



# ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT



2019

## ICC Ukraine Annual Sustainability report 2019

ICC Ukraine, being a signatory to the UN Global Compact, and our Annual Sustainability Report also serves as ICC Ukraine Communication on Progress (COP). The UN Sustainable Development Goals are duly referenced in ICC Ukraine Strategy of Action, which is made known to our membership and Regional Branches in 20 regions of Ukraine, and ICC Ukraine management is strongly committed and expresses its continued support to the UN Global Compact 10 principles

Chairman of ICC Ukraine  
**Volodymyr Shchelkunov**

ICC Ukraine, in compliance with the provisions of its Action Plan for 2019, following recommendations of the Government of Ukraine and Chairpersons of Parliamentary Committees of Ukraine, accounting for the general strategy of the International Chamber of Commerce and abiding by the UN 10 principles, concentrated its activities in the following spheres:

### I. Fighting Corruption

1. International Conferences “On Combatting counterfeiting and piracy” (March and August), organized by ICC Ukraine BASCAP Initiative Group, representatives from respective Parliamentary Committee, law enforcement units of Ukraine and the banking sector. Target audience: banking community, network of supermarkets, business associations of Ukraine, ICC Ukraine regional branches from 20 regions of Ukraine. Result: An expert report to the Government of Ukraine together with the proposals to be implemented at the legislative and executive level.
2. ICC Ukraine has reinforced its Bureau on Preventing Crimes and Combatting Anti-Corruption through its regional network. Direct contacts were established with ICC London-based Commercial Crime Services.
3. ICC Ukraine BASCAP Initiative Group has been ranked among top 20 successful projects of ICC.
4. A representative from ICC Ukraine has been approved as a full-fledged member of the Committee on Intellectual Property Rights at the Ministry for Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine.

## II. Protection of Environment

1. ICC Ukraine has launched and organized 1st International “ECO-Forum” in Ukraine.
2. ICC Ukraine co-organized Solar Energy Exhibition in Kyiv and Energy Efficiency International Exhibition in Kyiv.
3. ICC Ukraine Regional Branches in L’viv and Ternopol organized round tables “ECO Life: The child’s health starts from water” supported by respective Heads of Regional Administrations.
4. Practical Conference “Ukraine as energy independent state” aimed at the issues of diversification of the sources of energy supplies to Ukraine, reducing CO emissions and their impact on environment, extensive use of solar and wind energy, small hydro power stations.
5. ICC Ukraine Regional Branch in Zaporizzhya has completed testing procedures in Poltava, L’viv and Dnipro to implement a start-up Eco-project on electronic purification of waters using the technology of “HydroFlow” and “Kallistone”.
6. ICC Ukraine Regional Branch in L’viv has presented a project “Eco technologies in hospitality industry”.

## III. Protection of Human Rights and labor relations

1. All ICC Ukraine staff is equipped with targeted instructions of everyday work with an incentive for the promotion to a higher position. Regular trainings and practical seminars are held, where examples of other countries are considered.
2. ICC Ukraine Commission on public-private partnership “C.R.E.A.M. Ukraine” held a regional conference in Kharkov “Safety of business in international transactions, reliability of counterparts in commerce”.
3. ICC Ukraine held a presentation on public-private partnership for the business community of Kyiv region.
4. Round table “Protection of Human rights and its impact on building trust between the people” was organized jointly with Kyiv State University of Commerce and Trade”.
5. ICC Ukraine continues to abide by an international standard “Investors in People” in its day-to-day activities.
6. Practical seminar “Prerequisites of successful start-ups for the SME’s” held in Kharkov, practical seminar “Women in Business. How to launch a start-up”, held in Kyiv (ICC Ukraine project “Women in Business” has been ranked among top 7 projects by ICC), master class “Strategy and export tactics in accessing the European markets for the SME’s”.
7. ICC Ukraine co-organized “Space Time Forum” for young Ukrainian entrepreneurs.

8. ICC Ukraine pilot project “Single Window – Local Solution” received 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Group of ICC European National Committees.
9. ICC Ukraine is represented in major Public Council of the Ministries and departments of Ukraine.
10. With new Incoterms 2020 coming into force as of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020, ICC Ukraine has planned a set of regional seminars for local business community.

#### IV. Some practical results:

1. ICC Ukraine has signed a set of bilateral Agreements with the Heads of State Regional Administrations of Ukraine to ensure online dialogue and improve coordination with local business communities.
2. The established National Body on Trade liberalization in coordination with respective Commission of ICC have submitted expert proposals to the Government of Ukraine and the Committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.
3. ICC Ukraine has submitted for approval experts to 18 Parliamentary Committees as non-staff advisers.
4. Last year ICC Ukraine celebrated 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its establishment and counties to be confidently ranking among the dozen of the most dynamically progressing National Committees of ICC.
5. ICC Ukraine Chairman is a member of a Governmental Committee.
6. ICC Ukraine has become a co-founder of National Tourism Organization of Ukraine and actively promotes “Medical Tourism” project for the interested foreign clients.
7. ICC Ukraine continues to promote the program “Partnership – open Government”.
8. New legislative initiatives are submitted to the legislative power on a regular basis.

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