

## DRAFT AGENDA

### 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the EU-Ukraine Sub-Committee on Economic and Other Sector Cooperation – Cluster VI (*Employment, Social Policy, Equal Opportunities and Public Health*)

Kyiv, 10 June 2016

*Venue: Club of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, Instituska str. 7*

Time	No.	Agenda item	Lead
9.00-9.15	1	Welcome and introduction remarks	UA/EU
	2	Adoption of the agenda	
<b>Cooperation on Employment, Social Policy and Equal Opportunities</b>			
9.15-9.30	3	Socio-economic situation of the country (unemployment rates, wages arrears, informal economy, poverty)	UA
9.30-9.45	4	Main challenges and priorities of the EU employment and social policy	EU
9.45-10.00	5	Preparation for the AA implementation: overall setting, setting for the implementation of Chapter 21 and Annex XL (e.g. institutional organization, monitoring mechanisms)	UA
<b>Implementation of relevant provisions of the Association Agreement and Association Agenda priorities</b>			
10.00-10.25	6	Preparation for legal approximation with EU law in the area of health and safety at work, labour law and working conditions (Annex XL of the AA): state of play regarding legal work and implementation capacities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reform of the Labour Code</li><li>• Reform of the Labour Inspectorate (of the State Administration on Labour Issues): fight against informality, abuses of labour conditions and health and safety at work</li></ul>	UA
10.25-10.40		<b>Break</b>	
10.40-10.55	7	<u>Social Dialogue</u> : state of play regarding the work of the Tripartite Social and Economic Council (TSEC)	UA
10.55-11.30	8	<u>Employment Policy</u> : up-date on main employment challenges and on Government's main policy priorities, reform implementation, administrative capacities <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reform of the Employment Services</li><li>• Reform of the Vocational Education and Training System</li><li>• Vulnerable groups</li></ul>	UA
11.30-12.15	9	<u>Social Policy</u> : up-date on Ukraine main social challenges and on Government's main policy	UA

		<p>priorities, reform implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reform of the Pension System, including Pension Fund</li> <li>• Reform of the system of social assistance (the so-called system of social benefits) including the system of subsidies linked to i/ the increase of utilities tariffs and ii/ the Internally Displaced Persons (entitlements)</li> <li>• Socio-economic integration of Internally Displaced Persons</li> <li>• Poverty Reduction Strategy</li> </ul>	
<b>12.15-13.15</b>		<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>Public Health</b>			
<b>13.15-13.25</b>	<b>10</b>	Overview of recent EU developments in the area of public health	<b>EU</b>
<b>13.25-13.55</b>	<b>11</b>	<p>Presentation of the strategy for health system reform in Ukraine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General strategy and roadmap for implementation</li> <li>• Subsectorial strategies (pharmaceutical sector including regulatory framework and system of procurement of pharmaceutical products; health financing; public health; primary health care etc.)</li> </ul>	<b>UA</b>
<b>Implementation of the Association Agreement and of the EU public health acquis</b>			
<b>13.55-14.25</b>	<b>12</b>	<p>Public health reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation roadmap of the Public Health reform strategy</li> <li>• Establishment of the national Public Health Centre</li> </ul>	<b>UA</b>
<b>14.25-14.55</b>	<b>13</b>	Prevention and control of communicable diseases: EU assessment and follow up steps, lessons learnt from 2016 polio outbreak.	<b>UA</b>
<b>14.55-15.15</b>	<b>14</b>	Blood safety system: EU assessment and follow up steps	<b>UA</b>
<b>15.15-15.35</b>	<b>15</b>	<p>Non-communicable diseases</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Action Plan for NCDs</li> <li>• Tobacco control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Implementation of EU acquis and the Framework Convention on Tobacco control</li> <li>- Protocol on Illicit trade in tobacco products</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>UA</b>
<b>15.35</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Conclusions</b>	
		<b>End</b>	