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8:30 - 9:00 am: Registration and Coffee

9:00 – 9:20 am: Opening Remarks

Oksana Shulyar, Embassy of Ukraine

Amb. Roman Popadiuk, Morgan Lewis Consulting, Ukraine in Washington Co-Chair
Amb. Temuri Yakobashvili, New International Leadership Institute, Ukraine in Washington Co-Chair
Forum Moderator: Orest Deychakiwsky, Helsinki Commission

9:20 - 10:20 am: Roadmap for the Next President: Finding Success in Ukraine

Amb. Steven Pifer, Brookings Institution • Anders Aslund, Atlantic Council

Amb. William Taylor, United States Institute of Peace

Moderator: Amb. William Green Miller

10:20 – 10:30 am: Break

10:30 - 11:15 am: New Realities: Redefining U.S. Strategy towards Russia and Ukraine

Amb. Kurt Volker, McCain Institute • Ian Brzezinski, Atlantic Council

Moderator: Amb. Temuri Yakobashvili, New International Leadership Institute, UW Co-Chair

11:15 - 12:00 pm: Sanctions: A Tool for Confronting Putin's War in Ukraine

Celeste Wallander, National Security Council • Karen Dawisha, Miami University (Ohio)

David Kramer, McCain Institute

Moderator: Nadia Diuk, National Endowment for Democracy

12:00 - 1:15 pm: Working Lunch

12:30 pm: Speaker: Amb. Melanne Vermeer

Senior Advisor to Clinton-Kaine Campaign, Surrogate for Sec. Clinton

Moderator: Amb. William Green Miller, The Wilson Center

1:15 - 2:10 pm: Fighting Corruption, Supporting Reformers

Ed Chow, CSIS • Tom Firestone, Baker & McKenzie • Charles Davidson, Hudson Institute • Ben Judah,

Moderator: Hannah Thoburn, Hudson Institute

2:10 - 3:00 pm: Sounding the Alarm for Ukraine, Europe and Russia Campaign

Natalia Arno, Free Russia Foundation • Mykola Hryckowian, Center for US Ukrainian Relations

Ruslan Zamaray, United Help Ukraine • Roksolana Misilo, Ukrainian National Women's League of America

Iryna Mazur, Ukrainian Federation of America • Karl Altau, Joint Baltic American National Committee

Moderator: Nadia K. McConnell, U.S.-Ukraine Foundation

3:00 – 3:10 pm: Break

3:10 - 4:00 pm: Kremlin's Propaganda War

Old Playbook, New Methods, Weaponization of Information

Alina Polyakova, Atlantic Council • Paul Goble, Editor, Windows on Eurasia

Chris Walker, National Endowment for Democracy

Moderator: Myroslava Gongadze, Voice of America

4:00 – 4:45 pm: Speaker: Gov. Bob Ehrlich

Senior Advisor to Trump-Pence Campaign, Surrogate for Mr. Trump

Moderator: Robert A. McConnell, R.A. McConnell&Associates

4:45 – 4:50 pm: Closing Remarks: Nadia K. McConnell, U.S.-Ukraine Foundation

Robert A. McConnell, Principal of R.A. McConnell Government Advocacy Practice at Gibson, Dunn & Assistant Attorney General in the Department of founder of the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation.



& Associates. Prior positions include: head of the Crutcher, Vice President – Washington for CBS, Inc, Justice during the Reagan Administration. He is Co-

Amb. William Green Miller is a former US ambassador to Ukraine (1993-1998) who most recently held a position as a Senior Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. He is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the International Institute of Strategic Studies, the Middle East Institute and serves as Co-Chair of the Kyiv-Mohyla Foundation. Throughout his career, Ambassador Miller has held positions in the diplomatic, political, NGO, and academic world.

Roxolana Misilo is Vice President for Public Relations of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America, which seeks to unite women of Ukrainian descent and those who affiliate with the Ukrainian community in order to preserve and promote knowledge of Ukrainian culture and uphold ties with international organizations both in America and Ukraine.

Amb. Steven Pifer is the Director of the Arms Control and Non-Proliferation Initiative at the Brookings Institute, and a Senior Fellow in both the Institute's Center for 21st Century Security and Intelligence and the Center on the United States and Europe. Previous positions include Deputy Assistant Secretary of State in the Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, US Ambassador to Ukraine (1998-2000), and service in numerous other capacities for the State Department, including at U.S. Embassies in Warsaw, Moscow, and London.

Alina Polyakova is the Deputy Director of the Dinu Patriciu Eurasia Center at the Atlantic Council and a Senior Fellow in the Council's Future Europe Initiative. She has previously served as an advisor to non-government organizations throughout Europe and the US, working to promote democracy and government reform in Eastern Europe. She is also a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Amb. Roman Popadiuk is Principal at Morgan Lewis Consulting. He is also the Chairman of the World Affairs Councils of America. He was the first US ambassador to Ukraine (1992-1993). His other positions include Executive Director of the George Bush Presidential Library Foundation and Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the administrations of both President Ronald Reagan and President George H.W. Bush.

Oksana Shulyar is currently Charge d'affaires at the Embassy of Ukraine. She was appointed Political Counselor to the Embassy in September 2015 after serving as Deputy Director of the Foreign Policy Department at the Administration of the President of Ukraine. In 2014 she worked on foreign policy issues for then presidential candidate Petro Poroshenko. She has also worked as first secretary at the Ukrainian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2010), senior adviser to the head of the *Verkhovna Rada* Committee on European Integration, and at Ukrainian Institute for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation (2004-2006). She has an MA in International Affairs from Columbia University (2009) and an MA in Economics from Lviv Polytechnic University (2002).

Amb. William Taylor is the Executive Vice President at the US Institute of Peace. Previous positions include: Special Coordinator for Middle East Transitions in the US State Department, US ambassador to Ukraine (2006-2009), Director of the Iraq Reconstruction Management Office, and Coordinator of US assistance to the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

Hannah Thoburn is a Research Fellow at the Hudson Institute, specializing in Russian and Ukrainian politics, Eurasian civil society, and the relationship between the US and Eastern Europe. Prior to joining Hudson, she worked at the Center on the United States and Europe at the Brookings Institution, Foreign Policy Initiative. She also was a Peace Corps volunteer in southern Ukraine.

Amb. Melanne Verveer is a Senior Advisor to the Clinton-Kaine 2016 Presidential Campaign and Executive Director, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, Georgetown University. She served in the Obama Administration from 2009-2013 as the first ever U.S. Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues. Previously, Ambassador Verveer served as the Chair and Co-CEO of the Vital Voices Global Partnership, which she co-founded with Hillary Clinton in 2001. During the Clinton Administration, she served as Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to First Lady Clinton.

Amb. Kurt Volker is Executive Director of the McCain Institute for International Leadership. Previous positions include US Permanent Representative to NATO; Principal Deputy Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs responsible for US policy towards NATO, the OSCE and US-EU relations; Acting Senior Director for European and Eurasian Affairs at the NSC; and Deputy Director to the NATO Secretary-General.

Christopher Walker is the Vice President for Studies and Analysis at the National Endowment for Democracy. His previous Positions include Vice President for Strategy and Analysis at Freedom House, Senior Associate at the EastWest Institute, and Program Manager at the European Journalism Network.

Celeste Wallander is a Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russia and Eurasia on the National Security Council. She has also served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia at the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. She was an Advisor to President Obama during his 2008 campaign. Other positions include professor of government at Harvard University and Director of the Russia and Eurasia Program at CSIS.

Amb. Temuri Yakobashvili is a Founder and President of the New International Leadership Institute. He was Senior Transatlantic Fellow at the German Marshall Fund. He served as Ambassador of Georgia to the US (2011-2013), Georgia's Deputy Prime Minister and State Minister for Reintegration, as well as in various positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Ruslan Zamaray was born in Ukraine and raised in Afghanistan. He returned to Ukraine after the death of his father in the Soviet-Afghan War and attended the Kyiv Polytechnic Institute (KPI). He came to the United States in 1993 and is currently working as a Program Manager in the IT field for a financial company. Ruslan was one of the founders of United Help Ukraine and since September of 2014 served as a Vice-President and then as President of the organization. He is currently a board member of United Help Ukraine.

SOUND THE ALARM FOR UKRAINE

Continuing to Sound the Alarm!

The U.S.-Ukraine Foundation (USUF) is a “do-tank” committed to achieving results by translating analyses and recommendations into practice. This year the USUF is celebrating 25 years of contributing to US-Ukraine relations. Together with its Ukrainian partner organization the Pylyp Orlyk Institute for Democracy (POID), USUF designs and implements long-term strategic technical assistance programs in areas critical to Ukraine’s development as a sovereign, democratic and prosperous country.

Recognizing the great commitment, resilience and growing capacity of the people of Ukraine to make the ultimate sacrifice for freedom with dignity in defense of their own interests and ours, the USUF has resolved to continue to Sound the Alarm both within the U.S. and among the international community through several initiatives.

- **The Friends of Ukraine Network** (FOUN) is a non-partisan, informal coalition of former ambassadors, leading foreign policy and international security professionals and other experts who have dealt with key aspects of Ukraine's relations with the U.S. and the international community. The FOUN evolved out of the 2006 - 2012 State Department funded U.S.-Ukraine Policy Dialogue programs. Currently co-chaired by Amb. John Herbst and David Kramer, present members include: Anders Åslund, Amb. Cliff Bond, Ian Brzezinski, Amb. William Courtney, Ed Chow, Amb. Paula Dobriansky, Robert A. McConnell, Amb. William G. Miller, Amd. Steven Pifer, Amb. Roman Popadiuk, Amb. Bill Taylor, Amb. Kurt Volker, Morgan Williams and Amb. Temuri Yakobashvili.

The USUF is also very pleased to announce the formation of:

- **Former Members of Congress for Ukraine.** This group’s leadership currently consists of Congressmen Jim Gerlach (R-PA), Dennis Hertel (D-MI), Mike Fitzpatrick (R-PA) and Jim Moran (D-VA). The group is looking to expand its membership and will, among other activities, support the work of the Senate and House Ukraine Caucuses.
- **Nationwide Ukraine Advocacy Network** is bringing together organizations and individuals in support of Ukraine. During the week of October 23 – 29, the Network is conducting a nationwide, grassroots advocacy campaign contacting Presidential and Congressional candidates. This week’s advocacy campaign is the first of its kind, with more to follow.



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