

From Destruction to Recovery: Building Ukraine's Future Prosperity

Thursday 14 May 2026

13:00 – 13:45 **Registration and coffee**

13:45 – 15:00 **Ukraine: The route to prosperity**

Welcome remarks:

Simon Smith, Chairman, Steering Committee, Ukraine Forum, Chatham House

Speakers:

Odile Renaud-Basso, President, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Stephen Doughty, Minister of State of the United Kingdom for Europe and North America

Marta Kos, European Commissioner for EU Enlargement

Oleksii Kuleba, Deputy Prime Minister for Restoration of Ukraine, Minister for Development of Territories and Communities of Ukraine

Moderator: Orysia Lutsevych OBE, Head of Ukraine Forum, Chatham House

15:00 – 16:00 **Win-Win: Ukraine's Security and Recovery as an Asset for Europe**

Guiding questions:

- How can Ukraine and its international partners work together to develop security arrangements that provide credible long-term assurances, and strengthen regional stability?
- What forms of long-term security guarantees or cooperative frameworks could most effectively enhance investor confidence and enable sustained recovery?
- How can the recovery process become an opportunity for Europe and Ukraine to advance joint ambitions in areas such as green transition, digitalisation, and strategic industries?

Speakers:

Yuriy Butsa, Government Commissioner for Public Debt Management

Pawel Kowal, Polish Special Envoy for Reconstruction of Ukraine, host of URC 2026

Muriel Lacoue-Labarthe, Special Envoy of the President of the French Republic for Ukraine's Recovery and Reconstruction

Fabrizio Mazza, Managing Director, Global Public Agency Leader, Marsh

Moderator: David Lubin, Michael Klein Senior Research Fellow, Global Economy and Finance Programme, Chatham House

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee break**

16:30 – 17:45 **Key Domestic Enablers and Barriers to Recovery**

Guiding questions:

- Which are the more pressing institutional and governance challenges that need to be addressed for Ukraine's economic recovery and EU accession?
- Which targeted reforms or capacity-building measures would most effectively strengthen Ukraine's economic growth and support a more predictable and competitive business environment?
- How can Ukraine and international partners better coordinate support to advance reforms?

Speakers:

Mark Bowman, Vice President, Policy and Partnerships, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Anna Derevianko, Executive Director European Business Association

Anka Feldhusen, Business Ombudsman of Ukraine (**online guest speaker**)

Kataryna Wolczuk, Associate Fellow, Russia and Eurasia Programme, Chatham House

Moderator: Francis Dearnley, Executive Editor, The Telegraph

17:45 – 18:00 **Comfort break**

18:00 – 19:00 **Expanding the Investment Pipeline: Key Priorities
During and After the War**

Guiding questions:

- How can firms navigate the dual challenge of operating in a wartime context while preparing for long-term market expansion?
- How can Ukraine position itself competitively in emerging European value chains—particularly in green technologies, logistics, and digital services?
- What are the most significant labour-market constraints for firms today, and which policies and support mechanisms could accelerate the reintegration of displaced people and veterans?

Speakers:

Dennis Bazilevych, Head of Government Relations at Nova Global, GR Advisor at NOVA Group of Companies (Nova Post / Nova Global)

Stephanie von Friedeburg, Global Head, Public Sector Banking, Citi

Dariia Marchak, Deputy Minister of Economy, Environment and Agriculture of Ukraine

John Patton, Founding Partner, Head of EMEA, Argentem Creek Partners

Moderator: Matteo Patrone, Vice President, Banking, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

19:00– 19:15

**Closing Remarks – Odile Renaud-Basso, President, European Bank
for Reconstruction and Development**