



Organizing Seminars on Knowledge and Experience Sharing (Assistance for Ukraine's Democratization)



Kick-off Workshop in Kiev



Attendees in Kick-off Workshop



Anti-Corruption Workshop in Kiev



Study Tour in Fukushima



Study Tour of National Diet Building in Tokyo

Project Overview:

After the Maidan Revolution in 2014, efforts to resolve the internal and external problems including the eastern region of the country were begun under the President Poroshenko. Strengthening the governance is one of the priority issues of the Government for improving the current situation. In order to support the efforts, the Japanese government announced to increase the technical assistance for the Ukraine's "Restoration of Democracy" particularly in the field of 'judicial system reform and corruption prevention.' In response above, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) carried out the survey in September 2014, to confirm the need for governance assistance, which has led to the plan to implement the 'Package of Assistance for Ukraine's Democratization' from 2015.

Under JICA, Gyros carried out the project which provided assistance to the Ukrainian Government for its self-help efforts to restore democracy. The project tried to provide Ukraine an alternative of democracy system, by presenting its structure and mechanism in administration, legislation, judicature and local governments; election system; common values shared among government officials; public broadcasting system and its regulations; and the role of media. For that reason, series of trainings/workshops in Japan and Ukraine were implemented targeting media, legislature and election-related bodies as well as the government administration related to corruption prevention. A survey was also conducted for collecting basic information on the issues of governance in Ukraine in order to understand the current situation and background. As a result of the assistance package, a report was published with initiative of the National Institute for Strategic Studies in Ukraine.

Formation: Main Contract

Type of Work: Study, Seminar Organization

Project Term: March 2015 - May 2016

Outline of Project:

[Objectives]

Governance Structure of Ukrainian Government is improved

[Outputs and Activities]

1. Collecting political, economic and social information
2. Collecting information on Japanese experiences and the other countries in the relevant area of targeted sectors
3. Organising workshops in Ukraine(Kick-off/Review and Anti-Corruption)
4. Assisting in the implementation of Study Tours in Japan
5. Interviewing Trainees of Study tours in Japan after returning from Japan in order to analyse the impact of the trainings
6. Organising a media debriefing on the assistance package to media at Japan Press Centre
7. Assisting for publishing JICA-NISS Final report as review of the assistance package
8. Assisting launching ceremony for JICA-NISS Report(in Ukraine)

Project Outcome:

Government reforms to restore democracy in Ukraine are promoted with the Japanese experiences of democratisation through workshops and seminars for media(public broadcasting services), the legislature and election related agencies (members of parliament, secretariat of parliament electoral commission), government agencies which are responsible to anti-corruption.