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**The Law Society of England and Wales, the
British Embassy Kyiv, the Ukrainian National Bar Association
and the British-Ukrainian Law Association**

request the pleasure of your company at their

English Law Day Forum in Kyiv

Thursday 22 March 2016, 10:30 - 19:30

(registration from 09:30)

Venue: Radisson Blu Hotel, Yaroslaviv Val St, 22, Kyiv, Ukraine, 01054

Ukraine's strategic location at the crossroads of European, Russian and Asian markets offers tremendous potential and opportunities in a broad range of sectors. Many UK companies are already doing business successfully in Ukraine. The UK is the sixth largest investor in Ukraine with over 150 well-established UK companies, and many more brands present.

As trade between the United Kingdom and Ukraine continues to grow so does the importance of understanding various recurring issues that arise in cross-border transactions and the most effective ways of addressing them (both at the stage a transaction takes place and if a dispute arises in connection with the transaction).

The forum will bring together Ukrainian and UK legal practitioners and business representatives to promote legal links and business between practitioners from both jurisdictions.

A team of leading English and Ukraine practitioners will discuss these topics.

- Private wealth – latest update
- The use of English law on joint ventures and as the governing law for shareholder agreements
- Dispute resolution – International arbitration
- Recovering assets through bankruptcy and liquidation

The conference is aimed at representatives from leading companies, law firms and organisations from both the UK, Ukraine and Central Asia. **The working language for this event is English.**

The conference will be followed by a networking reception

Registration for this event is free, **please RSVP with your name, job title and company details** to Iryna Kuguk, Iryna.Kuguk@fco.gov.uk. Please note that due to a high interest in the event attendance is limited to two representatives per firm.

Programme

09:30 - 10:30	Registration and refreshments
10:30 - 11:00	<p>Welcome remarks and introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sergei Ostrovsky, Member of the International Committee, the Law Society of England and Wales – Representative from the British Embassy in Kyiv – Valentyn Gvozdiy, Vice President, Ukrainian National Bar Association – Yuri Botiuk, Vice-Chairman, British-Ukrainian Law Association
11:00 - 12:00	<p>Session 1: Private Wealth – recent developments in the UK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Changes to investor visa/ immigration rules – Multi-family offices – The impact of GDPR on British companies and implications for Ukrainian businesses – Trust bursting - JSC Mezhdunarodniy Promyshlenniy Bank v Pugachev – Unexplained Wealth Orders Explained <p>Moderator: Oksana Voynarovska, Head of Labour and Employment and Private Clients practice groups, Vasil Kasil, Kyiv</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Izzy Walsh, Senior Associate, Dawson Cornwall, London – Dmitry Zapol, Partner, IFS Consultants, London, London – Alina Plyushch, Counsel, Sayenko Kharenko, Kyiv – Tatiana Menshenina, Partner, Withers, London
12:00 - 12:30	Tea and coffee break
12:30 - 13:30	<p>Session 2: The use of English law on joint ventures and as the governing law for shareholder agreements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A brief road map to joint ventures in Ukraine – Latest policy changes in Ukraine and implications for shareholders' agreements – Why use of English Law in joint ventures and as governing law for shareholder agreements?: Benefits, consequences and limitations – Recent developments in English law that may impact upon joint ventures <p>Moderator: Sebastian Lawson, Partner, Freshfields, Vienna</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Roman Filatov, Managing Partner, FJM Lawyers and Solicitors LLP, London – Anna Babych, Partner, Aequo, Kyiv – Sergei Ostrovsky, Partner, Ashurst, London – Olga Watson, Counsel, Dechert, London & Moscow
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch

14:30 - 15:30	<p>Session 3: Arbitrating or Litigating in English courts – jurisdictional traps for the unwary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Latest news from disputes in England and Wales with eyes on Ukrainian parties – Third party funding of arbitration disputes – English courts and overseas defendants: jurisdiction challenges <p>Moderator: Artem Doudko, Partner and Head of Russia & CIS Disputes, Osborne Clarke, London</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ben Wells, Solicitor, Shepherd and Wedderburn, London – Julia Zagonek, Partner, White and Case, Moscow – Louis Flannery QC, Partner, Stephenson Harwood, London – Yulia Atamanova, Partner, LCF, Kyiv
15:30 - 16:00	<p>Tea and coffee break</p>
16:00 - 17:00	<p>Session 4: Recovering assets through bankruptcy and liquidation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Claims to recover assets of company/bankrupt estate under English law – Focus on cross-border cases, involving Ukrainian parties in particular: jurisdiction of English courts, recognition of foreign insolvencies – Assets search, investigations and other efforts in support of cross-border bankruptcies, and – Recent developments of Ukrainian law on liquidation and bankruptcy, and possibility of recovering assets situated abroad <p>Moderator: Yury Botiuk, Partner, Candey, London</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – James Popperwell, Partner, MacFarlanes, London – Sergey Litovchenko, Associate, Pinsent Masons, London – Robert Dougans, Partner, Bryan Cave, London – Iryna Kalnytska, Head of tax practice, Attorney at Law, GOLAW, Kyiv
17:00 - 17:05	<p>Closing remarks</p>
17:05 - 19:30	<p>Networking reception</p>