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Energy Community Secretariat

Cross-Border Sustainable Renewable Acceleration Areas in Ukraine – PHASE II

Introduction of Renewables Acceleration Areas in Ukraine: institutional, regulatory and awareness issues on the pathway to EU RED III implementation

Stakeholder Discussion Session

Venue: Online on Zoom (pre-registration link)
Date: 6 November 2026
Time: 10:00 – 12:00 EEST

CONCEPT

As Ukraine advances its green energy transition and post-war reconstruction while progressing along its EU integration path, aligning national energy governance with the EU's revised Renewable Energy Directive (RED III) has become of a high priority. Central to RED III is the establishment of Renewables Acceleration Areas (RAAs)—designated zones intended to fast-track project permitting, optimize spatial planning, and streamline grid integration while embedding strict, front-loaded environmental safeguards.

However, transposing and operationalizing the RAA framework within Ukraine presents a complex matrix of institutional, regulatory, and public awareness challenges. From an institutional perspective, national agencies, regional administrations, and local hromadas face overlapping mandates, fragmented spatial data, and capacity constraints. Regulatively, Ukraine must harmonize its land-use planning, environmental impact assessment (EIA/SEA) frameworks, and grid connection rules with EU directives without compromising environmental integrity or national energy security. At the awareness level, local authorities, private developers, and civil society lack a shared understanding of what RAA designation entails, often misinterpreting accelerated permitting as a deregulation mechanism that bypasses community rights or environmental protections.

In this regard the event is aimed to discuss existing achievements and identify further steps in supporting the RED III requirements implementation in Ukraine.

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1. Welcoming Remarks

10:00 – 10:05

- Ms. Svitlana Karpyshyna, Head of PMU, Energy Community Secretariat
- Ms. Oksana Aliieva, Senior Associate, European Climate Foundation

  Ms. Aleksandra Bujaroska, Senior Expert in Environmental Governance, Permitting and Planning and Lead, Centre for RES Acceleration, Energy Community Secretariat

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2. Ukraine's RAAs Progress and Prospects

10:05 – 10:15

Progress on introducing RED III demands into national legislation and the vision of further regulations	Ms. Iryna Sysoieva, Head of the Renewable Energy Expert Group, Directorate for Electric Power Complex and Electricity Market Development, Ministry of Energy of Ukraine

3. RAA in Ukraine PHASE II - Project Achievements

10:15 – 11:00

Application of RAAs criteria in spatial planning	Maryna Zerkal, coordinator of environment protection and integrative planning branches, LLC "AGEORA"
Institutional capacity building contributions	Viktor Putrenko, Director of the LLC "AGEORA"
Stakeholder engagement outcomes	Anastasiia Oleshchenko, coordinator of spatial planning branch of the LLC "AGEORA"

4. Regional & Local Considerations

11:00 – 11:30

	Olena Vasylko, Chief Architect of Lvivska Oblast, Director of the Department of Architecture and Urban Development of the Lvivska Oblast Military Civil Administration
	Volodymyr Stratiy, Deputy Head of the Directorate of Urban Planning and Architecture, Head of Division of Planning and Construction of the Vinnytska Oblast Military Civil Administration
	Oleh Horbatiuk, Head of Rukshynska Village Territorial Hromada (Chernivetska Oblast)
	Serhii Tymoshchenko, Deputy Head of Yasinianska Settlement Territorial Hromada (Zakarpatska Oblast)
Vision and requiremesnts for RAA planning from the bottom up	Bohdana Stoian, Chief Project Architect in LLC "GEO SPACES" (Ivano-Frankivsk)

5. Discussion Panel

11:30 – 12:00

Moderated discussion related to the topic	Moderator – Anastasiia Oleshchenko, coordinator of spatial planning branch of the LLC "AGEORA"