

**Unofficial translation
AGREEMENT**

**ON CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE AND
THE VICE-PRIME MINISTER OF UKRAINE ON ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM**

The OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine and the Vice-Prime Minister of Ukraine on administrative reform, further referred to as Parties,

FOLLOWING the Memorandum of Understanding between the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and the Government of Ukraine Concerning the Creation of a New Form of Co-operation of July 13, 1999, the parties expressed their wish to co-operate for the purpose of further strengthening of democratic governance practices in Ukraine. In order to achieve the above-mentioned goal, the Parties have concluded this Agreement on Co-operation (further referred to as Agreement).

In this Agreement, the Parties set forth their understanding of the general directions of their activities for the achievement of the above mentioned goal.

This Agreement does not create any contractual rights or duties for the Parties.

AGREED on the following:

Article 1

The OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine agrees to provide consultative, methodical and technical assistance to the Vice-Prime Minister of Ukraine on Administrative and Territorial reform upon his request, in particular in the following tasks:

- Conducting the administrative reform in Ukraine, aimed at ensuring the effective functioning of the executive authorities, reform of the state service system, development of local self-governance, increase of the quality of administrative services, in particular through further development of the Electronic Government system in Ukraine, taking into consideration the experience of OSCE member-states;
- Introduction of European standards in Ukraine and use of European experience in the area of state governance, activities of executive authorities, election procedures, in particular the creation of a voter register;
- Ensuring open and transparent decision-making process concerning, among other things, conducting the administrative and territorial reform, in particular through the activity of expert working groups, which will be created with the support of the OSCE.

Article 2

For the purpose of implementation of this Memorandum on Co-operation, the Co-ordinating Group will be formed, consisting of the representatives of both Parties.

Article 3

This Memorandum comes into effect as of the date of signature of both Parties.

This Memorandum is signed by authorized representatives of both Parties and submitted on April __, 2005.

On behalf of the
VICE-PRIME MINISTER OF UKRAINE

On behalf of the
OSCE PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR IN UKRAINE
