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AND RULE OF LAW



CEDEM TEAM



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**CHANGE
TO WIN**



FOREWORD

Ukrainians lived through 2023 in the fight for their independence; it's becoming increasingly obvious that our war is not a sprint but rather a marathon.

Therefore, we must learn not only to respond to urgent calls, but also to go on with the previous projects and prepare for the future. Changes do not happen overnight, and today's efforts lay the groundwork for tomorrow's victories.

Therefore, the main result of the past year is that we have expanded our activities. In 2023, we added social media and their moderation, as well as legislative regulation of artificial intelligence in Ukraine to the topics we are continuously dealing with.

Over three quarters of Ukrainians absorb news from social media. They are ahead of television and news websites in terms of popularity. At the same time, disinformation and PSYOP can be spread through social media. Therefore, our team paid special attention to this issue.

CEDEM IS A THINK-AND-ACT TANK,

SO WE COMBINE PROMOTING PUBLIC POLICIES AMENDMENT WITH ONGOING WORK ON ANALYSIS, CONSULTATION, AND RAISING AWARENESS.

Throughout this year, we educated the people/society about the peculiarities of social media and advocated for changes in the policies and algorithms of the latter so that Ukrainians would not suffer from blocking and restrictions when sharing their content about the war. The CEDEM team helped Ukrainian media and bloggers get out of bans, explained Ukrainian context to moderators, and identified disinformation and phishing posts so they could be quickly removed.

Artificial intelligence (AI), which the Davos Forum program called "the driving force for the economy and society", can both help (inventing medicines, conducting research) and harm (flooding the Internet with fakes and disinformation).

That's why we are working to make AI help solve problems rather than create new ones, and to make Ukraine one of the leaders in this field. Our organization [has already joined](#) the Council of Europe Committee on Artificial Intelligence as an observer.

As before, in addition to independent media, CEDEM continued its work in the areas of rule of law and civil society. Free access to information, media literacy or road safety is becoming even more important in wartime. After all, it is our duty before our defenders: waste no time and change the country for the better.

CEDEM experts continued their longstanding work on improving Ukrainian legislation for the benefit of civil soci-

ety. Our team, together with our partners, developed draft laws in support of volunteering in Ukraine and ensuring the rights of volunteers.

Training remains a constant focus for us. In 2023, we shared our experience and knowledge with journalists on the new media law and AI, with civil servants – on access to information in times of war and media literacy, and with colleagues from the civil society – on legislative changes in volunteering and banking. For civil society organizations, we conducted trainings on digital, legal, physical and mental security, cooperation with banks, financial monitoring procedures, and AI tools. We also celebrated the graduation of participants of our fourth Mentorship Program, a multi-month program offering mentorship support to civil society organizations (CSOs).

2023 once again proved that the key to success is the cooperation with change makers in Ukraine and abroad. This

proved to be especially true during the study trips to other countries, forums, trainings and discussions our team organized and participated in. I believe that next year we will see even more positive changes for the public sector.

If we had to describe 2023 in one word, it would be *patience*. The year has shown us how patience and perseverance yield results, albeit not always instant. I am confident that by combining these qualities with unity and responsibility, we will continue to help Ukraine fight for its independence.

I am grateful to the CEDEM team, partners and donors for another year of hard and fruitful work. I want to thank friends, colleagues, government representatives and MPs for working together on projects and initiatives that bring our victory closer.

And special thanks to our four colleagues, CEDEM lawyers, who have been in the ranks of the Armed Forces of Ukraine since the beginning of the full-scale invasion. We are proud of you, love you, and support as much as possible. As well as a deep bow to every defender and volunteer of Ukraine.

OLEZIA KHOLOPIK
CEDEM Director

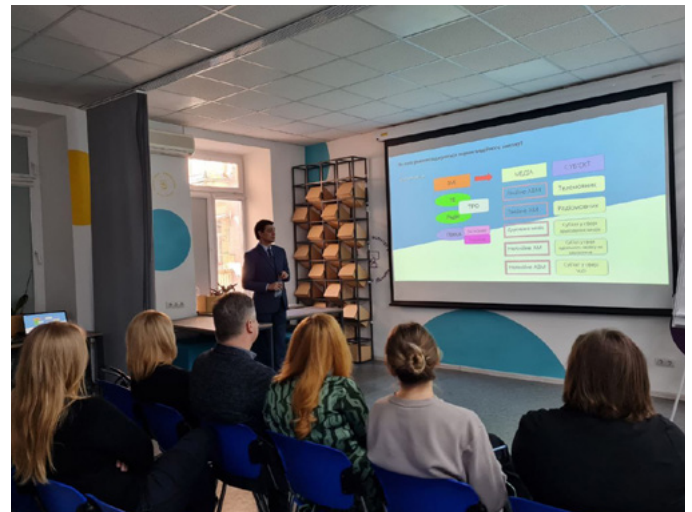
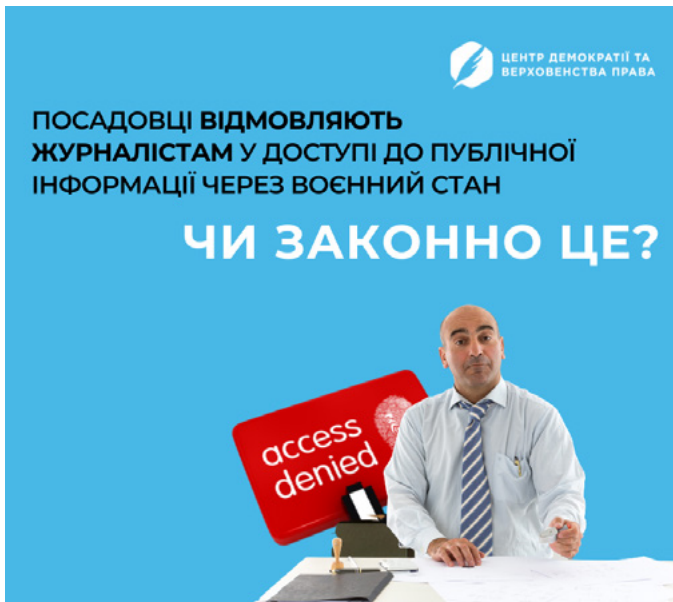
DIVISION RULE OF LAW

RULE OF LAW

IS A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE FOR AN INDEPENDENT DEMOCRACY. THE PRINCIPLE OF THE RULE OF LAW SERVES AS THE BASIS FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIETY AND COVERS ALMOST ALL ASPECTS OF CITIZENS LIFE: FROM PERSONAL SECURITY, FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY TO THE EFFECTIVE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION.



Within the Rule of Law Division, experts from CEDEM study state policy on access to public information, judicial and electoral reform, analyze international experience, and prepare practical recommendations to address pressing issues in Ukraine, in particular by amending the legislation.





ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

For more than 10 years in a row, we have been monitoring the proper implementation of the Law of Ukraine “On Access to Public Information”, and helping to exercise the right to access information in practice.

In 2023, [online training sessions](#) on access to public information in times of war, organized by CEDEM in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine attended **1.412 civil servants in charge of information management**. Moreover, CEDEM conducted a [training session](#) on access to public information for judges and court officials and trained **114 participants**. These activities were aimed at familiarizing participants with the challenges and changes in the field of access to public information to ensure that the state is as open as possible to its citizens in times of war, thereby facilitating the effective functioning of democratic processes and trust building.

CEDEM [won](#) the **Avramchuk v. Ukraine** case at the European Court of Human Rights and ensured transparency and accountability of citizens' right to access information about civil servants and their privileges.



Kateryna Avramchuk

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Як я виграла справу в Євросуді проти Апарату ВР, який приховав інформацію про службові квартири нардепів

В 2011 році я працювала в УП над матеріалом, де намагалась проаналізувати, хто з діючих нардепів отримав службові квартири і хто з них справді їх потребував. Я зробила інформаційний запит до Апарату ВР, але отримала відмову оприлюднити імена депутатів, як і отримали квартири протягом останньої трьох каденцій парламенту. Простіше кажучи, в Раді відмовились "здавати депутатів", які отримали житло за державний рахунок.

Відмова в наданні інформації — порушення Закону України «Про доступ до публічної інформації». Відповідно до Закону України «Про статус народного депутата» «розподіл жилих приміщень для народних депутатів провадиться відкрито і гласно». Наголошую: відкрито і гласно.

В 2012 році за підтримки [Центр демократії та верховенства права](#), був поданий позов до суду. Ми програли у всіх українських судових інстанціях. Суди наполягали, що рішення приховати списки депутатів, які отримали кошти за державний рахунок, — законне. В 2013 році ми подали заяву до ЄСПЛ.

І через 10 років без 9 днів ЄСПЛ ухвалив рішення: «Суд не може не визнати, що причини, наведені для виправдання втручання (обмеження доступу до інформації про нардепів), були недостатніми, і що, отже, втручання не було «необхідним у демократичному суспільстві».

Рішення ЄСПЛ вчоргове привертає увагу до питання прозорого та справедливого використання публічних коштів. Євросуд зазначає, що імена осіб, які отримують публічні кошти, не можуть бути засекречені. 3-н "Про доступ до публічної інформації" має діяти.

Це все було би неможливо без підтримки [Центру демократії та верховенства права](#), і зокремо юристів, які представляли мене в судах: Ольги Сушко, Тараса Шевченка — в українських інстанціях, та [Tetyana Oleksiyuk](#), яка супроводжувала справу в ЄСПЛ. Дорога, довжиною в 12 років.



KEY RESULTS



HELD 4 TRAINING SESSIONS



PROVIDED 4 LEGAL CONSULTATIONS



PREPARED 5 ANALYTICAL MATERIALS AND 1 CONSULTATION



ISSUED A STATEMENT ON THE INADMISSIBILITY OF RESTRICTING JUDGMENTS

DIVISION INDEPENDENT MEDIA

**WE PROMOTE THE EMERGENCE OF QUALITY INFORMATION,
INDEPENDENT MEDIA AND AN INFORMED CITIZENRY.**



INDEPENDENT MEDIA DEVELOPMENT



SINCE 2005, CEDEM HAS BEEN WORKING TO DEVELOP AND SUPPORT HIGH-QUALITY AND IMPARTIAL MEDIA THAT PROVIDE HONEST AND BALANCED INFORMATION TO CITIZENS WITHOUT WHICH DEMOCRACY COULD NOT EXIST.

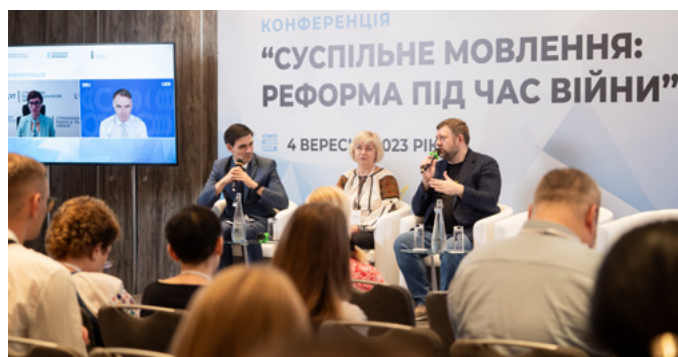
PUBLIC BROADCASTING SUPPORT

During 2023, we continued to advocate for the independence and proper funding of the Suspilne Ukraine (Public Broadcaster).

"In the context of the recovery of Ukraine, Suspilne Ukraine has a key role to play in restoring the media market, reintegrating the occupied territories, supporting tolerance and multiculturalism, and at the same time setting standards for the content quality," reads the CEDEM [statement](#) in support of the broadcaster.

Together with the Suspilne Ukraine and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Committee on Humanitarian and Information Policy, CEDEM held a [conference](#) "Public Broadcasting: Reform in Times of War". The joint efforts of all conference participants secured a UAH 350 million increase in funding for the Suspilne Ukraine for 2024, and fixed the funding at UAH 1.85 billion.

Following the changes in budgetary funding for the Suspilne Ukraine, CEDEM prepared **2 reviews** of the 2024 budget for the [first](#) and [second](#) reading.



SUPPORTING KEY MEDIA REFORMS, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE DEVELOPMENT AND ADVOCACY FOR EFFECTIVE CONTENT MODERATION IN SOCIAL MEDIA

In 2023, CEDEM continued to [advocate](#) for the effective implementation of media legislation, development of artificial intelligence, and quality content moderation in social media.



KEY RESULTS



Continued to defend media, journalists and activists against blocking of social media accounts and posts and filed over **800 complaints** of such blocking on Facebook and Instagram to Meta. Thanks to CEDEM's efforts, **68% of cases were resolved in favor of social media users**, and accounts and posts were unblocked



Participated in the [study](#) "Technology and Counterterrorism: Determining the Impact of Biometric Surveillance and Social Media Platforms on Civic Space"



Joined the [development of guidelines](#) on AI in the media



Development [Recommendations](#) on moderating content on social media



Established a National and International Coalition of Ukrainian and foreign NGOs in the media sphere to address the content

35 [analytical materials](#) were prepared on media legislation, copyright law, content moderation in social media, personal data protection, AI development and regulation, the dangers of Telegram, and Internet freedom

82 [news items](#) were published with a brief analysis of changes in the media environment

2 [reviews](#) were prepared on [copyright law](#), [personal data protection](#) in the context of AI application,

2 [articles](#) in Liga.net and [Kyiv Independent](#) on the problems of content moderation in social media, as well as **2 studies** on [the impact](#) of social media on Ukrainian media and [analysis](#) of complaints which CEDEM appealed to Meta

4 [videos](#) were created with digital avatars of the Independent Media team that talk about innovations in media and AI (1, 2, 3, 4)

3 [interactive videos](#) that explore various social media issues and media topics (1, 2, 3) were created

2 [expert discussions](#) were held on the problems of moderating content in social media (1, 2)



MEDIA EDUCATION

MEDIA EDUCATION

HAS BEEN AN IMPORTANT PART OF CEDEM'S ACTIVITIES SINCE ITS ESTABLISHMENT. WE REGULARLY ORGANIZE EDUCATIONAL COURSES IN MEDIA LAW FOR JOURNALISTS, STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND ACTIVE CITIZENS.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR JOURNALISTS OF THE SUSPILNE UKRAINES BRANCHES AND REGIONAL JOURNALISTS

Our experts helped the Suspilne Ukraine team and regional journalists to increase their knowledge of general issues of media law, access to public information, protection of journalistic sources, copyright and balancing freedom of expression and privacy, application of AI, mental health support, etc.



MEDIA LITERACY

Media literacy, development of critical thinking in citizens, and combating disinformation are relevant and important areas of our work.

4 **training sessions** CEDEM were [held](#) for journalists of national and regional publications and media representatives.

100+ **participants** – members of the Suspilne Ukraine team, including journalists, editors, analysts, producers and other professionals as well as regional journalists, journalism students and journalism faculties teachers.

55 **consultations** were provided, including **targeted consultations** in response to e-mail and hotline requests and [published consultations](#) on the **CEDEM website** on the work of journalists in the legal field

5 **online educational tests** were prepared on personal data protection ([1](#), [2](#)), [media law](#) implementation, impact of information on [children](#) and [war coverage](#)

34 **infographics** were created: **2 infographics** on the types of publications that are blocked on Facebook and Instagram, as well as the tools for such blocking; 17 infographics in carousel format for social media ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#)) on securing access to one's Facebook account; **12 infographics** on an overview of CEDEM's interaction with Meta's support service; **3** infographics on authorship in interviews



INDEPENDENT MEDIA COUNCIL

The Independent Media Council (IMC) is a permanent public monitoring and advisory body created in 2016 by non-governmental organizations at the initiative of CEDEM. The Council was established by the Centre for Democracy and Rule of Law, the Institute of Mass Media, Internews-Ukraine, Detector Media and the Sospilnist Foundation.

In 2023, the Independent Media Council continued to uphold high standards of journalism, in particular: **reviewed 4 complaints** and **issued 3 findings** of violation of journalistic standards, media legislation and the like.

IN ADDITION, THE INDEPENDENT MEDIA COUNCIL, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF CEDEM:

Prepared 2 recommendations:

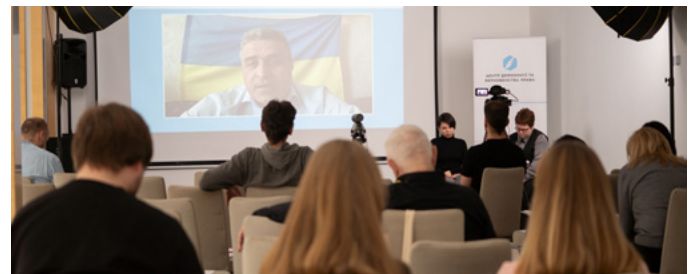
- Recommendation [No. 19. How media should select independent and competent experts](#)
- Recommendation [No. 20. Digital security of journalists \(and not only\) in the conditions of war](#)

Held 3 events:

- [Journalism in the deoccupied territories: Ukrainian realities](#)
- [Can ex-journalists of pro-Russian media return to the profession?: CEDEM and the Independent Media Council organize an expert discussion](#)
- [Presumption of innocence: Ethical challenges in investigative journalism](#)

Raised relevant topics in 3 statements, in particular:

- [Statement](#) "The return to Ukrainian TV of pro-Russian propaganda accomplices is unacceptable"
- [Statement](#) "We urge the media not to cover the 2024 Olympic Games if Russians and Belarusians are allowed to participate"
- [Statement](#) on the inadmissibility of broadcasting content in Russian by cable providers in Ukraine



In 2023, as in previous years, we worked closely with the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine and the Centre for Strategic Communications and Information Security. In partnership, we continued the educational project "Disinformation Counteraction School". Its purpose is to increase the level of society's resilience to external information influences by training civil servants in strategic communications and countering disinformation.

We also collaborated with the national media literacy project "Filter" to improve the coordination of media literacy efforts in Ukraine.

During 2023, Filter created many educational materials for the general public, combining media literacy topics with discussions of mental health, history and culture, covering a wide range of issues relevant to the Ukrainian public. Based on its materials, the project founded the journal ["The Life of Ukraine"](#) (Pro Zhyttia Ukrainy). The journal consists of three special projects, including "Real Faces of Famous Ukrainians", "Debunking USSR Myths" and "Unknown Ukrainian History". A total of 150 copies of the journal were published and handed over for distribution to the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine.

For the International Youth Day, the Filter team organized a program called "Filter Easy: How to Identify Fakes and Create Quality Content". The modules covered topics ranging from video production to problems related to media regulation on platforms such as Telegram and social media, as well as understanding information warfare. Ihor Rozkladai, CEDEM Deputy Director, spoke in detail about platform regulation.

In collaboration with the Public Broadcaster and UNDP, Filter prepared a lesson on public stereotypes, hate speech against displaced people, and disinformation tactics. In times of war, teachers face challenges and are often unable to create their own media literacy lessons. The lesson developed by Filter is designed to help teachers cover the topic of media literacy for children.

In total, Filter produced and distributed 310 educational materials, conducted 2 workshops for youth on responsible content creation and distribution, and 2 live Instagram educational broadcasts (video 1 "How Manipulative Translation Can Help Spread Disinformation", video 2 "Journalism in Times of War"). Over 150 users joined the online broadcasts, and over 2.500 more users viewed the videos after the broadcasts.

Filter also held a National Unity Lesson, which was broadcast on YouTube and garnered over 70.000 views. The scale of the national project is evidenced by the figures: From April 1 to December 31, 2023, the total reach on social media was 6.1 million users.

DIVISION CIVIL SOCIETY

CEDEM PROMOTES THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SOCIETY OF ACTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND WORKS TO STRENGTHEN DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY IN UKRAINE.

WE CREATE A PLATFORM FOR LEARNING, NETWORKING, AND BRINGING CIVIL SOCIETY ACTIVISTS TOGETHER FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF POWERFUL PROJECTS. WITHIN THE DIVISION, OUR ORGANIZATION CONTRIBUTES TO STRENGTHENING DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY IN UKRAINE AND WORKS ON PROJECTS AIMED AT IMPROVING THE LEGAL ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS, STRENGTHENING THEIR INSTITUTIONAL AND ADVOCACY CAPACITY, AND INCREASING THE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF CITIZENS IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY.



UKRAINE CIVIL SOCIETY SECTORAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY

CEDEM has been working on the implementation of the project "Ukraine Civil Society Sectoral Support Activity" since 2019. The project is implemented by the Initiative Center to Support Social Action "Ednannia" in a consortium with the Ukrainian Center for Independent Political Research (UCIPR) and CEDEM. In 2023, the project was extended for another year – until September 2025.

It aims to improve the civil society environment and strengthen the institutional capacity of CSOs to enhance the self-reliance of the public sector in Ukraine.

ADVOCACY CAMPAIGNS

IN 2023, WE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTING ADVOCACY CAMPAIGNS:

1. Introducing a Tax Designation Mechanism in Ukraine

The Tax Designation Mechanism is a tool for citizens who pay personal income tax to assign a small share of this tax to chosen by them civil society organizations.

As part of the campaign, draft laws on the introduction of tax designation mechanism, as well as bylaws regulating this process, have been developed. We are also running an information campaign explaining what percentage philanthropy (aka tax designation mechanism) is and how it works. In 2023, we continued communication with a parliamentary committee to justify the relevance of the mechanism under Martial law.

2. Improvement of legislation on volunteering

We developed and ensured the adoption of draft laws promoting volunteering in Ukraine and ensuring the rights of volunteers. In addition, we disseminated information about the culture of volunteering in Ukraine and signed a [Memorandum of Partnership and Cooperation with the National Social Service of Ukraine \(NSSU\)](#).



KEY RESULTS



Prepared and [presented an updated Chapter 5 "Development of Volunteer Activity"](#) of the Legal Reforms Roadmap for Civil Society in Ukraine



Issued 2 joint statements: [joint statement of 33 organizations](#) on the need to ensure the right of volunteers who were injured while providing volunteer assistance in combat zones to receive one-time financial assistance from the state and [joint statement of 29 organizations](#) on the need to restore the right of volunteers who were injured while providing assistance to civilians in combat zones to receive financial assistance from the state



Held 2 surveys: [A survey of volunteers](#) affected by combat operations and [a survey](#) on legal issues related to volunteer activities



Held a discussion panel "[How to remain a country of volunteers?](#)" during the Civil Society Development Forum "Outlines of the Future"



Developed and distributed [Template of the Volunteering Agreement](#), namely its templates for [local self-government bodies and state authorities](#) and for [NGOs and charitable organizations](#)



Presented the publication "[Guide to Volunteering in Ukraine: Legislation, Management and Best Practices](#)" (created in partnership with NSSU and the Ukrainian Volunteer Service)



Launched a [flash mob campaign](#) to thank volunteers and organizations engaging volunteers (via sharing a [video](#))



Developed [Draft Law of Ukraine No. 10040 "On Amendments to the Tax Code of Ukraine Regarding the Support of Volunteer Activities Under Martial Law"](#) and [advocated for its registration](#) in the Parliament. Once adopted, Draft Law will exempt the expenses of public associations and charitable organizations, other non-profit organizations related to insurance of life and health of volunteers for the period of their volunteer activities from personal income tax and military levy



Co-organized and participated in a [study tour to Poland](#) to learn the best practice of developing a culture of volunteering

3. Simplification of migration procedures for foreign volunteers

We worked on improving migration policy for foreign volunteers, prepared analytical materials "[What an Organization Engaging Foreign Volunteers Should Look Out For](#)" and held a number of meetings with experts and stakeholders to develop the concept for solving the problem ([Section 5 of Legal Reforms Roadmap for CSOs, updated](#)).

4. Reducing risks for CSOs arising from the implementation of legislation on money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism

We helped CSOs to improve their knowledge of banking legislation, address the problems the civic sector faces when receiving funds from abroad, participated in development of the Methodology for Determining the Ultimate

Beneficial Owner by Legal Entities (chapter for non-profit organizations) and, together with the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, organized and held a training for CSOs on meeting its requirements. We started an independent self-assessment of non-profit organizations according to the methodology previously developed by CEDEM and agreed upon by the State Financial Monitoring Service of Ukraine, established a dialogue between banks, public authorities and non-profit organizations, held joint public events and training with public authorities. We participated in international events as speakers and organizers, and also contributed to the update of Recommendation 8 of the Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering (FATF). We signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Academy of Financial Monitoring of Ukraine, and became a member of the Steering Committee of the PGG III Project on Enhancing anti-money laundering, counter terrorist financing and asset recovery regime in Ukraine of the Council of Europe Office in Ukraine.

KEY RESULTS



Organized [a joint study visit of CSOs and government agencies](#) to Germany in partnership with the German Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine and the VENRO NGO (Germany)



In cooperation with the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, [developed a chapter on non-profit organizations](#) for [the Methodology for Determining the Ultimate Beneficial Owner by Legal Entity](#)



Held workshop "How CSOs Can Navigate the Reefs of Financial Monitoring in the Stormy Sea of Martial Law and Recovery Processes" as part of the XII Annual Civil Society Development Forum "May the force be with us"



Developed the Methodology for independent assessment of the sector of non-profit organizations for risks in the field of anti-money laundering and countering financing of terrorist (AML/CFT), had it agreed upon by the State Financial Monitoring Service of Ukraine and started the assessment of the sector in accordance with this methodology. The report prepared by CEDEM based on the results of this assessment will be included in the official report of the next round of the National Risk Assessment in 2025



Became co-organizers and speakers of the international conference "[Ensuring the Integrity and Sustainability of the Financial System of Ukraine](#)", RUSI, London



Participated in [two international conferences on legislation in the field of financial monitoring](#) organized by the State Financial Monitoring Service of Ukraine



Submitted recommendations for the improvement of Recommendation 8 to FATF (partially taken into account)



IMPROVING BANKING SERVICES FOR CSOS IN 2023

In Martial law, CSO banking problems have become more frequent and systemic. The reasons are varied, some of them lie in the lack of clear communication between banks and clients, some in the international standards that created the international financial monitoring system, others in the national legislation aimed at preventing terrorist financing and countering money laundering. CEDEM focused its efforts on analyzing cases, legislation, international standards and practices, conducting training for CSOs, and creating advocacy materials.

WE PREPARED A NUMBER OF ANALYTICAL AND INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS:

- [Why the State Needs to Identify the Ultimate Beneficial Owners of CSOs and What FATF's Guidance on This Is](#)
- [Financial Monitoring in Banking Services for Civil Society Organizations \(CSOs\): Banks' View](#)
- [NBU Adopts Significant Changes to the Bank Financial Monitoring Rules: What CSOs Need to Know](#)
- [Banking Services for the Public Sector: A Brief Overview of Some Ukrainian Banks' Offers](#)
- [New \(Old\) Financial Monitoring Rules for PEPs and Those around Them: How This Will Affect CSOs](#)

KEY RESULTS



Held closed expert discussion "CSO Banking Problems and Solutions" with international experts and Ukrainian banks



Held training "Stress-Free Financial Monitoring: How Can CSOs Get around Banking Problems?"



Held an expert meeting "Banking Services for NGOs"



Launched an ongoing survey on banking problems for CSOs and provided more than 15 consultations to CSOs



Prepared a brief overview of Ukrainian banks' offers for CSOs



Held an expert discussion "How to Protect CSOs From War-Related Banking Challenges"



Held a series of trainings for CSOs and banks "Improving Banking Services, Protecting CSOs from Risks in the Field of AML/CFT Legislation" (in partnership with the Independent Association of Banks of Ukraine and the Office of the Council of Europe in Ukraine)



Held a workshop "Affordable Banking for CSOs in Time of War" as part of the III CSO Legal Reform Forum "Empowering in Wartime"

REGULATION OF VIRTUAL ASSETS AND THEIR USE BY CSOS

Regulation of virtual assets and their use by CSOs was a new topic for CEDEM in 2023.

KEY RESULTS



Prepared and sent to the Parliament two expert opinions on Draft Laws No. 10225 and No. 10225-1 on the circulation of virtual assets in Ukraine



Joined the working group of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Finance, Tax and Customs Policy on elaboration of Draft Law on the circulation of virtual assets



CSOS' USE OF AI TOOLS

In 2023, we launched training for CSOs to strengthen organizational and operational capacities of organizations through the use of modern technologies, as well as to strengthen knowledge on legal aspects of AI application.

MAIN ACTIVITIES:

- [Expert discussion](#) "Artificial Intelligence and Civil Society Organizations" as a side event of the Annual Forum "Artificial Intelligence 2.0: Regulations and Operation in the Times of War"
- [Workshop](#) "Artificial Intelligence in the Public Sector: From Legislation to Practice" as part of the second day of the III Forum of Legal Reforms for CSOs "Getting Stronger in Time of War"
- [Training Session](#) "Artificial Intelligence for CSO Managers and Leaders: Essential Toolkit for Efficient Management"
- [Training Session](#) "Artificial Intelligence for War Crimes Documentation"
- [Smart Talk](#) "Artificial Intelligence in Ukraine's Recovery: Tools for CSOs" as part of the XII Annual Civil Society Development Forum "May the force be with us"



MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

We want the well-established CSOs to pass on their knowledge and experience to less experienced newly established organizations. During the program, lasting over six months, mentors help mentees develop and strengthen their own advocacy and other abilities. The mentees join the alumni community once they graduate from the program. [Four Mentorship Programs were held over four years.](#)

In 2023, we implemented a [Mentorship Program to strengthen the advocacy and other capacities of civil society organizations from across Ukraine 4.0](#).

For eight months (from February to September 2023), 20 sustainable CSOs (mentors) mentored 20 selected CSOs (mentees) and helped them develop and strengthen advocacy and other capacities. The participants represented the Lviv, Kirovohrad, Kyiv, Vinnytsia, Dnipropetrovsk, Odesa, Zhytomyr, Zakarpattia, Kharkiv, and Poltava regions. The program included 20 hours of mandatory and 10 hours of optional training for mentees, 6 training hours for mentors. During this time, mentee organizations developed and partially implemented 19 advocacy plans.

EVALUATION OF THE PROGRAM BY MENTOR ORGANIZATIONS:

- Mentorship skills score **increased from 6.5 to 8.7**
- Assessment of the level of knowledge and skills of a mentor **increased from 6.9 to 8.5**
- **50% of mentors** indicated that mentorship has become a part of their life
- **42% of mentors** indicated that they felt more confident in providing mentorship services and had consolidated their mentorship experience
- **14 out of 19 mentors** surveyed are willing to provide mentorship services in future
- The overall evaluation of the Mentorship Program by mentors is **9.4 out of 10**

EVALUATION OF THE PROGRAM BY MENTEE ORGANIZATIONS:

- Advocacy skills assessment **increased from 3.3** (*mentee's subjective assessment of their advocacy skills at the beginning of the program*) **to 7.9** (assessment at the end of the program) **(+4.6)**
- Assessment of the level of knowledge on gender and inclusion approaches **increased from 5.3** (*mentee's subjective assessment of her level of knowledge on gender and inclusion approaches at the beginning of the program*) **to 7.6 (+2.3)**
- Assessment of the ability to independently develop and implement advocacy plans increased **from 8.1 out of 10**



KEY RESULTS



Held a three-day offline camp for 60 participants of the Mentorship Program 4.0 and the alumni community



Held Final event of the [Mentorship Program 4.0](#)



Prepared the [Mentorship Program 4.0 Yearbook](#)



Developed a [Map of the Mentorship Program Community Participants](#)



Held a panel discussion at the III Forum of Legal Reforms for CSOs "[Mentorship on Trend: What Mentorship Programs Exist for CSOs and How to Improve the Quality of Mentoring](#)"



Made more than 50 publications (success stories, informational and training materials)



Launched enrollment for the Mentorship Program 5.0 (to be run from March to September 2024)

LEGAL REFORMS ROADMAP FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

It is an analytical, visionary and [policy document](#) that outlines the civil sector's vision of reform priorities and improves the legal environment for civil society organizations of Ukraine for 2021-2025.



III FORUM OF LEGAL REFORMS FOR CSOS "EMPOWERING IN WARTIME"

In 2023, CEDEM held the [III Forum of Legal Reforms for CSOs "Empowering in Wartime"](#), which attracted more than 200 offline participants and more than 1.500 online views (video of [Day 1](#), [Day 2](#)).

The forum attracted more than 20 speakers and consisted of 9 panel discussions, one smart talk (Trust and Verify! Why CSOs Should Check Their Partners and How to Do It"), 2 workshops ("Affordable Banking for CSOs in Wartime", "Legal Regulation and Application of AI Tools: Most Important for CSOs"), 1 presentation, one-day facilitated training for 17 organizations that engage volunteers and carry out humanitarian activities, which consisted of three training modules.

KEY RESULTS



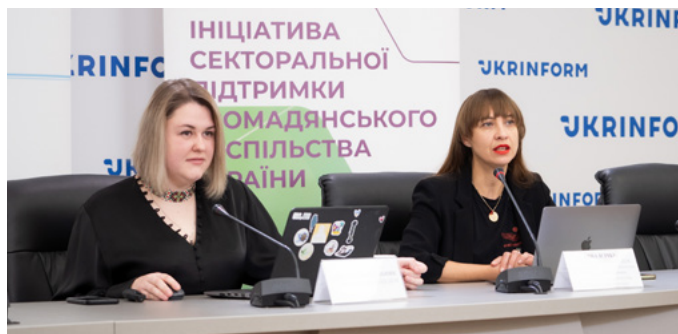
Participated in [the development of the Action Plan of implementation of the National Strategy for the Civil Society Development Promotion](#), approved in [February 2023](#)



In December 2023, we joined the workshop of the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine to plan the next Action Plan for 2025-2026



Held two [public expert discussions](#), which allowed for the development of an updated [Chapter 5 "Development of Volunteering"](#) of the Legal Enabling Environment Reform Roadmap for CSOs



KEY RESULTS



We became a partner of [Civil Society Week](#)



Prepared [a video](#) about the key principles of further reforms for CSOs



Prepared a series of videos with speeches by Forum participants ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#))



Prepared [a video](#) for Civil Society Week

LEGAL REFORMS PLATFORM FOR CSOS

This is a coalition to coordinate the efforts of CSOs so that CSOs can work together to advocate and support the implementation of positive legal changes for civil society. The Platform for Legal Reforms for CSOs has **115 members**.

In 2023, despite the war, CEDEM provided information support to the Platform and conducted training activities, distributed 5 digests to Platform members.



KEY RESULTS



Held a series of webinars for Platform participants and other CSOs on legislation, taxation and financial management for CSOs



Conducted 4 interviews with Platform member organizations and other CSOs about their cases of successful transformation since the invasion and prepared a series of infographics with tips (How to Help People in Frontline and Occupied Territories, How to Be a Hub for Coordination of Individual Volunteers, How to Rebuild Premises and Organization, How and Why One Team Should Work from Different Countries)



Held a training session on how organizations shall conclude contracts with volunteers



Provided advice on how to set up an organization, in particular for the needs of volunteer recruitment and organization of volunteer activities

COALITION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CEDEM helps communities and coalitions of CSOs get united for more efficient and scalable action.

KEY RESULTS



In 2023, we completed a 10-month training program to develop the organizational capacity of CSOs and their coalitions through organizational coaching tools



Published a journal with stories from program participants

SAFETY OF ACTIVISTS, VOLUNTEERS AND CSO LEADERS

We continued to develop a culture that prioritizes the safety of CSOs and their leaders, activists, volunteers, because in any circumstances, and especially in wartime, we keep our focus on strengthening CSOs' ability to withstand digital, physical, legal and mental threats to their activities.

In 2023, we held 13 educational events (training, webinars, lectures, panel discussions). We established the coordination and communication platforms for cooperation among human rights organizations and other CSOs, and the representatives of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, as well as the Secretariat of the Human Rights Ombudsman.

We also developed the CSO Legal Aid Providers Network. In 2023, we strengthened the development of the Network and promoted networking as such.



To this end, we:

- Held a series of offline meetings
- Conducted a survey on the needs and demands of CSO legal aid providers

KEY RESULTS



Developed and [presented Safety Traffic Light for Activists and CSOs](#)



Created [a database](#) of security materials for CSOs



[Held Annual Safety School for CSOs and activists](#), as well as [first aid training for them](#)



Prepared a series of three videos for social media on digital security: [The Dangers of Phishing and How to Avoid Them](#), [On the Proper Use of Passwords](#), [How to Take Care of Virus Protection](#)



Provided [over 60 hours of expert advice to 10 NGOs](#) on physical, digital and mental security for CSOs



Developed and presented [Guide on Digital Security](#)



Developed and presented [Guide on Physical Security](#)



Held a panel discussion at the III Forum of Legal Reforms for CSOs ["Why is security still not a priority for CSOs?"](#)



Improved the culture of [safety audits](#) and organized [meetings of safety officers](#)



Produced more than 30 publications on security

COOPERATION AMONG CIVIL SOCIETY, GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESSES

In 2023, CEDEM held the **Third Annual "Civil Society, Businesses and Government – Best Practices of Cooperation" Story Contest**, which was a follow-up to the "Civil Society and Government – Best Practices of Cooperation" [awareness-raising campaign](#) held in 2020 and the "Civil Society, Business and Government – Best Practices of Cooperation" [awareness-raising campaign](#) held in 2022.

The partners of the contest were the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine and the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Ministry of Development of Communities, Territories and Infrastructure of Ukraine and the National Social Service of Ukraine.

KEY RESULTS



Based on the results of the contest, which received 115 applications from 22 regions of Ukraine, we selected 37 winning projects, the stories about which were included in the Collection of Stories "Civil Society, Business and Government – Best Practices of Cooperation"



Created [a series of 6 videos](#) based on the stories from the Collection of Stories 2022

OTHER 2023 ACTIVITIES

- Protected civil society from threats and harassment: CEDEM [co-initiated a joint CSO statement](#) on threats to the government's Draft Law on "Good Lobbying" (over 250 signatories) and joined a working group based on the Parliamentary Legal Policy Committee to finalize the text of the draft law
- Took part in various international conferences, in particular [URC](#), London; Forum of [Chatham House](#), Lviv; Forum [Search for the Future through Civil Society Barometer](#) in the Eastern Partnership countries, Tbilisi; Forum in Salzburg; Open Government Program Summit, Tallinn; [Re-building and Uniting Ukrainian State and Society](#) as part of ACT NOW Mayors Conference, Brussels; [Stakeholder Workshop on Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism in the Eastern Partnership and Europe](#), Warsaw, etc.
- Interviewed [the ambassador of Austria in Ukraine](#) about the work of Austrian CSOs in Ukraine
- Prepared informational material ["Novelties of E-Court: How They Affect CSOs"](#)
- Released the last two episodes of the first season and all episodes of the second season of the [audio podcast "The Evolution Pill"](#). The podcast is one of the [top of popular](#) podcasts in Ukraine
- We prepared 35 expert opinions on regulatory legal acts and draft regulatory legal acts
- We provided 15 consultations to CSOs on registration, activities and taxation issues
- Co-organized the [XII Annual Civil Society Development Forum "May the Force Be With Us"](#), held 2 public events on the topics of AI and financial monitoring, participated in a panel organized by the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine





100 ACTIONS OF RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS

"100 ACTIONS OF RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS"

IS A LONG-TERM PROJECT THAT THE CEDEM TEAM HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTING SINCE 2021. IT ENVISAGES THE CREATION OF A LIST OF 100 DEEDS OF RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE WHO POSITIVELY CHANGE THEIR LIVES, AS WELL AS THE LIVES OF THEIR FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND CITIES.

In 2023, CEDEM completed the active phase of the project "100 Actions of Responsible Citizens", which envisaged the creation of a list of 100 actions of responsible people, change-makers who change their lives and the life of society, city, country for the better.

DURING 2023, WE COLLECTED AND PUBLISHED USEFUL TIPS TO SUPPORT UKRAINIANS IN TIMES OF WAR AND INSPIRING STORIES ABOUT RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS – ORDINARY PEOPLE WHOSE ACTIONS HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON BOTH THEIR LIVES AND THE LIVES OF PEOPLE AROUND THEM, NAMELY:

- [A responsibility story about conscious consumption advocate](#)
- [Advice on whether celebrations are appropriate in wartime](#)
- [A responsibility story about a man who was able to give up bad habits and instead introduced healthy habits, sport and physical activity, became a coach and began to popularize sport among children and young people](#)



THE GOAL OF THE PROJECT IS TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO BE RESPONSIBLE, TO PROVIDE THEM WITH AN EXAMPLE AND TO SHOW BY THEIR ACTIONS AND THOSE OF OTHER PEOPLE WHAT IT MEANS TO BE RESPONSIBLE.



- [A responsibility story about an American who has been facilitating international support and donations for Ukraine from the first days of the full-scale invasion](#)
- [A story about Ukrainian teenage girls who developed apps for Ukrainian refugees](#)
- [A story about an anesthesiologist who manages to save newborns in the intensive care unit and Ukrainian defenders on the frontline](#)
- [A story about a volunteer who organizes complex evacuations for people from frontline areas and helps them settle down in a new place](#)
- [Stories of citizens who rescued people from flooded areas of Kherson and Mykolaiv Regions after the Kakhovka HPP dam had been blown up](#)
- [Stories of Ukrainian children who are contributing to Ukraine's victory in every possible way](#)
- [A story of an eco-activist who cleans rivers and forests and organizes volunteer initiatives](#)

We [presented a list of 100 actions of responsible citizens](#). Heroes of responsible actions, our ambassadors and media partners of the project joined the presentation. The participants discussed responsibility in Ukrainian society, the changes occurring in the responsibility of Ukrainians after the outbreak of the full-scale war, shared their own experience of coming to a responsible way of life and summarized the results of the project. Then, together with the participants, we presented [a list of 100 actions of responsible citizens containing nine categories](#): Health, Family, Community, Country, Planet, Work, Safety, Society and Development.

We held **5 responsible conversations**, during which experts shared practical advice, skills and experience on topics relevant to Ukrainians, such as [Sexual Education for Children and Youth](#), [Restoration of Infrastructure Facilities](#), [Culture of Medical Examinations in Ukraine](#), [Financial Literacy for Children](#), [How to Change Profession during War](#).

In addition, together with our media partner "The Ukrainians" we produced [13 caption videos](#) with the aim of fostering unity and inspiring responsible actions among Ukrainian citizens.

PREPARED AND PUBLISHED INTERVIEWS AND LONGREADS ABOUT RESPONSIBLE ACTIONS:

- [An interview on responsible parenting with a representative of the New Ukrainian School, Anton Atamanchuk](#)
- [An interview on the topic of inclusion with a social activist who helps people with spinal cord injuries, Uliana Pcholkinia](#)
- [A story about urbanists who set up a roadblock \(checkpoint\) in Tbilisi](#)
- [A story about charity store "Laska"](#)
- [An interview about CF Starenki and its activities during the war](#)

COLLABORATED WITH UKRAINIAN MEDIA "#SHOTAM", CREATING AND PUBLISHING:

- [An interview with Anton Zimin, a native of Dnipro who helped remove debris after the rocket attack in Dnipro](#)
- [An interview with genealogist-researcher Ihor Rozkladai](#)
- [A story about preservation of cultural heritage with the initiative Heritage.UA](#)



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БУТИ ВІДПОВІДАЛЬНИМ – НОВИЙ ТРЕНД!

- [Animated video explainer on how to act in case of bullying](#)
- [A designer longread about 4 volunteer initiatives involved in the reconstruction of Ukraine](#)
- [Animated video explainer on how to help draft a complaint or appeal in case of a problem with receiving quality utility services](#)
- [Animated video about the project "100 Actions of Responsible Citizens"](#)

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PR-AGENCY M&P COMMUNICATIONS, WE HELD AN AWARENESS-RAISING CAMPAIGN AS PART OF WHICH THE BELOW MATERIALS WERE PUBLISHED:

- [How to improve the mental wellbeing of a child during the war](#)
- [Burnout during war: How to stay effective at work](#)
- [Fighting corruption: What measures Ukrainians can take now](#)
- [Contributing to the future: During the war, 38% of Ukrainians do responsible actions every day](#)
- [One in five Ukrainians considers Zelenskyi and the Armed Forces to be models of responsibility – survey results](#)

Initiated the release of 20 publications in public groups and blogs, as well as 6 extended materials (interview, column, expert opinion) in the media.

Together with Gradus Research Company, we conducted a [research](#) "Portrait of a Responsible Ukrainian" to study Ukrainians' perception of responsible actions.

On the [air](#) of Hromadske Radio, the project's ambassador from Lutsk Ivanna Romaniuk and the project's press partner Sofiia Sorokina discussed the project "100 Actions of Responsible Citizens", the results of the research on the topic of responsibility, conducted jointly with Gradus Research Company, and what exactly represents responsibility for Ukrainians.



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"FOR SAFE ROADS" CAMPAIGN

IN THE CONTEXT OF WAR, DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC CRISIS, REDUCING INJURIES AND DEATHS ON THE ROADS BECOMES EVEN MORE RELEVANT AND URGENT. THEREFORE, IN 2023, THE "FOR SAFE ROADS" CAMPAIGN CONTINUED TO WORK TOWARDS THIS COMMON GOAL. WE COLLABORATED WITH OTHER NGOS AND ADVOCATED FOR TACTICAL AND STRATEGIC CHANGES IN PUBLIC POLICY.

THE RETURN OF THE SPEEDING TICKET FOR SPEEDING BY MORE THAN 50 KM/H

Due to a "technical and legal error" in the lawmaking process when amending the Code of Administrative Offenses, the fine for speeding by more than 50 km/h (UAH 1.700) inadvertently ceased to legally exist as of January 1,

2022. As of June 2023, a year and a half later, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine has still not rectified the error. CEDEM decided to influence the situation. Together with five Campaign member organizations, we sent a series of advocacy letters, produced and delivered a special explanatory leaflet to MPs, and held meetings. As a result, in September, Parliament amended the law accordingly and returned the fine to the Code.



Рівень користування ременями безпеки серед водіїв у містах України

2023

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30260 водіїв



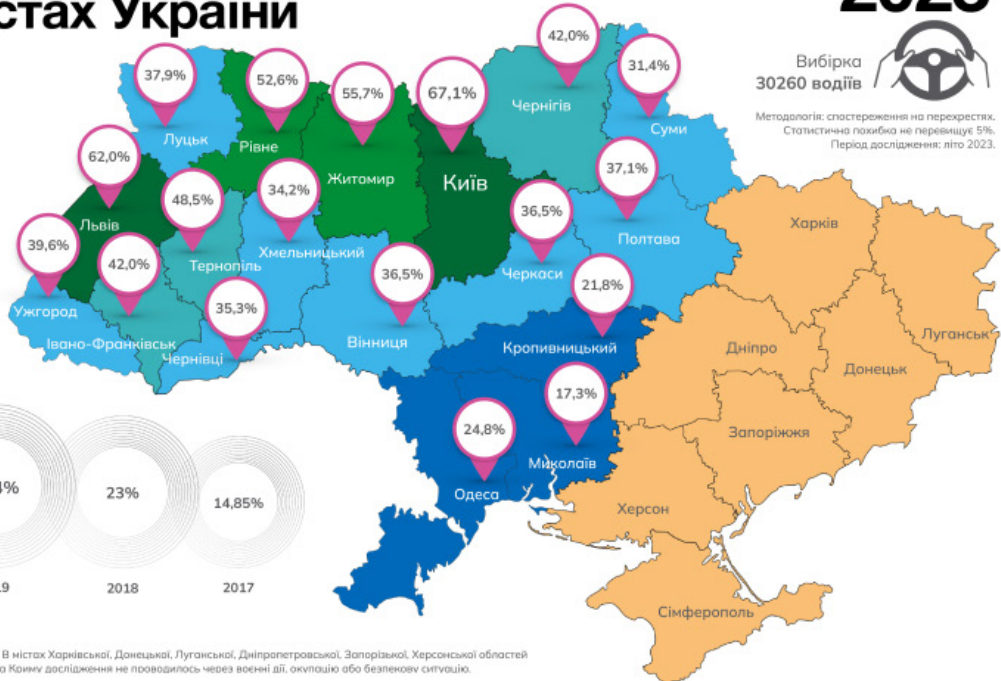
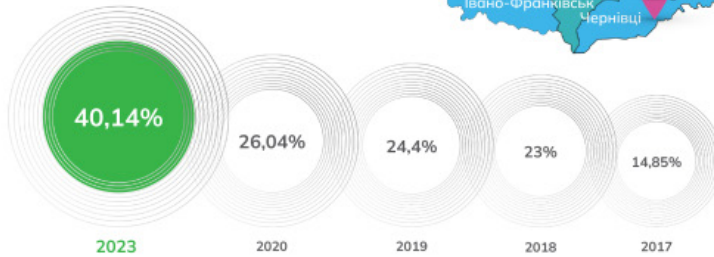
Методологія: спостереження на перехрестях.
Статистична похибка не перевищує 5%.
Період дослідження: літо 2023.

Рівень користування в конкретному регіоні, %:



Дослідження рівня користування ременями безпеки серед водіїв у містах України у 2023 році проводили Центр демократії та верховенства права (ЦЕДЕМ) спільно з громадською організацією "Віжн Zero" (Vision Zero) в рамках Кампанії «За безпечні дороги».

Середній показник користування ременями безпеки водіями у містах України, %:



* В містах Харківській, Донецької, Луганської, Дніпропетровської, Закарпатської, Херсонської областей та Криму дослідження не проводилось через воєнні дії, окупацію або безпекову ситуацію.

SEATBELTS: SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS, BUT A LONG WAY TO GO

After a two-year hiatus, in the summer of 2023, CEDEM and partner NGO Vision Zero conducted another study of actual seatbelt use. The study was conducted, as always, by observation method and covered 30.260 drivers in 18 cities of Ukraine, where the safety situation allowed. As a result, the average rate of seatbelt use in 2023 was 40.14%, which is 14.1 points higher compared to 2020, when an average of 26.04% of drivers were wearing seatbelts. Details and infographics on the [CEDEM website](#).



SOCIOLOGY: MAJORITY OF CITIZENS SUPPORT INCREASE IN SPEEDING FINES

In June 2023, CEDEM commissioned a national sociological survey. It turned out that the overwhelming majority of citizens believe that fines for exceeding the permitted speed limit should be increased in Ukraine.

Positive answers to the question "How much do you support the increase in fines for speeding on the roads if the excess is...":

- 10 km/h or more — 54% of respondents
- 20 km/h or more — 69% of respondents
- 30 km/h or more — 79% of respondents
- 40 km/h or more — 82% of respondents
- 50 km/h or more — 86% of respondents

As of 2023, in Ukraine, there was no fine at all for exceeding the speed limit by up to 20 km/h, for exceeding the speed limit from 21 to 50 km/h the fine was UAH 340, and for exceeding the speed limit by 50 km/h — UAH 1.700. We sent the results of the sociological survey, [published on the CEDEM website](#), to the MPs of Ukraine and disseminated them in the media.

ADVOCACY FOR SYSTEMIC AMENDMENT OF LEGISLATION

The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine went into a closed mode of work in Martial law. Despite this, we managed to maintain and develop contacts with parliamentarians and MP assistants in two committees key to road safety – the Law Enforcement Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

In 2023, we held 24 advocacy meetings and consultations with the representatives of Parliament and central executive authorities, prepared and sent 13 official letters with accompanying documents. In particular, we prepared and submitted a package of legislative documents to amend the system of speeding fines. Despite the support and activity of some MPs, the leadership of the committees did not believe that our suggestions were relevant under Martial law. We intend to continue advocacy and educational activities in 2024.

ANALYTICAL MATERIALS AND ARTICLES

- Analytical review "Reforming the System of Sanctions for Violation of Traffic Rules in Ukraine" on the [CEDEM website](#) and in the printed version



- Infographic "Penalty Points in European Countries" on the [CEDEM website](#)
- Article by Viktor Zahreba and Maksym Shulha "How the New Speed Control System Saves Lives of Drivers and Passengers on the EU Roads" on the [Hmarochos website](#)
- Article by Ivan Piatak "Why Ukrainian Legislation Does Not Value Human Lives on the Roads and What We Should Do about It" on [Ukrainska Pravda website](#)
- Ivan Piatak's article "Speeding. Why Does the Deadliest Traffic Violation Have Mild Punishment?" on [Ukrainska Pravda website](#)



SMOKE FREE KYIV

CEDEM'S SMOKE FREE KYIV PROJECT SUPPORTS HEALTHY LIFESTYLES AND HAS BEEN FIGHTING TOBACCO USE IN UKRAINE SINCE 2010.

In 2023, together with NGO Life, we continued advocating for the implementation of international standards for tobacco control policies. CEDEM lawyers actively participated in roundtables, expert discussions and press conferences on legislative regulation of the tobacco industry's impact on the government's health and tax policies. They continued to provide legal advice, analyze regulations, draft laws, government resolutions, etc. for public sector partners,



MPs, ministries and agencies, and research court practice to assess compliance with tobacco control legislation and Law No. 1978-IX in particular.

To explain the benefits of the new legislation and its positive impact on the health of Ukrainians, CEDEM in cooperation with the European Association Smoke Free Partnership held a [webinar](#) "How the Ban on Electronic Cigarette Advertising Will Change Ukraine and Bring It Closer to the EU".

In 2023, we completed years of work and [presented](#) a **Draft Law to ban tobacco industry interference in public health and tax policies**. This draft law was developed in close cooperation with the National Agency for the Prevention of Corruption, the World Health Organization, the Public Health Center of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the Kyiv City Center for Disease Control and Prevention of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, Anti-Corruption Headquarters NGO, Institute of Legislative Ideas NGO and Life NGO. The draft provides for a number of norms and measures to comprehensively address the long-standing problem of tobacco lobbyists' interference in the work of state and local self-government authorities.

We will separately mention our work in monitoring the tobacco industry advertising activity in Ukraine. In July 2023, the ban on IQOS, glo and electronic cigarettes advertising provided for by Law No. 1978 came into force.

The positive effect of the legislative changes resulted in a real significant decrease in hidden advertising of such items online. As of September 2023, e-cigarette advertising accounted for only 2.7% of tobacco news, compared to 25-30% in 2021.

CEDEM's collaboration with the **Ekonomichna Pravda** and **LIGA.net** succeeded in drawing the public attention to the need to strengthen tobacco control policy and limit the influence of the tobacco industry on civil servants and politicians even in wartime.

Our thematic publications were viewed by 2.3 million people in media.

KEY RESULTS

In 2023, a significant part of the norms of the Comprehensive Anti-Tobacco Law No. 1978-IX, which we managed to adopt through joint efforts back in 2021, came into force, namely:



A ban on the manufacture and sale of tobacco products that report any flavoring



A ban on advertising and promotion of liquids, e-cigarettes/devices online, at entertainment venues, and on vehicles



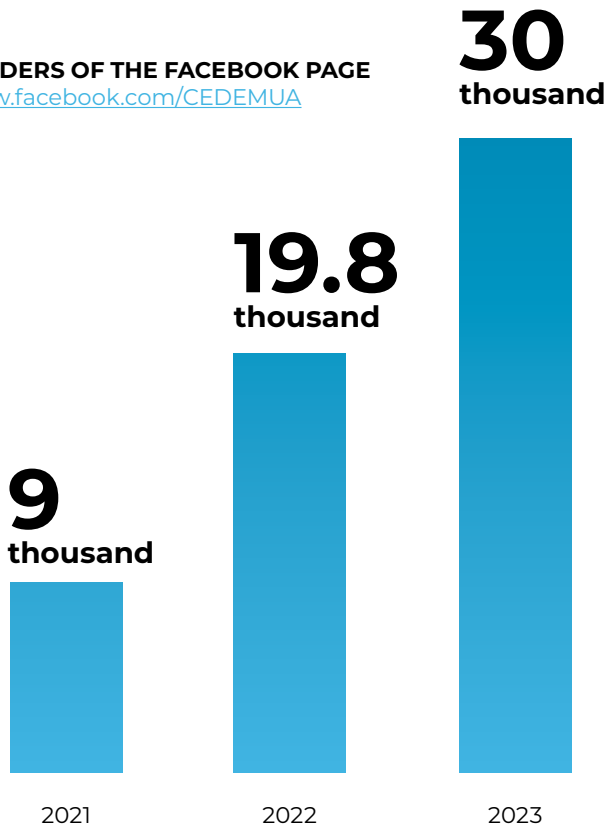
New increased financial penalties for violating anti-tobacco laws

COMMUNICATION

IN 2023, THE CEDEM TEAM
CONTINUED TO COVER IMPORTANT TOPICS
THAT NEEDED CLARIFICATION
FOR THE PUBLIC DURING THE WAR.



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KEY RESULTS

532 PUBLICATIONS
AND MENTIONS
IN THE MEDIA

244 EXPERT CITATIONS
IN THE MEDIA

502+ VIEWS ON
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thousand

2+ FACEBOOK PAGE
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FINANCIAL REPORT

THE STRUCTURE OF RECEIPTS IN 2023

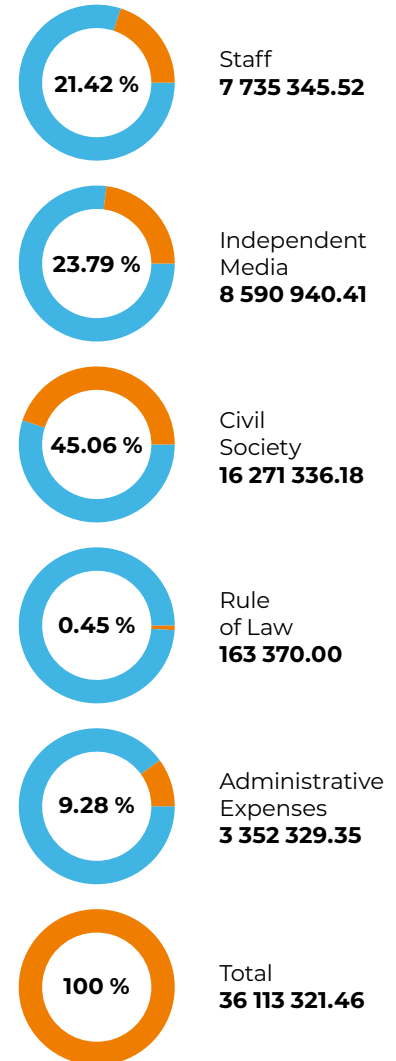
Donor	Received (UAH)	Percentage of receipts (%)
Initiative Center to Support Social Action "Ednannia" NGO, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	15 199 999.2	46.30 %
Internews Network Inc, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	7 822 233.2	23.83 %
International Media Support (IMS)	3 567 947.53	10.87 %
Tobacco-Free Kids Action Fund (TFKAF)	3 327 591.65	10.14 %
The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies serving as hosting agency of Global Road Safety Partnership	1 456 363.71	4.44 %
National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	843 369.19	2.57 %
GlobalGiving Foundation (USA)	548 529	1.67 %
Contributions to statutory activities	62 000	0.19 %

TOTAL

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