

E-Digest

Information Center of the Association of European Border Regions
in Kharkiv National University of Economics

May, 2013

On November 7-8, 2012 at the AEBR General Assembly in Berlin and on March 8, 2013 at the session of the AEBR Executive Committee in Santiago de Compostela the joint initiative of Kharkiv public organization “Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna” and Kharkiv National University of Economics on creating the AEBR Information Center on the basis of Kharkiv National University of Economics and European Regional Group on Cooperation with the AEBR was considered and supported.

This initiative was supported by the administration of Kharkiv Region and Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils.

In Kharkiv on April 4, 2013 by order of AEBR Secretary General Martin Guillermo Ramirez the meeting with Sir Alfred Evers, regarding the activity of Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna” and creating the AEBR Information Center in the Research and Library Building of Kharkiv National University of Economics was held.

One of the ideas of creating the AEBR Information Center in KhNU of Economics is to form information cooperation between Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna” and the AEBR.

The initiators of creating the AEBR Information Center in KhNU of Economics, taking into account the international development practice of information cooperation, originated the creation of the information project: “E-Digest “Information Center of the Association of European Border Regions in Kharkiv National University of Economics”.

E-Digest is aimed at:

- the development of European Regions cooperation and communication between Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna” and the Association of European Border Regions,
- informing about events, taking place in Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna” and the Association of European Border Regions.

The representatives of Kharkiv public organization “Euroregion “Slobozhanshchyna”, the members of the Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics, the Departments of Financial Services, Tourism and the International Department took part in the preparation of the first issue of E-Digest.

Information sources include sites of KhNU of Economics, Kharkiv Regional Council, Kharkiv Regional State Administration, Ukrainian Association of District and

Regional Councils, Association of Local Self-Government Authorities in Kharkiv Region, Association “Council of Municipal Formations in Belgorod Region”.

Kharkiv Regional Council, Kharkiv Regional State Administration, Association of Local Self-Government Authorities in Kharkiv Region

May 14, 2013. International Forum “Post-Soviet World of 2020 – risks, challenges, scenarios” has opened in Kharkiv.

May 15, 2013. The Panel on realization of energy component within the framework of EU project and UNO development program “Local Development, concentrated on Community-II” took place in Kharkiv.

Within the framework of EU project and UNO development program “Local Development, concentrated on Community-II” 26 micro-projects have been accomplished in Kharkiv Region.

May 18, 2013. Michèle Mercier met citizens of Kharkiv within the framework of the film festival “Kharkovskaia Siren”.

Within the framework of the film festival “Kharkovskaia Siren” the meeting with a famous actress Michèle Mercier, featured in more than 30 French, Italian and American films, including iconic series “Angélique” based on the novel of the same name by Anne and Serge Golon took place.

May 24, 2013. President of Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils, chairman of Kharkiv Regional Council, member of Ukrainian Delegation in the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe Sergey Chernov opened the information seminar “Best Practices of Local Self-Government Authorities: Competition of the Council of Europe - 2013 ” in the Small Hall of the Council House.

May 24, 2013. The III International Forum “Ukraine – EU: New Level of Cooperation” took place in Kharkiv. Within the framework of the Forum the teleconference with the Association of European Border Regions took place. Over the course of the teleconference Secretary General of the Association of European Border Regions Martin Guillermo Ramirez informed that the representative office of the Association of European Border Regions will be created in Kharkiv.

May 25, 2013. “European area” was created in Kharkiv Region.

While celebrating Europe Day in Kharkiv Region the opening ceremony of “European area” took place in the Central Park for Recreation and Leisure named after Gorkiy.

Association “Council of Municipal Formations in Belgorod Region”

May 17, 2013. The research and practice conference “Unanimous Society and Scientific Heritage of I.A. Ilyin”, dedicated to the 130th anniversary of Ilyin’s birth and the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Kursk, took place in Rakitiansky District.

May 24, 2013. Beauty and Health Feast in Gubkinsky District of Belgorod Region.

It became popular among the citizens of Gubkin to amuse their family leisure actively and to good effect to their health at sports grounds of the urban district. At the stadium of the sports centre “Gorniak” the V athletic running “My mother is the sportiest” took place. 217 mothers of Gubkin took part in the running and 450 citizens of Gubkin participated in the event in total.

Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils

14.05.13. President of Association Sergey Chernov is discussing challenges and opportunities of fiscal decentralization in countries of the Eastern Partnership in Brussels.

In Brussels (Belgium) the "Conference on Fiscal Decentralization in the Eastern Partnership - Challenges and Opportunities" is taking place. The representative of Ukraine to CORLEAP Bureau (Conference of the Regional and Local Authorities for the Eastern Partnership), President of Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils, Chairman of Kharkiv Regional Council Sergey Chernov is taking part in it.

28.05.13. The representatives of ten regions joined the on-line communication.

The representatives of Kirovograd, Poltava, Volyn, Chernihiv, Kyiv, Donetsk, Nikolaev, Lugansk, Rivne, Kharkiv regions and Crimea joined the video conference, which was held with the participation of President of the Association, Chairman of Kharkiv Regional Council Sergey Chernov. Nearly 80 people expressed the desire to participate in dialogue.

Events at the Kharkiv National University of Economics

From 7 to 10 May 2013. The delegation of KhNU of Economics was taking part in the General Assembly of the Francophone University Agency in the city of Sao Paulo, Brazil as the only university from Ukraine. For the first time in the history of this international organization the representative of our country, Rector V.S. Ponomarenko was elected to one of its governing bodies - the Associated Board with the mandate until 2017.

May 16, 2013. The Regional Scientific and Practical Conference for students "Finance by Students' Perspectives - 2013" took place at the Kharkiv National University of Economics.

The conference was attended by over 30 students who are winners of the All-Ukrainian competition of student research papers in the field of "Finance, Money and Credit" and "Banking".

May 23-24, 2013. At the initiative of the Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics, working groups composed of graduate students from "Public Administration" and "Public Financial Management" under the guidance of Professor Gavkalova N.L. participated in the first international competition of young scientists "Archetype Science and Public Administration", held within the framework of the III

Theoretical and Methodological Seminar in Kiev. At this event students took 1st and 3rd places.

May 24, 2013. Kharkiv Regional Institute of Public Administration of the National Academy of Public Administration, Office of the President of Ukraine hosted the III International Forum "Ukraine-EU: New Level of Cooperation." The purpose of the forum was to identify new areas of cooperation between Ukraine and the EU in the field of regional development and improvement of cultural interaction. As part of this event, topical issues related to the future development of euroregional cooperation in the Ukrainian-Russian border area, socio-humanitarian cooperation between Ukraine and the EU were discussed. The Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics of KhNU of Economics was represented by associate professors Gruzd M.V., Kabanets A.G. and Petryaev A.G.

Events abroad with the representatives of the Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics

May 6-18, 2013. Head of the Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics, Professor Gavkalova N.L. participated in "The 21st NISPAcee Annual Conference" "Regionalization and Inter-regional Cooperation", which was held in Belgrade, Serbia. The conference discussed issues related to the ongoing processes of regionalization in Europe, focused on the inter-regional cooperation in the countries of Eastern Europe, which include Ukraine. Gavkalova N.L. took part in the working group "Reforms in Public Administration," her report was devoted to public administration in Ukraine, its features, she highlighted the problems of regionalization and presented ways to resolve them. Over 200 representatives of institutions operating in the field of public administration took part in the conference.

May 31 - June 6, 2013. Head of the Department of Public Administration and Regional Economics, Professor Gavkalova N.L. participated in the «Joint Congress of IISA-IASIA», which was held in Manama, Bahrain. Special attention was paid to the key topics of the 29th conference held within the framework of the Congress: «Political Administrative Relations and Leadership», «Leadership, Governance and Public Policy», «Public Sector Reform». Effectiveness of the conference was facilitated by the working groups, which discussed issues, related to public administration, the review of its real state in almost 100 countries around the world was presented, prospects and priorities for the future of public administration were identified.

**Photo gallery of the celebration of Europe Day in the Central Park for Recreation
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