



*Information center
"Green Dossier"*

International Charitable Organisation "Information Center "Green Dossier" (Annual report 2024)



1994



1995



2008



2012



2016



2024

30 years for sustainable development



Results of 2024:

5

main
priorities

30+ events organised and actively participated

100+ articles published at Green Dossier and
OrganicInfo.ua web sites

5

projects
implemented

30+ infographic materials prepared

5

permanent
team members

5 joint statements and
appeals, position papers

6+ members of platforms and coalitions

8 thematic publications
prepared

“**Green Dossier**” promotes the principles of sustainable development in society, integrating them into national policies and government programs by disseminating objective environmental and social information to the media, local communities, government and business, involving them to practical action.



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Our priorities:



Supporting the fight against russian invaders, strengthening the resilience of Ukrainians and overcoming the consequences of russian aggression



Eurointegration and Good Environmental Governance



Implementation of Sustainable Development



European Green Deal, green reconstruction and recovery of Ukraine



Implementation of two UN conventions: Aarhus Convention and the Carpathian Convention

Our mission is:

- to engage as many people as possible in addressing problems of environment and sustainable development
- to encourage public participation in decision making on these matters at different levels



Eurointegration and Good Environmental Governance

We continue our advocacy work for Ukraine's accession process to EU in the field of assessment and improvement of environment policy, integration it into all strategies and programs, including a lot of activities at both national and international level.

In particular:

- Active participation in Ukraine – EU Civil society platform: 2 joint meetings of CSP, Joint Declarations, speeches, working group coordination.
- Participation in EESC meetings (February online, October in Brussels)
- Active participation in EaP Civil Society Forum: working group meetings, speeches at the Ukrainian National Platform events, participation in the Summit of EaP Civil Society Forum (Vienna, November 2024 – reporting on behalf of Ukrainian WG3, speaking at the *Session on Evaluation*)
- Cooperation between WGs of two platforms: 5 joint statements and appeals, position papers
- Participation in creating a dialog platform between Parliament Committee of Environmental Policy and CSOs that serves as a good tool for widely discussion of the hot problems of environmental policy
- Coordination of the WG 3 initiative on assessing the Ukraine's progress of implementation of the recommendations of the European Commission Report on enlargement, creating a shadow report
- Participation and speaking at the meetings of Parliamentary committee on eurointegration
- Promoting the conclusions of the analytical documents and positions during various events, in particular international ones, at various venues, using all relevant projects and programs
- Eurointegration and Carpathian farmers (see description of the project); developing special Sustainable Agriculture section for Compass web portal (<https://compass27.info/>)

(Tamara Malkova - coordinator of WG 5 (Environment, climate, energy) of Ukraine – EU Civil society platform, EESC Enlargement Candidate Member, delegate of EaP Civil Society Forum, member of the Council on Trade and Sustainable Development (consultative and advisory body of the Cabinet of Ministries of Ukraine) and of Ukrainian Advisory group for the Council, of the Supervisory Board of the project "Support to activities UNP EaP SCF").



European Green Deal, green reconstruction and recovery of Ukraine

We keep focus on the European Green Deal, which becoming more important and obligatory because of the candidate status.

A green approach to the post-war recovery of Ukraine is a priority for our activities, as this approach declared and advocating by numerous NGOs is still not taken into account by Ukrainian officials. During the year this approach was strongly advocated at all levels, supported by expert researches, policy statements etc.

Green Dossier actively participates in a number of common activities and events:

- Coalition Build Ukraine Back Better
- Ukraine Recovery Conference in Berlin: participation in sessions and side-events; preparation of the CSOs position paper and distributing at the conference and at further meeting of Ukraine –EU CSP in Brussels

- Green Recovery Network
- Consultative meetings with DG NEAR
- Actions and meetings at Kakhovka platform.

Climate

Climate issues are in our focus. First of all, Kakhovka disaster caused by russian aggressors and its' consequences for the region. The war exacerbated and manifested climatic challenges, particularly in the agricultural sector. It caused more land degradation, exacerbated problems and exposed weaknesses in the agricultural sector. The war demonstrated high vulnerability of existing food production system of intensive production and long supply chains, large livestock complexes etc.

We follow climate related activities in the world and publish articles at our webs, participated in preCOP29 conference.



Implementation of Sustainable Development

Ecolabeling and green claims

We follow the issue of ecolabelling in EU and other countries in order to be ready for changes connected with eurointegration of Ukraine. Lessons from other countries, information collected by our colleges are very important for the accession process of Ukraine. We cooperate in this issue with IFOAM – Organics Europe and EEB.

Agriculture and Sustainable development

We develop and promote sustainable agricultural practices in Ukraine, organic is in priority. We work and implement our projects in close cooperation with Ukrainian agri-food organisations, governmental and parliamentary structures, as well as with international organisations like IFOAM – Organics International and IFOAM Organics Europe, FAO, UNEP, UN ECE, OECD, EEB, WWF, and international programs in Ukraine.

We joined IFOAM Organics Europe in May 2022 and Kateryna Shor was elected to the IFOAM OE Council on behalf of Ukraine.

OrganicInfo.ua

is a specialized information portal that aims to promote organic production, organic food and sustainability, established in 2015.

Organic agriculture — is one of the most promising activities promoting transformation to sustainable development and green economy. And it's very important for humanity: the agro-industrial sector provides with workplaces almost one-fifth of the world population, but in the same time it's one of the biggest polluters of environment and drinking water. Organic agriculture helps to restore soil fertility, save biodiversity, reduces a negative impact on water resources.

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Implementation of two UN conventions: Aarhus Convention and the Carpathian Convention

Aarhus Convention

We continue cooperation with European EcoForum and EEB network in the frame of Aarhus convention activities, taking part in negotiations, preparatory processes and Aarhus meetings.

Ukraine has faced very specific problems because of the war conditions and the martial law. Limitations to disseminate environmental information, closed registers or difficulties in using them, excluding some important cases from EIA (adopting special governmental orders for this), and ignoring necessity to provide SEA – that's a reality of our nowadays life. Such restrictions caused limited access to decision making process for public, which led already to very sad consequences.



Analysis of the Aarhus convention compliance were provided in the frame of a partner project of USAID program "RADA: The Next generation", developed policy papers were widely discussed together with representatives of the Parliament Committee of Environmental Policy, and then presented to mass media at a special briefing. In addition, statements were prepared and sent out to official state bodies on behalf of the two civil society platforms. The issue was presented for the *Task Force on Access to Information (Ninth meeting Geneva, 7-8 November, **Statement "Ukraine: a dialog between the Parliament Committee and CSOs helps to address access to information challenges"**)*



Statement "**Public participation in EU enlargement process and post war green recovery of Ukraine**" was presented at Working Group of the Parties (Geneva, July)



Carpathian Convention

Our organization is active in implementation on the Carpathian Convention during more than 20 years, implementing projects, mainly focused on sustainable development of the region. This year we provided a project "Green and inclusive agricultural policy – steps towards", which continue to study the environmental and climate components of the CAP, and demonstrate the benefits of Ukraine's accession to the EU for neighbouring countries, in the field of environmental and climate protection in agriculture, using the example of cooperation between the Carpathian countries.

We participate in ESD Expert Network, support FreeSvydovets campaign.

Carpathian school (Kosiv, Ivano-Frankivsk region) becomes more and more popular, engage more young people and scientists, and cooperates with international programs. Green Dossier presented this year our new project, pastoralism issue and role of the Carpathian countries in the Ukraine's accession to the EU.

Carpathian Day, September 26, officially celebrated for the first time this year, was held under the slogan **"Our Identity lies in Our Heritage."** The topic of traditional farming in the Carpathians and possibilities for its further development and support was a priority.

We reported about our activities to the Carpathian Convention Implementation Committee, and continue cooperation on further supporting of pastoralism and cultural heritage.



“Green and inclusive agricultural policy – steps towards” project is being implemented by ICO IC «Green Dossier» with the support of the [European Union](#) and the [International Renaissance Foundation](#) within the framework «European Renaissance of Ukraine» project.

February – November 2024

Project aimed to search positive arguments and benefits from Ukraine's accession to the EU for neighbouring countries in the field of environmental and climate protection in agriculture, using the example of cooperation between the Carpathian countries. We investigated also the environmental and climate components of the CAP that will affect our agricultural producers and the objectives that Ukraine needs to achieve.

More information at <https://www.dossier.org.ua/en/projects/green-and-inclusive-agropolicy/>



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"Women Entrepreneurship in the Organic Sector" (WEOS) being implemented by ICO «Information Center «Green Dossier» in partnership with Organic Initiative Public Association with a support of Switzerland.

Project has two components 1) Mentor and expert support for women in organic sector, and 2) The Organic Grant Program for domestic market development.

The Organic Grant Program funded by Switzerland in the frames of project WEOS and Swiss-Ukrainian Program "Higher Value Added Trade from the Organic and Dairy Sector in Ukraine" (QFTP) implemented by the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL, Switzerland) in partnership with SAFOSO AG (Switzerland).
September 2024 – December 2025.

Project is aimed to support Ukrainian organic producers and promote further development of the organic market, to increase trade of Ukrainian organic products with higher added value on the domestic market.

More information at <https://www.dossier.org.ua/en/projects/weos/>



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"Organic Trade 4 Development in Eastern Europe (OT4D)" program supported by State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and implemented by IFOAM - Organics International in joint collaboration with the consortium Helvetas / FiBL. IFOAM – Organics International, and its consortium works together with the country coordinators / national country offices. Local implementing partner in Ukraine – Information Center "Green Dossier".

September 2021 – July 2024

The Program aimed to increase and enhance jobs in the organic sector, particularly for youth and women, and to contribute to the multiple positive effects of organic farming in terms of economic growth, innovation and natural environment.

More information at <https://www.ifoam.bio/our-work/how/facilitating-organic/organic-trade-4-development>



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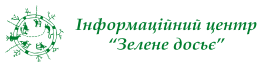


"Towards the EU in the environmental field: assessing the Ukraine's progress of implementation of the recommendations of the European Commission Report on enlargement" initiative is being implemented by WG3 of the Ukrainian National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (UNP EaP CSF) and lead by ICO IC «Green Dossier» within the framework of the project "Support to the activities of the UNP EaP CSF in 2024" implemented by the Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting with the financial support of the European Union.

July – December 2024

Project aimed to facilitate the best possible implementation of the European Commission's recommendations in the Enlargement Report on Ukraine on the environmental and climate component in order to speed up the start of the negotiation process on Title 27 "Environment and Climate."

More information at <https://www.dossier.org.ua/projects/euintegration-initiative/>



"Systemic Environmental Reforms on the Path to the EU: Interaction of Parliament and Civil Society" - partner project lead by National Ecological Center of Ukraine, carried out within the framework of the USAID Program "RADA: The Next Generation", which is a five-year initiative (2021-2026) implemented by the NGO "Internews-Ukraine".

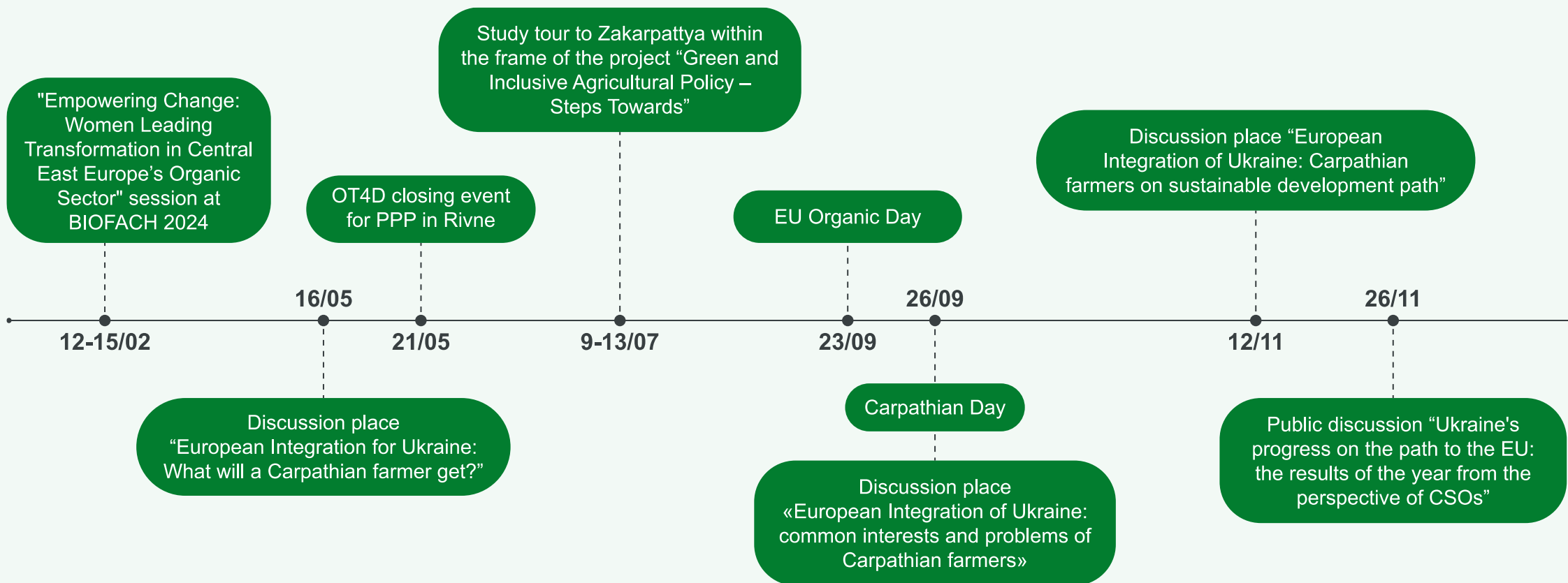
February – August 2024

Project aimed to initiate interaction between two pro-European civil society platforms and the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to discuss systemic problems and options for their solution, provide an analytical basis for further promotion of reforms and the necessary information for decision-making. In the long term, to promote close interaction between the parliament and civil society and the effective implementation of environmental reforms, which is a guarantee of Ukraine's successful fulfilment of the conditions for accession to the EU.

More information at <https://necu.org.ua/proyekty/parlament/>



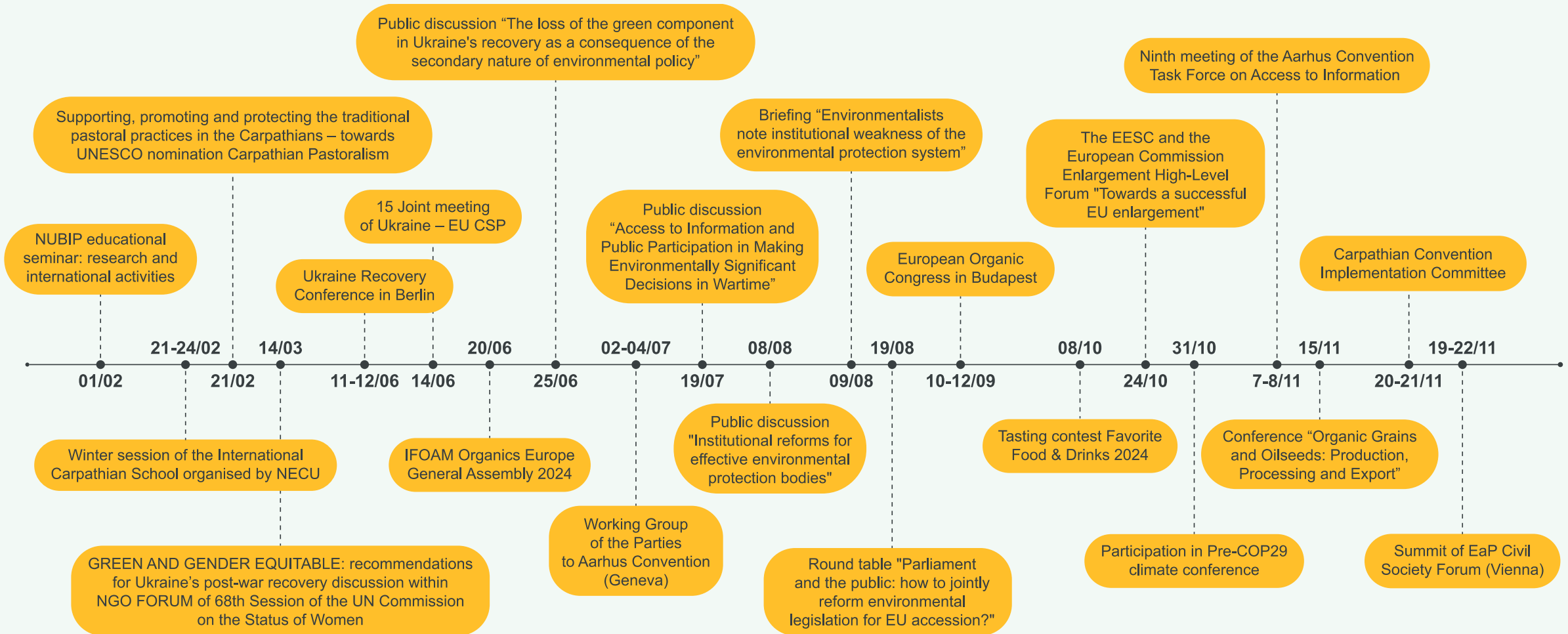
8 events were organised or co-organised by Green Dossier



Over 25 webinars of the Organic Discussion Club were held by the Green Agro Solutions NGO with constant information support of OrganicInfo.ua.



Representatives of Green Dossier actively participated in over 20 events at national and international level



We participated in the development of the Strategy for the Development of Agriculture and Rural Areas in Ukraine until 2030; meetings of the ministerial Organic working group; the European Commission's explanatory sessions (Chapter 11); meetings of Eurointegration committee at Verkhovna Rada; meetings at EU Delegation in Ukraine and many more.



8 thematic publications were written by Green Dossier

- Eurointegration of Ukraine and Carpathian Convention
- The EU Common Agricultural Policy — the key to climate neutrality and the green transition
- The EU Common Agricultural Policy — current situation
- The EU Common Agricultural Policy — legislative regulation and the connection with the EU environmental and climate policy
- Pastoralism: history and future walk together on the Wallachian path
- Pastoralism in Armenia
- Compass web portal added Sustainable Agriculture section
- Ukraine's progress on the path to the EU: the results of the year from the perspective of CSOs

We became a co-authors of

- The gender study of the organic sector in Ukraine that was conducted in December 2023 – January 2024
- Survey of Ukrainian consumers' opinions "Awareness and Perception of Organic Products in Ukraine" which was held in April-May 2024
- Position Paper for URC "Environmental reforms and improvement of environmental policy for the green reconstruction of Ukraine"
- The loss of the green component in Ukraine's recovery as a consequence of the secondary nature of environmental policy
- Transparency, public engagement, and government accountability are fundamental principles of environmental reforms for EU accession in times of war
- Institutional reform of Ukraine's environmental protection system is a prerequisite for EU membership

Also published

- **over 40 articles** included stories about Carpathian farmers and articles published at Green Dossier web site
- **over 60 articles** and analytical materials about organic agriculture published at OrganicInfo.ua web site
- **over 30 infographic** materials prepared and published at OrganicInfo.ua



We are members of



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EU-UA Civil Society Platform



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CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum



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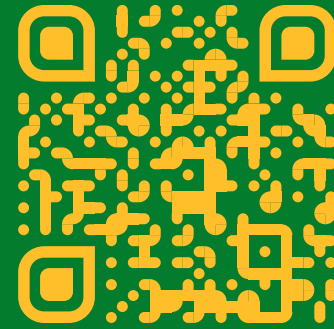
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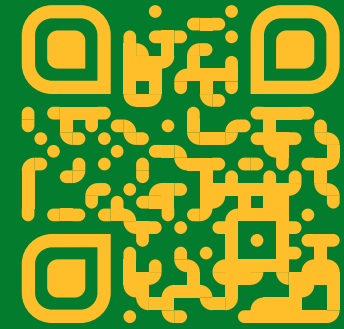
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