

## Embassy Activities



Canadian Embassy

### Embassy of Canada in Ukraine **KYIV**

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### Seminars and Conferences

• The Technical Cooperation Section of the Embassy is often called on to participate in important seminars and conferences related to the reform and transformation process. These events are sponsored by Ukrainian and/or international organizations and Canadian Embassy participation is part of our broader support for the transformation process in Ukraine. In May, three such events took place to which the Technical Cooperation Section Staff contributed. The Ukrainian Academy of Foreign Trade was established one year ago. This Academy provides Masters level training in the general area of international trade. Emil Baran, Counsellor, Technical Cooperation, made a presentation on the subject of international cooperation and the role of bilateral and multilateral donors in the transformation process.

• The University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy recently announced the establishment of a Master's Degree in Economics. The goal of this Masters program is to help create a new generation of economists trained in modern, market-based economic theory who will assume leadership positions in public and private institutions in Ukraine. This Masters program is sponsored by the World Bank, the Ford Foundation and other foundations. Canada has been involved with Kyiv-Mohyla for several years and has supported several activities.

• The Academy of Public Administration and the World Bank organized a 3-day seminar on Public Administration reform. Many Ukrainian and international speakers were involved, including Deputy Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada, World Bank Resident Representative and Justice Minister. Canada has been active in supporting Ukraine's public sector reform, particularly at the Academy.

### Technical Cooperation Staff

• Bruce Steen arrived on May 10, to take up his posting as First Secretary in the Technical Cooperation section of the Canadian Embassy. Bruce, who is originally from Toronto is a graduate of Carleton University in Ottawa, replaces Kati Csaba who has left Ukraine for a posting at the Canadian Embassy in Sarajevo. While this is Bruce's first direct experience with Ukraine, he brings to the position nearly six years of experience with Canada's Program of Cooperation with Central and Eastern Europe, mainly in the area of private sector development in Russia. Bruce's work at the Embassy will include all of the areas and projects which had previously been Kati's responsibility. These include Policy Advice for Reform, the Small Business and Economic Development in Ivano-Frankivsk project, environment projects, and the Canada Fund, among others.

### First Canadian Forces Attaché

Commander Rick Williams was welcomed by Colonel Mykola P. Dzubak (Deputy Head of Ukrainian General Staff) on the occasion of the first Canadian Forces Defence Attaché to Ukraine, April 25, 1997. The ceremony took place at the Headquarters of the General Staff, Kyiv. Following this meeting, Commander Williams proceeded to the Ministry of Defence to be greeted by Lieut. Gen. Pustoviy, Head of the Foreign Relations Department. (Cmmdr. Williams is shown at left in photo in the Ukrainian-language section, p. 26)



### Embassy of Ukraine in Canada **OTTAWA**



Demonstration desk of Ukraine's Trade and Economic Mission Internet website during the IEC/CUBI meetings in Calgary. L-r: Consul Volodymyr Verkhnyatsky; departing Mission Head Ihor Sanin; and Ihor Knyazev, Expert in Trade and Economics.

### Internet Web Window on Ukraine

The Trade and Economic Mission of Ukraine has established a website on the Internet to assist importers, exporters and investors obtain information on the economic/business climate and commercial opportunities in Ukraine. The site is located at:

<http://www3.sympatico.ca/tem~ukraine/>

The Internet site provides such vital information as: basic laws of Ukraine; procedures for setting up a joint venture or registering a representation office; taxation overview; facts about export potential and investment needs of Ukrainian regions (oblasts), including potential partnerships; daily updated currency exchange rates; fairs and exhibitions; and current events on economic relations between Ukraine and Canada.

Visitors can also connect to a database of Ukrainian Ministries, State Organizations/Companies, and links to major sites such as Ukrainian Industrial Internet Exhibition and Press in Ukraine.

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Dear Friends and Associates:

As my three-year posting in Canada comes to an end and the time to return to Ukraine approaches, I would like to take advantage of the *Canada-Ukraine Monitor* and its business network in Canada to thank each and every one who worked with the Trade and Economic Mission of Ukraine in Canada since its start-up in July 1994.

I appreciate your assistance in providing us with your Canadian expertise and experience in international trade. Your optimism and perseverance helped to strengthen economic ties between our two countries.

Sincerely,

Ihor Sanin  
Chief, Trade and Economic Mission of Ukraine