



## Minutes of the Project Board Meeting

**Project title:** UNDP-GEF project “Promoting Sustainable Livestock Management and Ecosystem Conservation in Northern Ukraine”, Energy & Environment Portfolio

**Date:** 5 March 2024,

**Time:** 14:00-16:00

**Venue:** hybrid format (offline in Kyiv and online via Zoom)

### List of participants:

No.	Name, Surname	Position	Organization
1.	Mr. Christophoros Politis	Deputy Resident Representative	UNDP Ukraine
2.	Mr. Yevhenii Fedorenko	Deputy Minister for European Integration	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine
3.	Ms. Viktoria Kyreeva	Deputy Minister	Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine
4.	Mr. Oleksii Pinchuk	Head of Department of International Cooperation and European Integration	Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine
5.	Ms. Olena Dadus	Deputy Director of the Agrarian Development Department, Head of the Animal Husbandry and Breeding Division	Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine
6.	Ms. Polina Ivashchenko	Head of the International Technical Assistance Coordination Division, International Cooperation and European Integration Department	Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine
7.	Ms. Yana Zubko	Chief Specialist of the International Technical Assistance Coordination Division, International Cooperation and European Integration Department	Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine
8.	Mr. Dmytro Makarenko	Acting Chair	State Service of Ukraine for Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre

9.	<b>Mr. Roman Shakhmatenko</b>	Team Leader, Energy and Environment Portfolio	UNDP Ukraine
10.	<b>Ms. Lesia Shyshko</b>	Team Leader, Strategic Planning, Partnership and RBM	UNDP Ukraine
11.	<b>Ms. Valeriia Velygorska</b>	Programme Finance Analyst, Strategic Planning, Partnership and RBM	UNDP Ukraine
12.	<b>Mr. Ievgen Spivakovskiy</b>	Programme Analyst, Energy and Environment Portfolio	UNDP Ukraine
13.	<b>Ms. Kateryna Kudrynska</b>	Project Associate, Energy and Environment Portfolio	UNDP Ukraine
14.	<b>Ms. Tetiana Tevkun</b>	Project Manager/Specialist	UNDP Ukraine
15.	<b>Ms. Inna Hoch</b>	Lead National Tech Analyst	UNDP Ukraine
16.	<b>Mr. Aleksey Gusak</b>	GIS Analyst Officer	UNDP Ukraine
17.	<b>Ms. Anastasia Vuico</b>	Outreach and Communications Associate	UNDP Ukraine
18.	<b>Ms. Yana Lazarevska</b>	Project Associate	UNDP Ukraine
19.	<b>Mr. Rostyslav Kos</b>	Private Sector Value Chain Expert	UNDP Ukraine
20.	<b>Mr. Vasyl Fesyuk</b>	Peatlands Restoration Expert	UNDP Ukraine
21.	<b>Mr. Wendelin Wichtmann</b>	Expert	Michael Succow Foundation
22.	<b>Ms. Olga Denyshchuk</b>	Expert	Michael Succow Foundation

#### Have agreed:

1. Acknowledge the results achieved by the Project in 2023.
2. Approve the Project Plans for 2024.
3. Approve the Project Budget for 2024.
4. Approve the Project team composition.
5. Decide that the next Project Board Meeting will be held after the revision of the Project Document and its Annexes by the International Technical Adviser in case substantial changes to the documents will be made in terms of targeted areas. It will be held online in spring 2024.
6. Focus of the Project on the speeding up implementation of settled plans and communication of results.

#### Have discussed:

**Mr. Roman Shakhmatenko** welcomed the participants of the Board Meeting and handed over the opening remarks to Christophoros Politis, UNDP Deputy Resident Representative in Ukraine.

**Mr. Christophoros Politis** extended greetings and clarified that this meeting will evaluate the project's progress. He emphasized the project's significant contribution to policymaking, its focus on primary objective, and its adaptability to the new needs and challenges posed by the full-scale invasion. Mr. Politis stressed the importance of maintaining investments in sustainable development, recovery efforts, and building back greener, supporting Ukraine's climatic ambitions.

all information jointly with the team, targeted restoration sites will be determined. Despite the change in locations, the same outputs will be achieved.

**Mr. Shakhmatenko** added that on the procedural side RTA team is fully aware on the issue, as well as GEF, on the reassessment of the ProDoc. He underlined that despite challenges, the main activities are feasible and fully doable.

**Mr. Makarenko** welcomed the discussion on organizational matters, particularly the integration and merging of project data with the National Spatial Data Infrastructure portal. He emphasized that legally, the State Enterprise “Research Institute of Geodesy and Cartography” serves as the administrator of the portal, and thus, the project should consider including it in the registration card as the formal recipient.

**Mr. Shakhmatenko** thanked for the comment and summarized that project’s results of the 2023 and plans for 2024 are approved.

In his closing remarks, **Mr. Fedorenko** reiterated his appreciation to UNDP and expressed hopes that in the nearest future project team will be fully onboard and goals for 2024 successfully will be completed in time. He urged informing the Ministry promptly of any issues that may affect project implementation to mitigate risks and minimize possible delays.

**Mr. Makarenko** emphasized that the project and its plans are very ambitious considering situation in Ukraine. He reassured that State GeoCadastré is ready to provide all possible support and data, as well as consultancy service to ensure that project’s data will be legally acknowledged and integrated into the state system.

**Mr. Pinchuk** indicated that the Ministry is delighted that the project reached its implementation stage despite several obstacles. He highlighted that the Ministry is open for cooperation and stressed good communication with the project team. Mr. Pinchuk expressed hopes for the smooth realization of the planned activities and the achievement of good results.

**Mr. Politis** underscored solid contribution of the project, particularly conducted analysis and contribution to the geospatial data. He acknowledged the project’s linkage between peatland restoration, socio-economic aspects, and recovery efforts. Mr. Politis outlined two main points for moving forward: (i) reviewing the security situation at potential restoration sites and (ii) continuous work on communicating project results. He emphasized that project activities have not only academic impacts but also work towards strengthening Ukraine's resilience, maintaining biodiversity, environmental conservation, climate action, and recovery equally.

**Attachments:**

- Project Board ToR
- Presentation on the Project

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