledge which has been improved by the presentations and discussion was the system of National Contact Points. Further seven responders stated that the Forum’s topics had no specific impression on their knowledge, and one respondent answered no for knowledge extension at all.

One-third of the respondents claimed that the event met their objectives very significantly, further 61.5% rated significantly. Only one-one respondent rated ‘slightly’ and ‘not at all’ option for this question. Basically the participants assessed the presentations clear and easy to understand. Vast majority of the respondents, with 95% rated at least significantly the lucidity of the presentations. Only 10.8% of the respondents indicated that the presentations contained information only slightly they were looking for. 86.5% stated that they received the information they were interested in.

Almost the same shares shall be noticed in case of the opportunity to raising questions for interesting issues. 10.8% of the respondents stated that they had only a slight chance to raise question, while 86.4% stressed that they had at least significant chance to formulate their question.



**Figure 4 – Personal objectives – part 1**

81% of the respondents received prompt answers to the issues they were interested in. Less than one-fifth of the participants (19%) were only slightly satisfied with the answers they received.

Overwhelming majority of the respondents (92.3%) claimed that they were satisfied with the information and networking opportunities offered by the Forum for facilitating their access to research co-operation: 48.6% rated very significantly and over 39.5% percentage have chosen the option of significantly.

59% of the participants assessed the impact of the Forum very significant in increasing interest in collaborative research between Ukraine and Europe. Furthermore 35.9% declared significant impact of the Forum.

Around 81% of the participants declared, that the event extended their professional network at least significantly. Only 15.8% of the respondents claimed, that it had a slight improvement on their professional network.

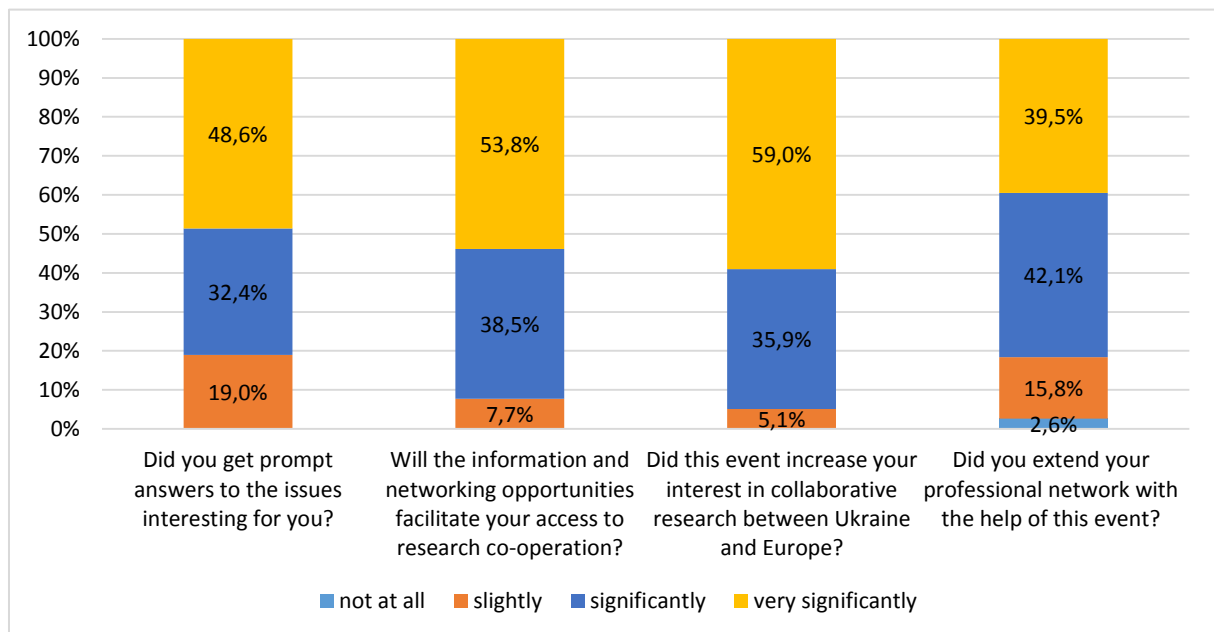
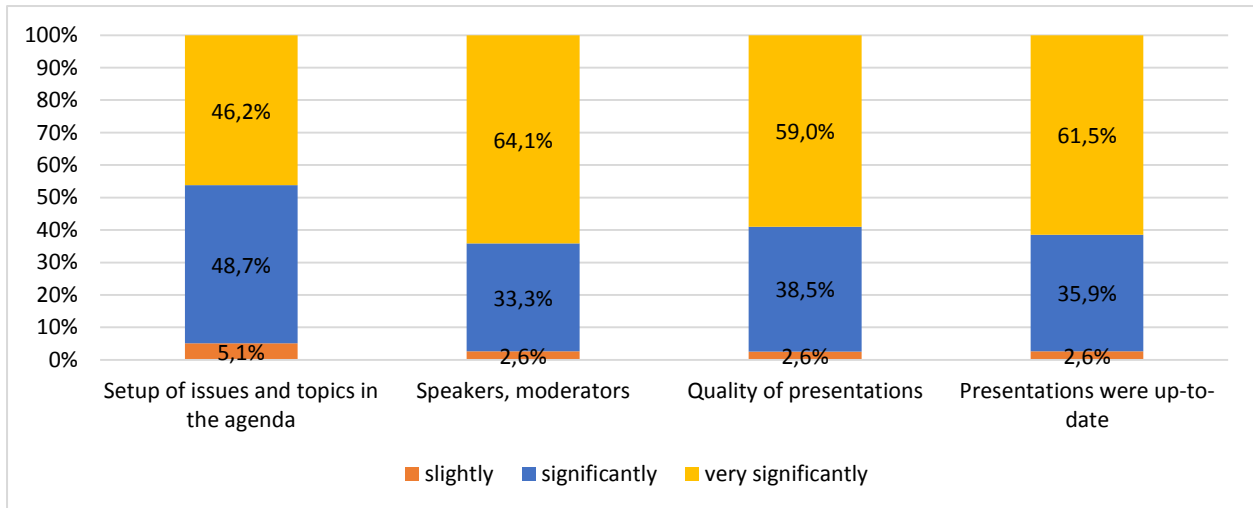


Figure 5 – Personal objectives – part 2

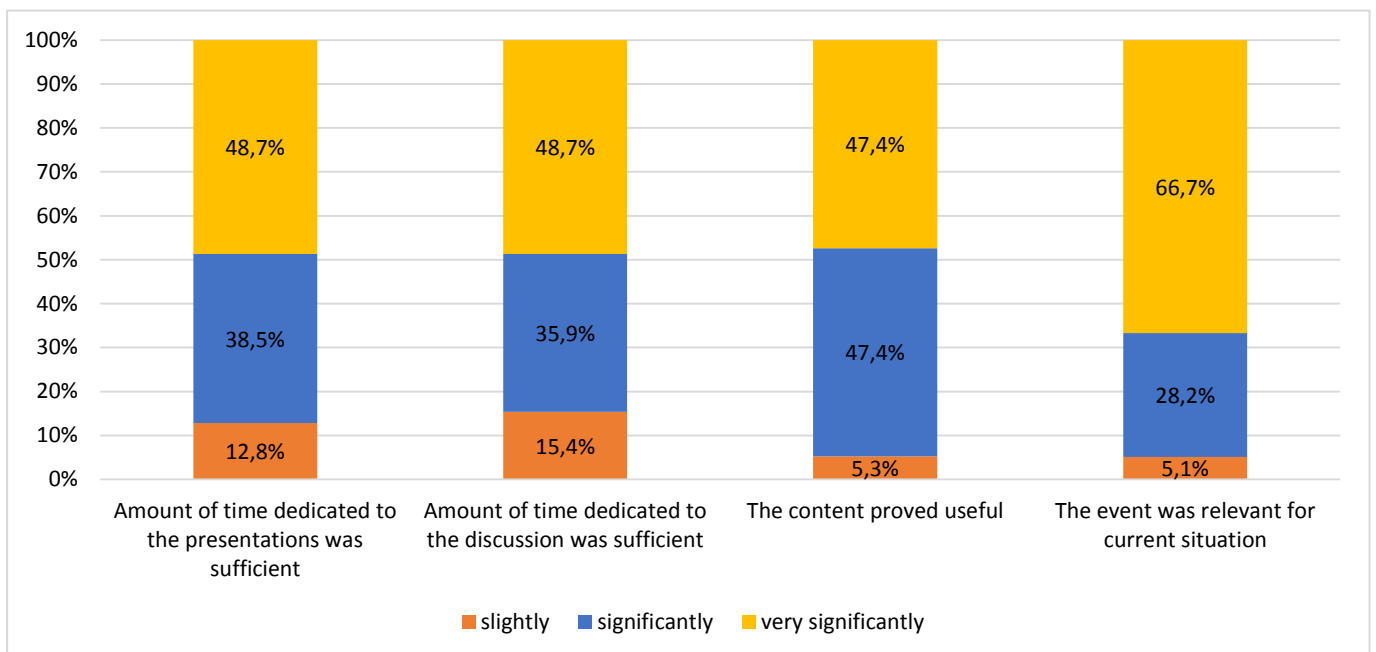
**Quality of the content of the event:** Evaluating the feedback-forms concerning the topics and issues of the agenda, the predominant majority (approximately 95%) assessed them at least significantly. 64% of the respondents were very satisfied with the speakers’ and moderators’ performance. Furthermore 59% claimed, that they were very satisfied with the quality of the presentations, other 61.5% stressed that they were also very up-to-date.



**Figure 6 – Quality expectations concerning the content of the event – part 1**

Answers reflect lack of full satisfaction regarding the sufficient time dedicated to presentations and discussions. Only 48.7% of the respondents were very satisfied with the dedicated time in both cases. 15.4% assessed slightly the question of sufficient time dedicated to discussion.

Around 95% of the respondents assessed at least significant the questions regarding the Forum’s content. It shall be emphasized, that 66.7% of the respondents claimed, that the event was very significant and relevant for the current situation.



**Figure 7 – Quality expectations concerning the content of the event – part 2**

To sum up, based on the feedback forms, it can be concluded that the event was successful with regard to the quality both of logistical and content related issues. Slight dissatisfaction raised by a few respondents may derive mainly from the tight time schedule of the event which enriched its quality but limited the room of prolonged discussions.

## 5 MOST IMPORTANT MESSAGES

At the official opening of the two-day event, high-level representatives from the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine and the European Commission participated.

*Dr Maksym Strikha* (Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine) highlighted the importance of the association to H2020, especially under the current circumstances.

*Mr Thierry Devars* (International Relations Officer, European Commission) informed the audience about the completion of the negotiation which demanded a lot of efforts from both sides. He mentioned that the association is not only an objective but also a starting point for a more intense cooperation. Therefore, in addition to opportunities there are also challenges ahead.

*Ms Stella Shapoval* (Deputy Head of Foreign Relations and European Integration Department, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine) announced the financial support for the NCP system as a first measure to accompany the Association. Ms Shapoval highlighted the responsibility of Ukraine in being proactive due to the fact that there is now a financial contribution to H2020.

## 6 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Conclusions of the two-day event were delivered by the rapporteur, George Bonas (BILAT-UKR\*AINA Expert Review Panel member) by summarizing the most relevant practices and lessons learnt from EU Member States which serve as good examples for Ukraine.

### 5.1 CONCLUSIONS OF DAY 1

#### GOOD PRACTICES AND LESSONS LEARNT ON THE ASSOCIATION TO FRAMEWORK PROGRAMMES AND THE SYSTEM OF NATIONAL CONTACT POINTS (NCPs)

The focus of the first day was on the ways how to increase the participation of Ukraine in H2020 once it becomes associated to the framework programme. Ukrainian researchers will participate in the Framework Programmes with the same conditions as other researchers from EU MSs and ACs. However, *intensive steps from all partners are required to take the benefits of this status. With this regard, coordination of priorities and supporting measures at national level are considered of utmost importance.*

Day 1 second session focused on gathering *examples from EU Member States on the strategic framework, coordination and functioning of NCP networks.*

Information and examples on the organization of NCP systems in several EU MSs (Germany, France, Austria, Estonia, Hungary, and Poland) presented can also provide valuable paths in optimizing the Ukrainian system. All in all speakers emphasized that *supporting an efficient NCP system should be considered as a strategic investment.*

### 5.2 CONCLUSIONS OF DAY 2

#### INVESTIGATION FOR BEST WAYS OF INNOVATION STIMULATION

It shall be highlighted that several definitions and types of innovation and innovation policies exist. There are numerous innovation policy intervention areas too, among others: scientific research (public labs used by companies, grants, etc.), financial interventions and taxation, creation of growth and enterprises (spin-offs, start-ups), etc.

It is also important to note, that innovation policy is not simple due to various reasons, for instance the business/industry sector should be the main driver. In addition to this, innovation depends from many factors, whereas coordination among these different domains is difficult. Furthermore it requires generally long-term policy commitment. Importantly, mutual learning is a valuable tool for innovation policy development. Speakers stressed that financial support tools and approaches constitute an essential element of the innovation policy.

The active participation in EEN can significantly contribute to increasing the innovation capabilities of SMEs and to the stimulation of TT activities. As regards National Technology Platforms, they provide forums for (1) intense interaction between academia and industry to meet societal needs as well as (2) international networking (in particular with the ETPs/ERA).

### 5.3 RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations from speakers regarding the four pillars of the event can be summarized as follows:

#### *a.) Accumulating the experiences and best practices of EU Member States and Associated Countries to make best use of Horizon 2020*

Ukraine is invited to capitalize on the experience of EU MSs and ACs to maximize its benefit from H2020. To contribute to the successful participation in H2020, policy-makers are recommended to

- set up an Action Plan in Ukraine as a pre-association step,
- launch a coordination mechanism at national level among public authorities which is necessary for a successful completion of association,
- develop a new approach towards EU programmes and an 'ownership mentality' at Ukrainian side since H2020 becomes a Ukrainian programme too,
- be pro-active in order to be successful in the competitive environment of H2020,
- take intensive steps to ensure Ukraine's successful participation in the ERA,
- request assistance from experienced MSs and ACs to turn the association into success,
- intensify dissemination activities and public engagement.

#### *b.) Supporting the effective functioning of the NCP system in Ukraine*

Successful participation in H2020 necessitates also an effective NCP system. Country case studies presented at the Forum (i.e. the Polish, the Estonian, etc. systems) can provide examples for that, as well as measures and/or as follows:

- professionalization and visibility of the NCPs,
- ensuring the sustainability of the system,
- contractual relation between the NCP with the respective Ministry,
- enhanced involvement of the private sector,
- establishment of the Ukrainian national monitoring system to scan the participation tendencies of the Ukrainian institutions in H2020,
- implementing recommendations based on the NCP Peer Review in Ukraine prepared by BILAT-UKR\* AINA project,

- providing financial support (from national sources) for the effective daily work of the NCP system.

***c.) Functioning and means of innovation support policies, programmes as well as innovation instruments***

The Forum provided evidence as well as examples on various measures to increase Ukraine's RDI system's competitiveness. With this regard, the following recommendations were formulated:

- An STI Policy Mix Peer Review shall be carried out in order to improve Ukraine's RDI system (to explore best practices, possible challenges and opportunities and also to avoiding pitfalls).
- In general, continuous evaluation of policies and instruments is also considered necessary.
- Support instruments with regard to R&I policy shall be developed in order to be successful in competition of H2020.
- Grant for preparation of proposal with pre-evaluation should be provided.
- Ukrainian experts are encouraged to register themselves as evaluators of the H2020 proposals.
- Special attention should be paid to all players at the formation of new R&I strategies: apart from the research institutes, SMEs and high education institutes should be taken into account.
- Active participation in the Enterprise Europe Network can significantly contribute to increasing the innovation capabilities of SMEs and stimulating technology transfer activities.
- Mutual learning activities between EU and Ukraine should be actively promoted in this field too.

***d.) Functions and added value of Technology Platforms***

Recommendations were formulated with regard to the functioning of Technology Platforms too. In order to maximize the added value of TPs,

- interaction between the academia and the industry are recommended to be intensified, and
- internationalization activities of the Ukrainian Technology Platforms shall also be promoted.





**Photo 1 – Snapshot from the 2nd Stakeholders Forum**  
*Source: RCISD / ZSI*



**Photo 2 – Snapshot from the 2nd Stakeholders Forum**  
*Source: RCISD / ZSI*

## 7 ANNEXES

### ANNEX 1 FINAL AGENDA



**Enhancing the Bilateral S&T Partnership  
with Ukraine\*Advanced Innovative  
Approach**

***Enhancing Ukraine's Competitiveness in RI on the way to the  
Association to Horizon 2020***

***2<sup>nd</sup> Stakeholders' Forum of BILAT-UKR\*AINA***

27-28th of January, 2015

Great Conference Hall of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine  
01030 Kiev, Volodymyrska Street 55

***Agenda***

<b>27 January, Day 1: Good practices and lessons learnt on the association to Framework Programmes and the system of National Contact Points (NCPs)</b>	
8.30-9.00	Arrival, registration
9.00-9.30	<p><b><i>Welcoming words</i></b></p> <p><i>Anatoly Zagorodny</i>, Vice President of National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU) on behalf of the host institution (10')</p> <p><i>Dr Maksym Strikha</i>, Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine (10')</p> <p><i>Thierry Devars</i>, International Relations Officer, European Commission - DG Research &amp; Innovation on behalf of Delegation of the EU to Ukraine (10')</p>
9.30-9.40	<p><b><i>Introduction of the project BILAT-UKR*AINA</i></b>: project activities supporting the association of Ukraine to Horizon 2020 – <i>Gorazd Weiss</i>, BILAT-UKR*AINA project Coordinator, Centre for Social Innovation (ZSI) (10')</p>
9.40-10.00	<p><b><i>Association to Framework Programmes (FPs) – General approach to the association to H2020</i></b> – <i>Thierry Devars</i>, International Relations Officer, European Commission - DG Research &amp; Innovation (20')</p>
10:00-10.15	<p><b><i>The state of the art of legislative support of science and international cooperation in R&amp;D</i></b> by <i>Liliia Hrynevych</i>, Head of the Parliament Committee for Education and Science of Ukraine (15')</p>



10.15-10.30	<b>The view from Ukraine on RDI cooperation with EU and association to H2020</b> – <i>Stella Shapoval</i> , Deputy Head of Foreign Relations and European Integration Department, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (15')
10.00-10.45	<b>Questions &amp; Answers</b>
10.45-11.00	Coffee Break & Networking
11.00-11.45	<b>Lessons learnt and good practices on how to join FPs by EU Member States and H2020 Associated Countries</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Association to the EU Framework Programmes: Case of Moldova</b> by <i>Lidia Romanciuc</i>, Director, Center for International Projects, Academy of Sciences of Moldova (15')</li> <li>- <b>Polish experiences on participation in Framework Programmes</b> by <i>Zygmunt Krasinski</i>, Director of NCP for Horizon 2020, Institute of Fundamental Technological Research Polish Academy of Sciences, IPPT-PAN (15')</li> <li>- <b>Aspects of the Hungarian Association to Framework Programmes</b> by <i>Béla Kardon</i>, Chief Scientific Officer, Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development, RCISD (15')</li> </ul>
11.45-12.45	<b>Discussion (60')</b> on  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- opportunities, prerequisites and effects of the associated status – what could it mean for Ukraine?</li> <li>- transferable practices for Ukraine on the association process</li> </ul> <b>Moderated by Béla Kardon</b> (Chief Scientific Officer, Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development, RCISD)
12.45-13.45	Working Lunch
13.45-13.55	<b>Introduction of the current NCP system of Ukraine</b> – <i>Yegor Dubynskyi</i> , Coordinator of the Ukrainian H2020 NCPs (10')
13.55-14.10	<b>Performance of Ukrainian NCP system based on peer review including recommendations by BILAT-UKR*AINA</b> – presentation of the preliminary results by <i>Krzysztof Trojanowski</i> (Polish Academy of Sciences, PAN) (15')
14.10-15.40	<b>Good practices from Member States and H2020 Associated Countries</b> <b>Examples from EU Member States on the strategic framework, coordination and functioning</b> (architecture, guidelines, responsible organization, professionalized NCP system, cooperation with government, services provided, dissemination channels, etc.) of NCP networks  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>The German NCP network</b> by <i>Erich Rathske</i>, Project Management Agency – German Aerospace Center, DLR (15')</li> <li>- <b>Horizon 2020 – NCP system in Poland</b> by <i>Zygmunt Krasinski</i>, IPPT-PAN</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Support for European and International Cooperation: the French NCP network</b> by <i>Olivier Steffen</i>, Ministry for National Education, Higher Education and Research (15')</li> <li>- <b>Hungary as a new Member State in Framework Programmes – Development of the Hungarian NCP system</b> by <i>Béla Kardon</i>, Chief Scientific Officer, Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development (15')</li> <li>- <b>How to get organised for European cooperation in research and innovation: The case of Austria</b> by <i>Manfred Horvat</i>, Honorary Professor, Vienna University of Technology (15')</li> <li>- <b>15 years in Framework Programmes – the Estonian NCP system</b> by <i>Ülle Must</i>, Head of the Department of International Research Cooperation, Estonian Research Council (15')</li> </ul>
15.40-16.00	Coffee break & Networking
16.00-16.50	<p><b>Discussion (50')</b> on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- definition of priorities and objectives of the NCP system</li> <li>- funding source</li> <li>- regional vs. centralized approach</li> <li>- cooperation with government,</li> <li>- how to prepare an action plan for NCP network?</li> <li>- what shall the NCP service include?</li> <li>- coordination and management of the system</li> <li>- etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderated by</b> <i>Yegor Dubynskyi</i>, Coordinator of the Ukrainian H2020 NCPs</p>
16.50-17.00	<b>Conclusions</b> delivered by the rapporteur, <i>George Bonas</i> (BILAT-UKR*AINA Expert Review Panel member, Managing Director, Centre for Regional and International STI Studies and Support - CeRISS) (10')
<b>28 January, Day 2: Investigation for best ways of innovation stimulation</b>	
8.50-9.00	Registration
9.00-10.00	<p><b><i>Innovation supporting policies &amp; measures</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Innovation support instruments – a policy mix approach</b> by <i>Klaus Schuch</i>, Scientific Director, Centre for Social Innovation (15')</li> <li>- <b>Innovation financing: experience from Bpifrance</b> by <i>Christian Dubarry</i>, Head of European Affairs, Bpifrance (15')</li> <li>- <b>Science Policy and International Cooperation – Best practices between supporting policies aiming synergies between different EU funds</b> by <i>Béla Kardon</i>, Chief Scientific Officer, Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development (15')</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Supporting Innovations in R&amp;D Sector of Moldova</b> by <i>Lidia Romanciuc</i>, Center for International Projects, Academy of Sciences of Moldova (15')</li> </ul>
10.00-10.20	<p><b>Discussion on transferable practices (25')</b>  <b>Moderated by</b> <i>Igor Yegorov</i>, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</p>
10.20-10.35	Coffee Break & Networking
10.35-11.20	<p><b>Channeling research results into the industry and enhancing innovation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Harmonization of the mechanisms of the Ukraine-EU innovation strategy – A view from Ukraine</b> by <i>Igor Yegorov</i>, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Institute for Economy and Forecasting (15')</li> <li>- <b>Technology Transfer – framework conditions and good practices</b> by <i>Steffen Preissler</i>, Head of Innovative Transfer Systems, Fraunhofer MOEZ (15')</li> <li>- <b>From science to innovation in France, at CNRS</b> by <i>Francesca Grassia</i>, Deputy Director, Office of European Research and International Cooperation, National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) (15')</li> </ul>
11.20-11.30	<p><b>Questions &amp; Answers (10')</b>  <b>Moderated by</b> <i>Erich Rathske</i>, DLR</p>
11.30-12.15	<p><b>Functioning and services of the Enterprise Europe Network</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Services provided by EEN to boost R&amp;D</b> by <i>Zita Majoros</i>, Consultant, Hungarian National Trading House (15')</li> <li>- <b>Best practice in bridging the gap between research and innovation: NoGAP Project, EEN and Steinbeis Technology Transfer Centers</b> by <i>Daniela Chiran</i>, Project Manager, Steinbeis Zentrum Europa (15')</li> <li>- <b>How to identify, protect and commercialise your intellectual property?</b> by <i>Oleksandr Bedjukh</i> Representative of EEN (Ukraine), Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (15')</li> </ul>
12.15-12.30	<p><b>Moderated discussion</b> the following topics: (15')</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- what is the added value of the Ukraine-EU innovation strategy?</li> <li>- what means can boost technology transfer? What are the preconditions? etc.</li> <li>- how can opportunities provided by EEN be exploited?</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderated by</b> <i>Christian Dubarry</i> (Head of European Affairs, Bpifrance)</p>
12.30-13.00	Working Lunch
13.00-13.40	<p><b>Discussion on good practices with representatives of National Technology Platforms on the following topics:</b>  <b>Moderated by</b> <i>Krzysztof Trojanowski</i> (Polish Academy of Sciences) (10')</p>

	<p>1. What is the added value of TPs for their members?</p> <p>2. How can the effective functioning of TPs be ensured?</p> <p>3. How can their financial stability be secured? etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Nadia Boyko</i>, National Technology Platform Food for Life, Uzhorod National University (10')</li> <li>- <i>Dmytro Belokurov</i>, Deputy Head of Ukrainian Metallurgical Association (10')</li> <li>- <i>Leonid Chernyshev &amp; Iryina Belan</i>, Ukrainian National Technology Platform for Advanced Materials (10')</li> </ul>
13.40-14.00	<p><b>Conclusions</b> delivered by the rapporteur, <i>George Bonas</i> (BILAT-UKR*AINA Expert Review Panel member, Managing Director, Centre for Regional and International STI Studies and Support - CeRISS) (20')</p>



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## ANNEX 3 FEEDBACK-FORM

### **Enhancing Ukraine's Competitiveness in RI on the way to the Association to Horizon 2020**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Stakeholder Forum**

27-28th January, 2015, Kyiv, Ukraine

## **Feedback form**

We kindly ask you to share your point of view on the related topic (in *English* only, please)

**1. Where you are currently based?** Please choose only one of the following:

- Ukraine
- European Union
- Other

*If other, please specify*

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**2. Are you a participant or a speaker in the Second Stakeholder Forum of BILAT-UKR\*AINA?**

Please choose only one of the following:

- Participant
- Speaker

**3. Your area of work?** Please choose all that apply:

- Public Research (University, Governmental Research Organisation)
- International Policy (Ukraine, EU, UN etc.)
- Private Research (Consulting, Innovation, NGOs, NPOs with a strong research focus)
- Private Policy (NGOs, NPOs with a strong policy focus)
- Civil Society
- Industry Research (incl. SMEs)
- Non-Research Industry (incl. SMEs)
- Public Policy (Government, Administration)

*If other, please specify:*

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#### 4. How satisfied are you considering the following aspects of the event's venue?

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	not satisfied	somewhat satisfied	generally satisfied	very satisfied
The event's venue as such	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The technical infrastructure of the venue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The accessibility of the venue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of lunch and coffee breaks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### 5. Do you think that your knowledge on the topics covered by the event has been extended during the event?

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#### 6. Please let us know whether the event met your personal objectives in the following aspects

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	not at all	slightly	significantly	very significantly
To what extent did this event meet your objectives?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were the presentations clear and easy to understand?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did the presentations contain the information you were looking for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you have the chance to raise questions regarding the issues interesting for you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you get prompt answers to the issues interesting for you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Will the information and networking opportunities facilitate your access to research co-operation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did this event increase your interest in collaborative research between Ukraine and Europe?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you extend your professional network with the help of this event?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**7. Please let us know whether this event met your quality expectations considering its content.**

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

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Setup of issues and topics in the agenda	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speakers, moderators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of presentations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presentations were up-to-date	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amount of time dedicated to the presentations was sufficient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Amount of time dedicated to the discussion was sufficient	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The content proved useful	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The event was relevant for current situation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**8. Do you have any comments for us on the content of the event?**

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**9. Would you like to receive BILAT-UKR\*AINA newsletter?**

Yes

No

*If yes, please provide your e-mail address:*

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