Program Goals
To support Ukrainian citizens and the Government of Ukraine in reducing or eliminating corruption in key public administration functions and services, and build trust of Ukrainians in their government based on demonstrated transparency, accountability and improved services.

Since August 2016, Eurasia Foundation (EF) has implemented the Transparency and Accountability in Public Administration and Services (TAPAS) program in Ukraine. Funded by USAID and UK aid, TAPAS supports the Government of Ukraine to implement visible and successful reforms in public administration and services to greatly reduce or eliminate corruption. The five year anti-corruption program promotes eGovernance reforms across three components: eProcurement, open data and eServices.

EF leads a consortium of Ukrainian and British partners that provides technical assistance to enable the Ukrainian government to carry out eGovernance reforms and increase transparency. The consortium works closely with Ukraine’s Ministry of Economic Development and Trade, the State Agency for eGovernance, the Ministry of Health, local governments and civil society across Ukraine.

Key Results to Date
eProcurement

- Migrated data from the Prozorro eProcurement platform, resulting in the transfer of 35 million files (total volume of +45 terabytes) from Amazon Web Services to a Kyiv-based data center, where the platform has been operating since March 2018.
- Between October 1, 2017 – December 30, 2019, the DOZORRO civic oversight network, comprised of 25 NGOs and more than 1,000 individual volunteers across Ukraine monitoring public procurement, analyzed 25,824 high-risk tenders. Of these, 24,228 high-risk tenders were brought to the attention of public purchasers and oversight authorities through formal complaints; 3,523 were deemed “wins,” that is, the tenders (totaling more than $436 million) were cancelled or substantially amended by the public purchasers or illegal tender decisions were reversed.
- More than 380 procurement professionals have graduated from the Kyiv School of Economics’ public procurement certificate programs, which were created with TAPAS support and launched in March 2017.
- Assisted in preparing Ukraine’s new Law on Public Procurement (PPL), which was adopted by Ukraine’s parliament in September 2019. The new law introduces several key changes effective April 2020, including personal liability for officials – particularly heads of purchasing agencies – for violating the PPL and an improved appeals mechanism for businesses. The new law aims to harmonize Ukraine's public procurement standards with European and international standards.
Open Data

- Drafted two packages of amendments to Decree No. 835 on open data publishing requirements. The amended three decrees were adopted by the Cabinet of Ministers in December 2017 and April 2019, respectively. Together the amendments tripled the number of data sets required to be published by state authorities from 301 to 900, and better regulate open data publishing procedures, data formats and structures.

- Launched the government's revamped Open Data Portal (data.gov.ua), which provides access to open data for a variety of purposes, including accountability, public oversight, innovation, business projects and research.

- Launched the first-ever report on the economic value of open data for Ukraine. According to the research, in 2017, open data contributed between $173 million and $209 million to the Ukrainian economy through gains received by direct data users. These direct effects then create spillover into the wider economy, including the benefits of better services for consumers or time saved, which results in an additional $432-$523 million (between 0.67 and 0.81 percent of the country's overall GDP).

- Supported 10 municipalities to develop robust open data programs, two of which – Chernivtsi and Vinnytsia – now have their own open data portals.

- Implemented three cycles of the Open Data Challenge, the biggest IT competition in Ukraine for open data projects that provide solutions to problems affecting Ukrainian society. Launched 14 innovative services that draw upon open data sets.

Government and Program Partners

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