

## Canada-Ukraine Foundation: Getting Ready to Roll

A new executive of the Canada-Ukraine Foundation has actively started pushing to get the Foundation off the ground. Over two weekends in late January and early February, working groups were assembled, one in Edmonton, and a second in Toronto. While the overall concept for this charitable foundation is to provide assistance to Ukraine, the logistics of its mandate are still being ironed out. These two brainstorming sessions included Ukrainian community leaders, project managers and participants from technical cooperation and humanitarian projects to Ukraine, as well as a representative from CIDA.

The discussions are helping define community needs in terms of working with Ukraine, as well as possible avenues of funding and fundraising. Topics included a "Partnership Program" for Ukraine, and "block" and "cluster" funding for community projects through CUF from CIDA. Representatives from the education sector in particular voiced their concern that, since education is a Canadian provincial jurisdiction, there is a lack of national coordination and overall strategy for education projects. This is compounded by the fact that education as such is not specifically defined as one of CIDA's priorities for Ukraine.

While much work lies ahead for the Foundation, both forums ended on an optimistic note. In the words of Andrew Semotiuk, President, the preliminary discussions must now lead to solid strides forward with "CPR", namely, cohesion, professionalism, and ultimately results.



*Top photo: Executive and staff of the Canada-Ukraine Foundation Executive. Front row (l-r): Roman Petryshyn, Andrew Semotiuk (Pres.), Ihor Broda. Back row: Andrew Fedunyk, Dr. George Chuchman, Lesia Szwaluk, Stefan Franko, Taras Pidzamecky.*  
*Bottom: CIDA Senior Project Officer Maury Miloff addresses the CUF Seminar in Edmonton.*

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## Conference '98: "Towards a New Ukraine II: Meeting the Next Century"



### Panel 1: "The New Constitution of Ukraine: Development and Perspectives"

Invited panelists: Dr. Serhiy Holovaty (Ex-Minister of Justice of Ukraine), Dr. Volodymyr Shapoval (Constitutional Court of Ukraine), Prof. Ed Ratushny (University of Ottawa), Judge Bohdan Futey (U.S. Court of Federal Claims), Dr. Gwendolyn Sasse (London School of Economics).

### Panel 2: "The Future of Economic Reform and Investment Opportunities in Ukraine: Economic, Political, and Legal Aspects"

Invited panelists: Dr. Anders Aslund (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace), Dr. Jeffrey Sachs (Director, Harvard Institute for International Development), The Right Honourable Ramon J. Hnatyshyn, Dr. Volodymyr Lanovy (Acting Chairman, State Property Fund of Ukraine), Dr. Viktor Pyznenyk (Former Deputy Prime Minister of Ukraine). Two other panelists may be included.

### Panel 3: "Language, Culture, and National Identity in Ukraine"

Invited panelists: Dr. Michael Naydan (Pennsylvania State University), on literature; Dr. Oksana Zabuzhko (linguist, literary critic, Kyiv), on culture; Dr. Yevhen Sverstiuk (writer, literary critic, Kyiv), on national identity; Dr. Antonina Berezovenko (Kyiv Polytechnical University), on language.

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