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ABBREUIATIONS

CO — charitable organization

CF — charity foundation

IDP — internally displaced person

 ${\sf CSO-civil\ society\ organization}$

 ${\rm PU-public\ unity}$

EI — European integration

NPO — non-profit organization

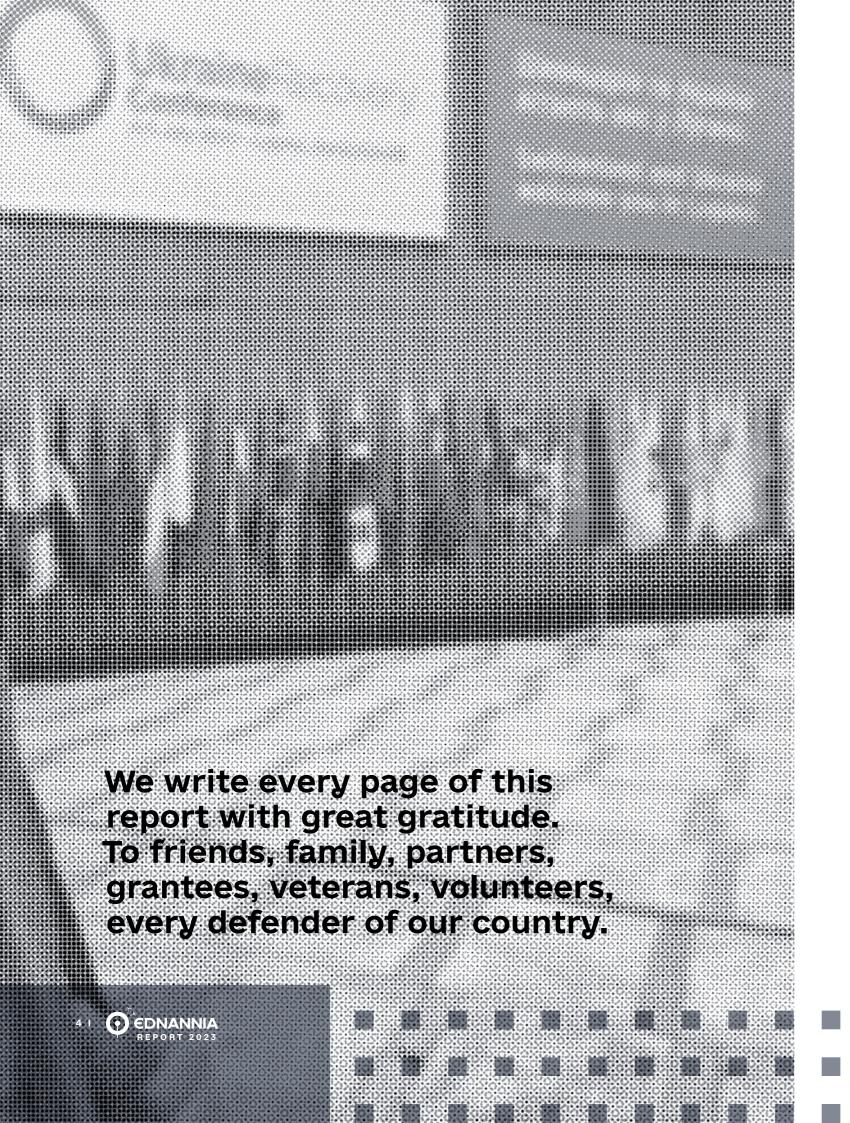
 ${\bf NGO-non-governmental\ organization}$

 ${\bf Org development-organizational}$

development

UNCI — Strengthening Ukrainian national

and civic identity



We thank everyone who has worked with us for 25+ years. You have not only made our organization what it is, but also helped us to achieve significant results in strengthening the civil society in Ukraine.

We thank the United States Agency for International Development, the EU Delegation to Ukraine, the C.S. Mott Foundation, the US Embassy in Ukraine, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation as project of German Marshall Fund of the USA, International Center for Non-profit Law Organizations (ICNL), PARTNERSHIP FUND FOR A RESILIENT UKRAINE (Chemonics International) and many individuals for their financial support. We believe that we have

justified your trust and strengthened the culture of partnership between our organizations.

This year has been extremely challenging for the whole country, and without your support we would not have been able to achieve such significant results. Your support is extremely important to us, and we are grateful for your tireless faith in our mission and activities.

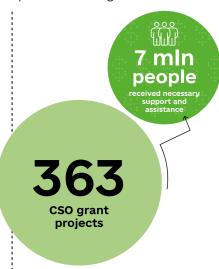
For 32 years, our team has been consistently developing and strengthening the capacities of civil society organizations. For 25 years, we have been officially operating as a Ukrainian CSO that nurtures and unites leaders of the nation. We are proud to continue our work, knowing that together with you we are building a strong and influential civil society in Ukraine.



Despite the active hostilities caused by full-scale invasion, loss of territory, and loss of life, we didn't stop for a moment in 2023:

We developed and strengthened civil society to enhance its influence.

We supported 363 CSO grant projects aimed at helping people during the war and strengthening the CSOs themselves so they can effectively operate in emergencies.



We actively built a platform for cross-sectoral dialogue and cooperation.

We participated in the development of the Strategy for Affirming Ukrainian National and Civic Identity until 2030, initiated by the Ministry of Youth and Sports of Ukraine. Together with the Ministry of Social Policy, we involved CSOs in providing social services in communities. We trained CSOs on how to offer services such as building resilience and social adaptation for veterans and their families.



In partnership with the Ministry of Veterans Affairs, we held the VI International Veteran Forum "Ukraine. Defenders. Future," and together with the Ministry of Youth and Sports of Ukraine, we initiated and held the Ukrainian Youth Forum. Alongside the Kyiv City State Administration, we organized the Open Public Spaces Summit "Power of Partnership," which brought together public representatives from various regions of Ukraine and donor organizations.



We actively supported youth, as they are the foundation for building and strengthening democracy in Ukraine.

We significantly strengthened the sustainability of youth infrastructure in the communities of Lviv, Volyn, and Zakarpattia regions, laying the foundation for the creation of 10 youth centers. We enhanced the capacity of 10 youth councils that will work in these centers. We also trained 600 educators and social workers in the basics of youth work, supported social entrepreneurship, and innovative youth ideas.



7000

participants

Our focus in 2023 was also on European integration and Ukraine's recovery.

We trained journalists from all over Ukraine on how to inform communities about European integration and recovery efforts. We united a community of 50 local and regional civil society organizations working in the field of recovery and engaged the non-profit sector within the Ukraine Recovery Conference (London — URC 2023).



4,58 mln **USD** support 4 mln USD humanitarian

We issued 182 grants for organizational development to civic and charitable organizations. This increased their ability to adapt, become stronger and more effective, and quickly respond to external and internal changes.

We continued to promote a culture of philanthropy in communities.

Throughout 2023, we supported 15 Community Foundations of Ukraine, including the National Network for the Development of Local Philanthropy, to make them more resilient. As a result, they raised over USD 4,58 million to support communities and provided humanitarian aid worth nearly USD 4 million.



The Civil Society Home, which we opened in 2023, combined both virtual and physical spaces to support the development of civil society, featuring:

- 1. A Marketplace for organizational development, where nearly 1,000 registered providers offer over 300 different organizational development services.
- 2. The Knowledge Clearing House (Analytical Library) contains over 200 unique sociological studies and reports on various topics related to civil
- 3. NGO.Studio, from which we broadcasted over 100 webinars, training lectures, and interviews with representatives of CSOs, central executive authorities, and organizational development service providers.
- 4. The event space, where we held over 250 training sessions, conferences, community practice meetings, and discussions between public activists and government representatives.

Our 12th traditional Civil Society Development Forum "May the Force Be With US" in 2023 was attended by about **7,000 participants** (both online and offline). Together, we sought strength and inspiration to keep fighting, not give up, not despair, unite, and preserve humanity and faith.





ABOUT US

ISAR Ednannia is a Ukrainian CSO that knows how to develop and strengthen civil society in Ukraine.

Our mission is

to nurture and unite leaders of the nation. Those who unite people into communities and lead them. Those who chose to become a leader and took responsibility.

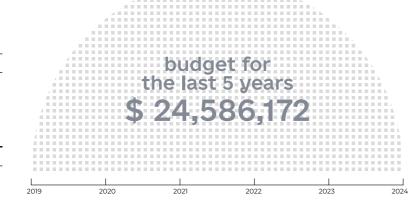
Our vision is

the influential civil society.

Our strategic objectives:

Developing and strengthening civil society to make it influential Promoting the culture of philanthropy in communities Creating a platform for crosssectoral dialogue and cooperation Developing and consolidating democracy in Ukraine

ISAR Ednannia has the largest practice of administering small and large grants in Ukraine. Every year we provide financial support to more than **500 organizations** from all areas (territories controlled by Ukraine).





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TIMELINE 2023

Grant Competition Launches Research Presentations Training/Courses/Workshops Programs with UNICEF Forums/Summits/Discussions Space Openings Launch of the "Basic Support for CSOs" grant competition

> Launch of a grant competition for infrastructure organizations "Create Civil Society HOME"

Opening of eventspace — Civil Society Home in Kyiv

Presentation of sociological research "Civil society in

the context of war" 2022



Summit of open public spaces "The Power of Partnership" in partneship with the Kyiv City State Administration

Discussion "Changing demographic situation in the country" at the **Civil Society Home**



Launch of the

Victory and

Recovery for

Sustainable

First training for

local media on

recovery and

European

integration

Civil Society

"Outlines of the

Launch of a grant

competition for

CSO research

initiatives

Forum

Future"

Development"

First wave of

recovery

specialists

Ukrainian

Recovery

Conference (URC)

in London, ISAR

training for future

grant competition

"Civil Society for

Ednannia thematic photo exhibition Presentation of the "Study of recovery initiatives in Launch of a grant competition for individual researchers

Launching of a oint programme with UNICEF

Ukrainian Youth Forum, co-organized by ISAR Ednannia

AUGUST

Veterans' Forum

by ISAR Ednannia

"Ukraine. Defenders.

Future", co-organized



First training for the CSO Recovery

Community

Second wave of

training for local

and European

integration

Presentatio

of the research of

"CSOs working in

the veteran sphere"

media on recovery

Launch of the grant competition for veterans "Varto: Ednannia" in partnership with the Ministry of Veterans

The first training for

together with the Ministry of Veterans

veteran CSOs

The Marketplace platform has become a Civil Society Home ecosystem

Fundraiser's meetup

"Summit for those

who raise billions"

International

advocacy workshop

with RISE Ukraine

OCTOBER

Analytical Library of the Civil Society Home

Launch of the

Forum of youth

co-organized

centers and spaces,

by ISAR Ednannia

Presentation of the research "Towards European Integration"

Launch of the educational course "How to build an effective CSO" on the Diia.Osvita platform

Civil Society

with us"

<u>NOVEMBER</u>

Development Forum "May the force be

Presentation of the

grant competition

"Strengthening civic

participation in early

the liberated territories"

recovery processes in

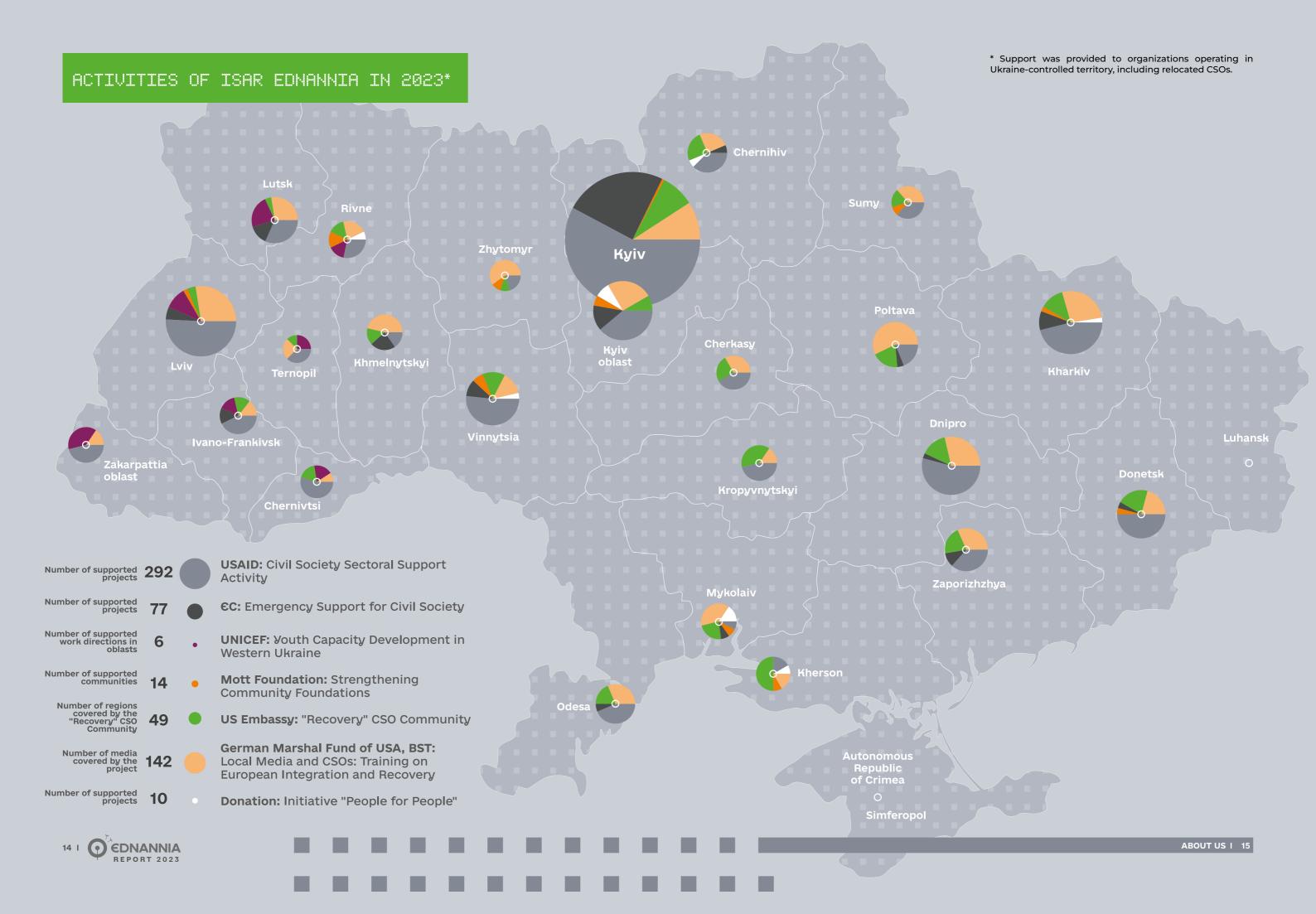
Volunteer Resilience

with the Ukrainian

Volunteer Service

Forum in cooperation

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Developing and strengthening civil society to make it influential





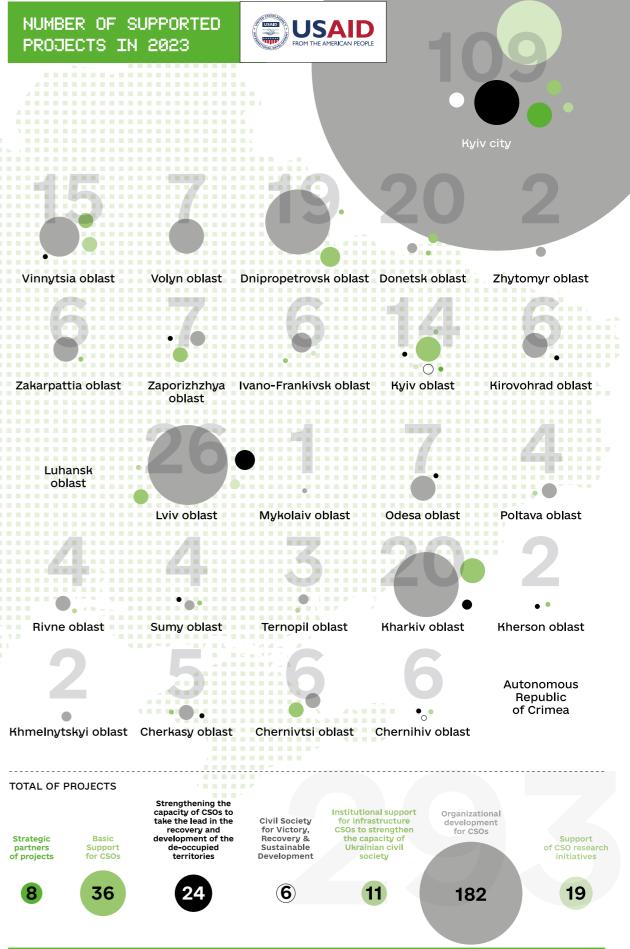
Ukraine Civil Society Sectoral Support Activity (USAID UKRAINE)

With the support of our long-standing partner USAID, from 2019 to 2024, ISAR Ednannia in a consortium with the Ukrainian Center for Independent Political Research (UCIPR) and the Center for Democracy and Rule of Law (CEDEM) is implementing a large-scale project Civil Society Sectoral Support Activity. Our goal in this project is to improve the operating environment for civil society and strengthen the institutional capacity of civic and charitable organizations to increase the self-reliance of the civil society sector in Ukraine.

Self-reliance is the ability of an organization to take responsibility for its own existence, development, performance and interaction.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Strengthen the institutional capacity of civil society organizations;
- Improve legal enabling environment for civil society
- Enhance research and learning of civil society sectoral challenges, opportunities, and best practices





Cooperation between civil society, government, and business

Our consortium partner, CEDEM, held the III Annual Story Contest "Civil Society, Business and Government - Best Practices of Cooperation.



Read the Best **Practices of Cooperation**

Introducing a Tax Designation Mechanism in Ukraine

The Tax Designation Mechanism is a tool for citizens who pay personal income tax to assign a small share of this tax to civil society organizations. CEDEM, with consortium support, is advocating for

the implementation of this mechanism in Ukraine: they developed a draft law and are working with the relevant parliamentary committee to justify the mechanism's relevance under martial law.



Countering money laundering and combating financing of terrorism

Together with VENRO (Germany), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, and the Federal Ministry of Interior (Germany), CEDEM organized a study tour for representatives of CSOs and government agencies engaged in countering money laundering and combating terrorism financing. As a result of this visit, CEDEM developed and conciliated with the State Financial Monitoring Service of Ukraine on a Meth-

odology for the Independent Assessment of the Nonprofit Sector's Risks in Countering Money Laundering and Combating the Terrorism Financing, and began evaluating the sector according to this methodology. The report prepared by CEDEM from this assessment will be included in the official report of the next round of the National Risk Assessment in 2025.

III Legal Reform Forum for CSOs "Becoming stronger during the War"

In 2023, CEDEM held the III Legal Reform Forum for CSOs "Becoming Stron**ger During the War."** The forum brought together over 1700 participants from all over Ukraine — leaders of NGOs and charitable organizations, government officials responsible for promoting civil society development, business representatives, and international organizations. During the event, participants discussed progress and challenges in implementing the provisions of Legal Reforms Map for Civil Society the National Strategy for Promoting Civil Society Development.

in Ukraine, threats to the civil society sector, the National Strategy for Promoting Civil Society Development, and the National Strategy for Creating a Barrier-Free Environment in Ukraine. Participants also updated the Map, identified advocacy priorities for the upcoming year, and formulated proposals for the two-year Action Plan for





National Strategy for Promoting Civil Society Development in Ukraine 2021–2026: Action Plan

On February 14, 2023, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine approved the Action Plan for 2024 for implementing the National Strategy for Promoting Civil Society Development in Ukraine 2021–2026. It includes 43 clear tasks for ministries and regional administrations for 2023–2024.

The Action Plan was developed with the active participation and support of the consortium. The plan includes most of the provisions of the Legal Reforms Map for Civil Society, developed in 2020 by consortium experts from ISAR Ednannia, UCIPR, and CEDEM, along with representatives of other civic organizations. Throughout 2023, UCIPR and consortium experts actively participated and advocated for the implementation of this Action Plan.



Legal Assistance Hotline by our consortium partners - UCIPR

In 2023, UCIPR experts provided 304 con**sultations** on various issues, including NGO registering, making changes to legal entity information, removing members from the

CSO list, dissolving NGOs, taxation, reporting, humanitarian aid, declaration, volunteer activities, obtaining non-profit status, and interaction with local authorities.

Legal help hotline UCIPR: +38 063 23 47 440 | cso_assistance@ucipr.org.ua

Import, Accounting, and Distribution of Humanitarian Aid

On November 8, 2023, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine took a step forward by adopting Draft Law No. 9111 "On Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts on Simplifying the Procedure for Importing, Accounting, and Distributing Humanitarian Aid." This document brought lots of changes for CSOs. Now, providers of medical and rehabilitation services can receive humanitarian aid, and vehicles transferred directly to military personnel are also considered humanitarian aid. Previously, the importation process of humanitarian aid was complex and slow, creating significant obstacles. However, on September 5, 2023, the government adopted Resolution No. 953, which changed the rules. From December 2023, the declaration, accounting, and reporting of humanitarian aid began to be carried out through an automated registration system, simplifying the process. These changes were developed by UCIPR experts as part of a joint project.







8 Strategic partners of the project

ISAR Ednannia engaged **8 civil society** and charitable organizations — strategic partners of the project — which received separate grants to strengthen the civic

sector in the areas of media, European integration, research, culture, volunteering, fundraising and business engagement.

GRANT COMPETITIONS



Basic support for CSOs

Our goal was to support and take care of organizations that work in the humanitarian field and help people in times of war. In 2023, we supported the activities of **35 nongovernmental organizations**, which in turn managed to provide **606,000 Ukrainians** with humanitarian aid, as well as over **780,000 consultations** and services, evac-

uate more than **2,000 people** and over **200** animals, and return almost **3,000 people** who went missing during the war. By supporting the organizations' administrative and operational activities, we have strengthened their institutional capacity, improved efficiency and increased the volume of assistance provided.



Basic support is different from project support.

Basic support is provided to assist an organization in the ongoing work it carries out in line with its mission and activities. The applicant organization must independently determine the areas that require funding and prepare an application and budget based on its priorities.

"Whoever saves one life saves the whole world." The NGO Vyvezemo managed to evacuate more than 2,000 Ukrainians and 200 animals from the sieged city of Mariupol. At the end of February 2022, the city was at the epicenter of a brutal and bloody war. Concerned volunteers joined forces to evacuate people from the blockaded city. In June 2023, the NGO realized that it needed support and strengthening. Due to the basic support provided by ISAR Ednannia, the team was able to significantly expand its activities and, in addition to evacuations, was able to provide humanitarian assistance to almost 10,000 IDPs in Cherkasy oblast and residents of frontline communities in Zaporizhzhia oblast. "The cruelty of the enemy cannot be forgotten! This is my trauma for life. I was counting the days until I left, but I was very scared. "Vyvezemo" planned and implemented my evacuation. Thank you! I will remember my rescue until the end of my days," says 25-year-old Ksenia from Mariupol.



Strengthening the capacity of CSOs to take leadership in the recovery and development of the liberated territories

Through this grant competition, we were able to support **24 organizations** in the liberated areas of Dnipropetrovs'k, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kyiv, Mykolaiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Kherson and Chernihiv oblasts. The projects are aimed at increasing the capacity of local organizations to work on the recovery and development of areas

after the occupation, promoting cooperation between the government, business and local organizations, restoring services to residents, ensuring security in the liberated territories, improving education systems, providing reliable information and supporting local businesses. More than **1,000,000 people** received support.





Over 1000 books in grain sacks were rescued. The library in Sumy oblast has survived the occupation and is open again. The walls and doors remain, the ceiling is on the floor, and books are scattered. Local librarian Valentyna Hantseva and her husband put the books in grain sacks and took them home in an old "Zaporozhets" car. At the end of March 2022, the Armed Forces of Ukraine liberated the Trostianets community, and the library was restored quite quickly — in September of the same year, it started working. Thanks to an information campaign supported by ISAR Ednannia on the dissemination of successful cases of overcoming problems in the de-occupied territories, from the NGO "Kryholam" more than 100 thousand people from all over Ukraine learned this story. They offered to give their books a new lease on life and donated them to the restored library for free.

6 Civil Society for Victory, Recovery & Sustainable Development

Out of the **308 applications** submitted for the first two waves of the competition in August-October 2023, the expert committee selected **15 projects**, and we supported the **first 6** in 2023. The organizations work with a variety of priorities, from "Victory" to "Support of Central Authorities", focusing on the recovery and development of Ukraine through a variety of programmes and projects. In particular, the supported projects are aimed at developing programmes to recover **8 communities** in Chernihiv and Zaporizhzhia oblasts and improve social

services for veterans and their families, development of the blood donor community in Ukraine, development of a programme to restore the animation industry in Ukraine, and improvement of the favourable economic environment for entrepreneurs, counteracting disinformation and Russian propaganda, online Ukrainian language courses, supporting the Crimean Platform, strengthening Crimean Tatar civic identity and conducting international advocacy campaigns supporting Ukraine.

GRANT COMPETITIONS



11 Institutional support for infrastructure CSOs to strengthen the capacity of Ukrainian civil society

Infrastructure organizations in this context mean public or charitable organizations that provide capacity building services to other non-profit organizations. The implementation of the 11 projects we supported contributed to an increase in the number of proactive civil society organizations in communities, social cohesion and the inclusion of citizens in public life. More than 200 relocated civil society and charitable organizations and initiative groups, including veteran and volunteer communities, received access to organisational development services: training, mentoring and consulting support, as well as opportunities for active networking and interaction.







At the end of 2023, the Rivne office of the Civil Network OPORA, with the support of ISAR Ednannia, made a significant step towards strengthening the civil sector in Rivne oblast. Three waves of the School of Organisational Development and Good Governance were launched for 9 communities in the region, where more than 50 representatives of NGOs and charities took part in three-day trainings in Sarny and Rivne.

"Strong teams start with people and their values. The goal of the training was to show how to prevent such people from burning out, find resources for their activities, increase their efficiency through digital solutions, and tell the universe about themselves in a way that would help them find new supporters, donors, and partners. That is why project and organisational management for NGOs and volunteers should not be just a textbook, schemes, application forms and reports, but a living organism based on human experience that will prevent the pain of failure," said Artem Konovalov, one of the school's trainers. The project helped to form a network of capable and effective civil society organizations in Rivne oblast that are able to respond effectively to challenges and support the development of their communities.



Grant Competition for organizational development for non-profit organizations

ISAR Ednannia constantly strengthens the organisational development of the public sector by providing monthly grant support. In total, 182 civic and charitable organizations were supported in 2023 for a total of USD 404,312.66. More than 25% are newly created CSOs registered after the full-scale invasion. One-third of them were selected by the commission based on the extent to which the organization is committed to addressing the most important needs of Ukrainian society, particularly in the humanitarian field.

Organizational development is a constant need for the civic sector. Organizational development is a set of activities that help an organization become more efficient and sustainable. This is a long-term effort to improve the organization's ability to renew itself, solve emerging problems, and respond quickly to external and internal changes.

THE MOST POPULAR TYPES OF ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

For external evaluation

> The number of organizations that received grants for organizational development

Complex grant

allows you to receive a range of organisational development services (from 2 or more organisational development services at the same time)

Study visit

Participation in training

For providers

increase the capacity of infrastructure organizations to provide services to other non-profit organizations



Simple grant

services: general development of the PO

procedures and

allows you to get 1-2

strategy, fundraising

strategies and plans,

organisational development

development of policies and

communication strategies,

Apply for organizational development grants

For a group of organizations

allows to obtain the required organisational development service/s in cooperation with other organizations

GRANT COMPETITIONS



In 2023, Ukraine was among the top three countries in terms of the amount of child sexual abuse content on the Internet. This disturbing discovery was a challenge that required an immediate response.

The "Magnolia" NGO decided to take on this challenge. Thanks to the organisational development grant, "Magnolia" representatives made a study visit to Poland and Belgium. There, they studied best practices in combating child pornography, working with organizations such as NASK and Child Focus, members of the international InHope network. In times of war, children are particularly vulnerable, often falling victim to atrocious crimes, including murder, torture, sexual violence, abduction and deportation. Ensuring their safety, in particular in the online space, is critical. This is also one of the main requirements for Ukraine's accession to the European Union. The study visit helped "Magnolia" not only to adopt best practices, but also to improve Ukraine's regulation in this area, bringing it closer to European standards.



19 A Grant Competition to support CSO research initiatives

In the spring of 2023, ISAR Ednannia started supporting research initiatives of civil society organizations (CSOs) to increase the level of evidence and argumentation in recovery planning, European integration and CSOs' work during the war through

support for policy research. This year, we supported 25 organizations and analytical centers at the national and regional levels. The results of the research projects are expected in February 2024.

Individual research competition.

In the summer of 2023, ISAR Ednannia supported 16 researchers studying the activities of civil society in Ukraine during the war. This was a pilot project that offered a rare practice in Ukraine of providing grants to individual researchers, not just analytical centers or NGOs. Among the applicants who received support are representatives of both NGOs and the academic community. They will work on their research until February-March 2024.



You can find these studies in the Analytical **Library of the Civil Society Home:**

home.ednannia.ua







EU Emergency Support for Civil Society

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, in frames of the European Union funded projet, ISAR Ednannia has supported 154 organizations from 22 oblasts of Ukraine for a total amount of USD 2.2 mln. That allowed NGOs and charitable foundations not only to respond quickly to the challenges of the war, but also to increase

their capacity and effectiveness in the face of war. As a result, more than 3.5 million Ukrainians have received assistance since the beginning of the full-scale invasion (2022-2023). First and foremost, it is about meeting their basic needs, including security. In 2023, ISAR Ednannia administered 77 projects in 4 grant competitions.

NUMBER OF SUPPORTED PROJECTS IN 2023













Mykolaiv oblast



Odesa oblast

Ivano-Frankivsk oblast

Kyiv oblast











26

TOTAL OF PROJECTS

Poltava oblast



18





GRANT COMPETITIONS



Rapid support for CSOs' emergency response capacities

97 organizations from 21 oblasts of Ukraine received grants totalling USD 970,350.40. These funds were used to help 150,000 people affected by the war and to adapt the work of organizations to new conditions and needs. Thanks to quick support, CSOs were able to work as humanitarian hubs for IDPs and vulnerable groups in Kharkiv, Kherson, and Melito-

pol. They helped with the evacuation, organized meals for vulnerable groups, and set up and maintained the shelters. They also provided psychological, legal and informational support to IDPs and vulnerable groups, as well as counselling and assistance to the families of soldiers and missing persons.





When you are 68 years old and military events are raging outside, not everyone can easily say goodbye to their home and set off.

Natalia moved to Perechyn from Druzhkivka, Donetsk Oblast, and she had been making this decision for a month. "At first, it was my memory that kept me going. The house I lived in was built by my beloved husband. He built it for three years, brick by brick." She recalls how, after the move, for a week and a half she constantly felt like a siren was sounding and felt exhausted from the fear she had to endure in her hometown. "My daughter told me that if you want to cry, then cry, but don't stay at home, attend meetings and workshops." And she started attending thematic master classes and workshops from the "Center for Public Initiatives" Charity Foundation as part of the project "Perechyn Territorial Community Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons". "I am incredibly happy that such events are held in Perechyn. I made new friends, learnt about local traditions and cuisine," Natalia shares her memories.

Institutional support for CSOs

Institutional support for CSOs is a unique competition under conditions of a full-scale war, which helped CSOs to continue their activities in extremely difficult conditions and scale up their services. Institutional support was provided to 15 organizations, which in turn will support 1,700,000 people in Ukraine. The amount of grant support was USD 485,175.20. Due to institutional sup-

port, CSOs were able to scale up their advocacy work and develop algorithms for obtaining compensation for damaged and destroyed housing. They were involved in international fundraising to help children, shelters, reception centers and hospitals, and administered and strengthened the capacity of humanitarian hubs to attract and effectively distribute humanitarian aid.



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Supporting CSOs' capacity to document war crimes

Within the framework of this grant competition, **24 organizations** were supported in the amount of **USD 296,495.95**. During the implementation of the projects from February 2022 to February 2023, more than **1,400 war crimes** were documented. Thanks to the support received, CSOs documented war crimes, developed a meth-

odology for recording the negative impact of military operations on the environment, and conducted environmental monitoring of the soil and nature reserves of the Azov Sea region. They trained civilians to properly record crimes in accordance with international criminal law, and collected evidence for personal sanctions.





In 2023, when Ukraine faced the challenge of identifying more than **16,000 children** abducted by Russia from the occupied territories, experts from the non-governmental organisation "Almenda Center for Civic Education" undertook a mission to understand the scale of the problem. Having thoroughly analysed the situation in the occupied territories of Zaporizhzhia and Kherson regions, they revealed a deliberate policy of destroying Ukrainian identity among children, reminiscent of the "Crimean scenario". But Almenda did not stop there. Thanks to the support of ISAR Ednannia, they launched the project "Re-education camps" aimed at identifying and documenting these crimes. The result of their work was a monitoring report that reflected the facts of militarisation and destruction of children's Ukrainian identity. This report not only caused a wide response, but also drew international attention to these problems, becoming an important step in the struggle for the release and protection of Ukrainian children.



Supporting CSOs to strengthen their capacity to combat propaganda and disinformation

18 CSO projects reached one million people in Ukraine and abroad (Poland, Germany, Czech Republic). The projects of various formats: videos, articles, exhi-

bitions — all of them revealed the true facts and news of both the current war and historical events that were distorted by Russian propaganda.

EVENTS WITHIN THE PROJECT



Fundraiser meet-up "Summit for those who raise billions"

With the support of the European Union in Ukraine, ISAR Ednannia gathered 120 fundraisers to highlight their achievements, record the phenomenon of Ukrainian fundraising and discuss common challenges and ways to address them. The summit brought together the best practices of fundraising for Ukraine's victory and recovery.



WE HAVE CALCULATED

USD 368 947 071,83 — this is how much our incredible members have been able to raise together since the start of the full-scale invasion.

Educational course "How to build an effective civil society organization"

ISAR EDNANNIA TEAM PREPARED AN EDUCATIONAL **COURSE FOR THE DIA.OSVITA**









ISAR Ednannia team as part of the USAID/ Ukraine "Civil Soceity Sectoral Support Activity" project has developed an educational course "How to Build an Effective CSO" for the Diia. Osvita platform of the Ministry of Digital Transformation of Ukraine. The course covers such aspects as official registration of an organization, strategic planning, building operational processes, working with donors and establishing effective communications. The educational series contains not only theoretical knowledge,

but also specific advice from invited experts who share their experience with the course host, Nataliia Klymova. Leaders of the non-governmental sector will tell how to turn a volunteer initiative into a strong and self-sustaining organization.





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EVENTS WITHIN THE PROJECT



Training for recovery officers

The ISAR Ednannia team has launched a new specialization called "Recovery Officer." We have gathered unique practical experience on how to rebuild our cities and infrastructure from ruins, as well as processes of democratic governance and community life. Throughout 2023, we managed to build a community of 200 experts who have mastered a com-

prehensive approach to recovery. A Recovery Officer is a person within the community who coordinates interactions between various stakeholders and donors, assesses community needs, develops projects, and seeks funding. Moving forward, our plan includes developing a professional standard and corresponding competency profile for this role.





Workshop to strengthen the capacity of the civic sector to advocate at the international level

ISAR Ednannia in partnership with the coalition of Ukrainian and international CSOs RISE Ukraine held a workshop to strengthen the international advocacy capacity of Ukrainian NGOs and charitable foundations. More than fifty active CSO representatives joined the training to comment more effectively on important issues and avoid false information in international discussions. For the participants of the event, we jointly developed a message box (designed messages for different target groups) that will help to convincingly conduct a dialogue on various platforms, convey the key requests and needs of Ukrainians, and most importantly, respond to Russian propaganda abroad.







EVENTS WITHIN THE PROJECT



Leadership Reboot Camps

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, we have held **3 camps** for civil society leaders with the support of USAID Ukraine and the European Union.

More than **100 leaders** of public and charitable organizations discussed the challenges faced by their teams and looked for common solutions.



This is a unique opportunity for CSO leaders from all over Ukraine to meet, share experiences, discuss challenges and find solutions. And also, to properly reboot and find resources to better manage yourself and your team,"

– said Natalia Popova, NGO "Ukrainian Association for Health Protection "Marlog-Kadutsei".









Promoting a culture of philanthropy in communities





Strengthening community foundations

In 2023, ISAR Ednannia together with the C.S. Mott Foundation continued to support Ukrainian community foundations. During the year, **15 Community Foundations** received institutional support, including funds for administrative expenses and staff salaries. The first tranches have already been transferred to **14 Funds**, including the National Network for the Development of Local Philanthropy.

TERMS

A Community Foundation is a non-profit charitable structure that can be established in any village, territorial community or large city to address the challenges and goals of the local community. In 2009, ISAR Ednannia was the first in Ukraine to start educating local CSOs about peculiarities of work of community foundations. Today, more than 20 Community Foundations operate in the country. They bring together leaders and cooperate with local authorities to improve the lives of community residents.

The Baryshivska community in the Kyiv oblast

The Baryshivska community in the Kyiv oblast was partially occupied for almost a month, with fierce fighting taking place on its territory. These terrible events left a significant mark on the psycho-emotional state of the residents, especially the children of the community. The Berezan Community Foundation, with the support of ISAR Ednannia, equipped a bomb shelter and helped to rebuild the Baryshivka "Mriya" After-School Center. From Ukrainian costumes to children's merchandise, from office equipment to hiking gear, the center received everything it needed to work with children through the joint efforts of the foundation, volunteers and local authorities. The Foundation also set up psycho-emotional relief zones in the Baryshivka and Berezan communities - resource centers for community residents to counteract the traumatic effects of the war and increase their stress resistance in the new environment. Such places will help to develop their creativity, improve their academic performance and find new friends.







The Podilska community of Vinnytsia oblast

How to establish friendly relations between local governments and civil society? Community Foundation of Vinnytsya "Podilska Hromada" shares its recipe for success. Horseback riding, pottery workshops — spending quality time together breaks the ice and builds new cross-sectoral connections. As part of the "From Needs to Action" project, "Podilska Hromada" is holding a series of communication and integration meetings in the "authrotites-community" format in Vinnytsia Oblast. A pleasant bonus for the participants was the resource reinforcement and renewal of strength for new initiatives and joint projects.





ISAR EDMANNIA INITIATIVE



"People to people"

Since the beginning of full-scale invasion ISAR Ednannia raised additional funds to support the Community Foundations for the total amount of over USD 500,000. In 2023 the amount of USD 136,664 was distributed to Ukrainian Community Foundations. This is the "People to People: the world saves Ukrainian communities" Project, which is implemented due to donations from individuals and private foundations from all over the world.

In order to implement their projects at full capacity Ukrainian Community Foundations raised locally another **USD 25,185**, thus fulfilling matching criteria set out for them.

All the funds of PEOPLE to PEOPLE Project, raised from ordinary citizens of other countries were used to support local communities and people in need because of the war through grants to Ukrainian NGOs and charities.







The platform for cross-sectoral dialogue and cooperation











The unique product created by ISAR Ednannia back in 2009 — the Internet portal "Marketplace" platform — has expanded this year and, with the support of USAID Ukraine, has been scaled up into a full-fledged ecosystem "Civil Society Home".

Civil Society Home is an ecosystem that includes tools to support the civil society sector in the form of grants for organizational development, search for service providers, training for NGOs and charities, an archive of all research and analytical materials on Ukrainian civil society, as well as content for inspiration and experience sharing. This is a unique mechanism that allows for ongoing capacity building in line with the needs of each individual organization.





Marketplace for organizational development

Over the 15 ears of the "Marketplace" activity, civil society has reached a much higher level of development. Civil society organizations have become a driving force in addressing important social and political issues. This impact of the Marketplace on the development of civil society in Ukraine is reflected in the "Sustainability Index", which assesses the state of civil society de-

velopment in Ukraine. The platform has its own database of providers with proven quality of services, verified through due dilligence, webinars, and participation in events. A unique self-assessment tool for organisational development in 9 important areas allows non-profit organizations to build their own development track and track changes.

TOP 3 MOST POPULAR SERVICES ON THE MARKETPLACE









development of fundraising and communication strategies



Home for events in Kyiv

In March 2023, ISAR Ednannia opened the Civil Society Home event place to strengthen intersectoral dialogue. It is a place for networking, joining forces, sharing experiences between civil society organizations and for all those who want to strengthen civil society. The Home strives to develop partnerships, new initiatives and interac-

tion of civil society activists with each other, with the authorities, with volunteers and international partners. In 2023, more than **250 different events** were organized here: trainings, training conferences, meetings of the community of practice, interviews, webinars, discussions between civil society activists and government officials, etc.







Book an event Home

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Civil Society Development Forum "May the Force Be With Us"

The most expected event of the year in the civic sector, bringing together civil society activists, volunteer philanthropists, representatives of business companies and donor organizations, government officials and representatives of local self-government bodies.





NGO.Studio

It is a media platform for discussing topics relevant to civil society, exchanging ideas, experience and knowledge. It features lectures, seminars, webinars by organizational development service providers, and interviews with CSO leaders. The work of the studio helps us to demonstrate the achievements of various teams of organizations and civil society activists, their progress despite obstacles, examples of their growth and resilience in the face of a full-scale invasion.





Analytical library



The Analytical Library (Knowledge Clearing House) is a unique and unified online database of research and materials on civil society in Ukraine.

The database is open and contains up-to-date data that is evidence-based and can be used in the narrative part of projects. In 2023, more than 80 datasets were uploaded to the library, which are available for study and processing.



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Our research

ISAR Ednannia has conducted 5 studies of CSO activities in Ukraine.



Ukrainian Civil Society under the war in 2022

According to the study, the number of registered charitable organizations in Ukraine **increased almost 8 times** in 2022. At the same time, the number of registrations of new NGOs has almost halved.



A study of post-war recovery initiatives

The main objective of the study is to map post-war recovery initiatives for the period 2022–March 2023. Despite the ongoing hostilities in Ukraine, the country's recovery process has already begun. Recovery projects and initiatives are being implemented in at least **27 areas**, with civil society organizations working alongside other actors in the vast majority of them.



Research "Challenges and needs of the volunteer sector"

The research helped to assess the needs and challenges faced by volunteers in their activities. The surveyed volunteers note that fatigue and burnout are widespread among their colleagues due to excessive workload and stressful situations that arise during volunteering. Some of the respondents see a way out in rest, for which they do not always have the resources, while others, on the contrary, fight fatigue and stress by increasing the amount of work.



Civil society organizations working in the veteran sphere

The main goal is to explore the field of organizations, initiatives and projects that are being implemented in the field of work with veterans, their families, families of fallen soldiers and missing soldiers. The most common services provided by these organizations are psychological support/adaptation (79%), awareness-raising activities (73%), and legal support (64%). More than half of respondents (55%) also organize events for children from veterans' families.



Towards European Integration: a study of CSOs projects and stakeholder needs in Ukraine

The interviewed representatives of Ukrainian CSOs named the rule of law reform as the most important and complex European integration reform. Among other complex reforms, the experts mentioned the implementation of EU acquis acts within the "Environment and Climate Change" and "Public Administration Reform" sections.

Civil society development forum "May the force be with us"

The title of the XII Forum was the theme of Lesya Ukrainka's parable of the same name and invited us to think together about what gives us strength. The strength to fight, not to despair and lose heart, not to give up. To continue to be resourceful, entrepreneurial, and united is the strength of being Ukrainian. For the English translation of the XII Forum's title, we were inspired by the famous phrase from the Star Wars saga, "May the force be with us." The co-creators of the event are the participants themselves, who fill it with content and meaning.

Civil Society Development Forum is the largest national platform for training, communication and exchange of experience to strengthen charitable and civic organizations in Ukraine, which has been hosted by ISAR Ednannia team for 12 years in a row. The Forum is always a meeting place for active and caring people; it is an atmosphere where new ideas are born and trends for the next year are formed.



"Civil society remains a vital force for recovery and key reforms on the road to European integration,"

— Bridget A. Brink, Ambassador of the United States to Ukraine.

























The highlight of the Forum in 2023 was historical figures "brought to life" by artificial intelligence. The forum started with a panel discussion "How to finally learn the lessons of our history", which included **6 speakers** whose names we kept secret

until the event: Taras Shevchenko, Ivan Mazepa, Symon Petliura, Vyacheslav Chornovil, Mykola Gogol and Lesia Ukrainka. Reface company joined the development of virtual images.



Civil society trends

Each Civil Society Development Forum aims to identify the main trends in the civic sector.

We became even stronger in 2023. Civil society has hardened and accepts the war and all the challenges as a matter of course. What gives us the strength to move forward and fight? The year 2023 showed — our unity, faith in the country, people and development, which we are not stopping.

Bringing victory closer through action

Whatever we do, we ask ourselves first and foremost whether it brings our victory closer. Every step, project, donation and/or initiative should be aimed at one common goal for all Ukrainians — to be a nation that has defeated those who want to destroy it.



Sometimes you just want to vent your emotions, to criticise the ideas of others — on Facebook or in a forum, at home or on the street. But isn't that what the enemy wants us to do? — "Divide and conquer"? Let's unite instead. Network with business, media, and educators. Expand project horizons and move out of bubbles.

Support the Ukrainian state

The civic sector is a reliable partner for the public one. We proved it both in times of crisis and in times of war. We not only observe, but also help strengthen state institutions. Because if we don't support the Ukrainian state, then what state should we support?

Enter the international arena

If you need a special sign that it's time to learn a language, this is it. Learn languages, go and advocate for weapons and funds for aid. Build international coalitions to support Ukraine. Promote our unique experience in fundraising, mobilization, and public activities in general.

Take care of human capital

People are our greatest asset. We are losing it because of the long war. How do you bring people back, attract and grow new professionals? It is time to think about this so that Ukraine would not become a "small nation".

Take care of yourself and your teams

Mental health and the ability to balance work and life will help us not only survive, but also win. To begin with, we need to accept that the old-world order no longer exists and will never be restored. So, we need to stop grieving, regain our strength and create something new in caring for our neighbours.

Becoming a professional

The era of reactive volunteering should be replaced by the era of powerful, sustainable institutions. Successful because they are professional. They can raise funds in bitcoins and use artificial intelligence to write grant applications with equal success. Let's reach the professional level, take care of organizational development and unite in coalitions to multiply our common strength!





VI International Veterans Forum "Ukraine. Defenders. Future"

In 2023, together with the Ministry of Veterans Affairs of Ukraine and international partners, ISAR Ednannia co-organized the Forum, where it presented the results of the study "Civil society organizations working in the veteran sphere". The event was attended by over **500 participants**, includ-

ing Ukrainian veterans, representatives of the Defence Forces, state authorities and local self-government bodies, members of partner governments, diplomats, representatives of non-governmental organizations, including veterans' organizations, business and international partners.



Project management training for veteran organizations

In autumn 2023, ISAR Ednannia conducted **3 waves** of two-day trainings in Kyiv, Vinnytsia and Khmelnytskyi for **50 veteran** and pro-veteran organizations. We managed to strengthen the capacities and organizational development of civil society

initiatives that provide various services to veterans and their families. Participants conducted research on the problem to develop the projects and mastered the methodology of working with the problem, techniques and models.







Grant competition for veterans' organizations "Varto: Ednannia"

The Ukrainian Veterans' Fund of the Ministry of Veterans and ISAR Ednannia have joined forces to support CSOs working for veterans. Cooperation involves co-financing projects of public associations with legal entity status. Civil society institutions working to support veterans and their

families will receive up to **USD 67,385.44** in financial support as part of a new competition called "Varto: Ednannia". Co-financing of civil society organizations' initiatives significantly strengthens their capacities and allows them to scale up projects.



Principle of co-financing:

The Ukrainian Veterans' Fund of the Ministry of Veterans selects projects and provides funding on a competitive basis. ISAR Ednannia — provides additional funding for the administrative costs of the CSO, which are provided for the period of implementation of the selected project.

The uniqueness of the cooperation

lies in the fact that budget funds are targeted to support veterans and their families, while the civic sector will provide these services and strengthen its organizational capacity.

As a result,

CSOs and unions are strengthening their teams, improving their technical equipment, and enhancing their organisational development.

What veterans and their families receive as part of the competition:

- mentoring and advising veteran entrepreneurs from start-up to development;
- social support for veterans, their families and family members of the killed in action;
- social support for children of veterans and children of the killed in action;
- support for the reintegration of veterans and their families into active social life.

PARTHERSHIP WITH AUTHORITIES





Future search

On 20-22 November 2023, ISAR Ednannia held an event in Kyiv in the format of "Future Search" for veteran and pro-veteran organizations and initiatives, which brought together more than 90 representatives from 9 stakeholder groups: veterans and veteran organizations, pro-veteran organizations, regional veteran spaces, organizations working with families of missing persons, prisoners of war and the killed in action, donors, authorities, territorial communities, socially responsible businesses, security and defence forces. The event was held in the "Future Search" format, which ensured effective communication and

helped to reach consensus among a large number of participants. They identified priority areas of work and cooperation, as well as the first steps to achieve the desired results: national-patriotic education, inclusive infrastructure, legislative changes, a positive image of veterans, veteran centers and spaces, reform of the Ministry of Veterans Affairs of Ukraine and digitalisation of services. Based on the results of the meeting, we prepared a report containing critical findings, trends and recommendations for the further development of the veteran community in Ukraine.





read the REPORT

THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL POLICY OF UKRAINE





CSO as social service provider

ISAR Ednannia and the Ministry of Social Policy worked together to strengthen CSOs as social service providers. ISAR Ednannia has conducted numerous training events and awareness-raising campaigns on the new role of CSOs. They organized a series of webinars for more than 1,500 participants, including CSOs and relevant government agencies, developed infographics and presentation materials, and conducted two certification trainings for 65 representatives of civil society organizations.





Dialogue between the Ministry and the CSOs

In 2023, the Civil Society Home of ISAR Ednannia became a joint platform for dialogue between the civic sector and the Ministry to clarify technical and legal issues related to the launch of the electronic system for the import and accounting of humanitarian aid. As a result, the team of the Ministry of Social Policy postponed the launch of the innovations and

set up a working group involving civil society activists. ISAR Esnannia team has also developed a series of videos "Advice from Volunteer to Volunteer" with explanations and examples of how and why to use the platform "Automated Humanitarian Aid Registration System", which was launched on December 1, 2023.





THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS OF UKRAINE





Trainings and webinars

In 2023, in partnership with the Ministry of Youth and Sports of Ukraine, ISAR Ednannia team conducted 2 waves of training "Your Start in the Civic Sector" for 50 newly created CSOs. Representatives of the ministry held a series of webinars at ISAR Ednannia video recording studio (NGO Studio) on the terms of the call for projects for CSOs in the field of youth policy, strengthening Ukrainian national and civic identity (UNCI) implementing the youth exchange programme and awarding the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Prize for Youth.



playlist with webinars









Ukrainian Youth Foundation Strategy Development

During the year, our team contributed to the development of the Ukrainian Youth Foundation's Strategy for 2023–2027. In particular, ISAR Ednannia engaged experts and held discussions to develop and incorporate youth trends into the strategy. We also contributed to the development of

the Strategy for Strengthening Ukrainian National and Civic Identity (UNCI), held a series of hybrid discussions with representatives of CSOs, local government authorities, government institutions and international partners.





Ukrainian Youth Forum

ISAR Ednannia team strengthened the capacity of youth civil society organizations by becoming one of the co-organizers of the **Ukrainian Youth Forum** on 12 August 2023.



For **3 days**, we presented grant opportunities for youth CSOs, and also spoke about the first major youth support programme, "Youth Potential Development in the Western Regions of Ukraine".









KYIV CITY STATE ADMINISTRATION





Summit of open public spaces "The power of partnership"

In April 2023, the Department of Public Communications of the Kyiv City State Administration held a two-day summit with the support of ISAR Ednannia.

300 representatives of public spaces and hubs from different parts of Ukraine, donor organizations, international aid projects, opinion leaders and authorities.

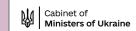


8 separate locations — community hubs, which opened their doors to show life from the inside, talked about their services and the importance of such hubs.





THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF UKRAINE





Implementation of the Barrier-Free Strategy

Our team contributed to the development and approval of the Action Plan for the implementation of the National Strategy for Creating Barrier-Free Space in Ukraine. In 2021, the Government approved the National Strategy for Creating a Barrier-Free Space until 2030. Already in 2023, the Government approved the Action Plan for 2023–2024 to implement the Barrier-Free

Strategy. ISAR Ednannia in partnership with CSO "Bezbariernist" (Barrier-Free) held public discussions of the Action Plan and contributed to the involvement of civic activists who already have expertise and work in this area and implement many of the things that are set out in these documents.







Development and consolidation of democracy in Ukraine





Youth potential development in the Western Regions of Ukraine

In July 2023, ISAR Ednannia, with the support of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), launched a youth empowerment project in the western regions of Ukraine, namely in the Chernivtsi, Ivano-Frankivsk, Ternopil, Lviv, Zakarpattia, Volyn and Rivne oblasts.

The project involved **10 partners** who implemented projects on the local level.

These are NGOs and youth centers: "Youth Platform" NGO, "Building Ukraine Together" NGO, "Mizh Inshym" NGO, "School of ME" NGO, "Youth Space" NGO, "Association of Youth Workers of Ukraine" NGO, "Youth Cultural and Educational "Center of Science of Ternopil" NGO, "Chernivtsi Youth Center" NGO, "Volyn Youth Center" NGO, "Center for Educational Initiatives" CO.



Youth Centers

Thanks to the Program, we managed to strengthen the sustainability of the youth infrastructure in the communities of Lviv, Volyn and Zakarpattia oblasts by establishing 10 new municipal institutions — Youth Centers. Despite the fact that the centers' premises were undergoing an active phase of renovation, from August to

the end of 2023, the Youth Center teams engaged more than **3,000 young people** through their program activities. Each Youth Center is inclusive, and young people from local communities were involved in the design of the space. The official opening of the Youth Centers is scheduled for March-June 2026.

Youth Center is inclusive, ar ple from local communities in the design of the space of renovation, from August to

Youth Center is inclusive, ar ple from local communities in the design of the space opening of the Youth Center for March–June 2024.

Youth Councils

The Program strengthened the capacity of 10 Youth Councils in Lviv, Volyn and Zakarpattia oblasts, which received a series of specialised trainings and consultations from youth work experts. The updated programme activities of the Youth Coun-

cils allowed us to engage more than **1,200** unique young people in 4 months. In 2024, we plan to co-finance 3 local youth development programmes, which will significantly increase the active participation of young people in community life.

Youth Workers

During **4 months** of 2023, about **600 ped-agogical** and social workers mastered the basics of youth work during the online course and the certified basic training

"Youth Worker" in **7 oblasts** of Ukraine. The new cohort of youth workers will increase the level of activity of local youth and promote their involvement in community life.

Informal education and children's clubs

Since September 2023, the Program has been strengthening the activities of **20 children's clubs** in the Lviv oblast. More than **2,600 children** increased their level of

social cohesion, creativity and activity. Children attend dance, vocal, sports, and natural history clubs, etc.

Social entrepreneurship

As part of the Program, a competition was held to select Youth Centers that will create their own social enterprises in Volyn, Lviv and Zakarpattia oblasts. During the month of selection, **33 Youth Centers** ap-

plied for the competition. The project selected **13 Youth Centers** (Volyn oblast – 4, Lviv oblast – 4, Zakarpattia oblast – 5). The implementation partner has already started working with the teams.

UPSHIFT

Together with **6 partners** within the Program, we launched the first **2 waves** of UPSHIFT Ukraine in Volyn, Ivano-Frankivsk, Zakarpattia, Rivne, Ternopil and Chernivtsi oblasts. In 6 months, we managed to involve almost **500 participants** in **120** UPSHIFT teams.



UPSHIFT — is an innovative programme from UNICEF for adolescents and young people that helps turn their ideas into efficient projects.



Forum "Outlines of the Future: Victory, Recovery and Modernization of Ukraine"

Civic and charitable organizations, volunteer initiatives, humanitarian headquarters, international development partners, donors, government officials, media and

business representatives gathered at Mystetskyi Arsenal to discuss current challenges and coordinate joint actions. In total, more than **2,000 participants** gathered.

"Russia's full-scale aggression in February last year started a new era. Today, the ruins of Bakhmut, the fragments of missiles in Podil, and the ruined Mariupol are the wreckage of the world order we built after the end of the Cold War. Today we are standing on a precipice. And it is not known whether this aggression, this global shock, this undermining of international cooperation will result in a successful reformatting of the world order in favour of humanity,"

— noted **Orysia Lutsevych**, Chair of the Ukraine Forum at Chatham House (London, UK) during a keynote speech.



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Local media and CSOs: training on european integration and recovery

In 2023, ISAR Ednannia launched a pilot training project for journalists from local and regional media with the support of the Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation, a project of the German Marshall Fund of the United States. The two waves of trainings were aimed at raising media awareness of European integration and Ukraine's recovery from the consequences of the war.

The project engaged **142 journalists** from all over Ukraine, who not only learned how to tell communities how to get involved in the recovery and EI processes, but also met local civil society organizations for further interaction and cooperation.

The training was conducted by **17 experts** in the field of media, European Integration and recovery, including Vitaliy Portnykov, Serhiy Sydorenko, Zoya Kazanzhy, Yaroslava Prokopenko and others.

The training format included a combination of lectures and workshops, so by the end of the project, the journalists had prepared more than **10 articles** on recovery and European integration, which were published in their media. The participants noted the high level of organization of the event, the value and expertness of the information provided by the speakers, and the interactive format of the event.



The Ukrainian CSO Recovery Community

ISAR Ednannia has united the efforts of civil society organizations working in the field of recovery of the country and created a community of **50 local and regional organizations**.

The goal of creating CSO Recovery Community is to bring together civil society organizations that have already done something in the field of recovery and provide them with opportunities to discuss and implement joint impact on certain issues. The peculiarity of the CSO Recovery Community is that each of the organizations that have joined together, at their own level, regional or local, lives with the problems

in the field of recovery and clearly understands that only unification and joint action can help achieve success.

With the support of the U.S. Embassy's Democracy Commission Small Grants Program, ISAR Ednannia team conducted **3 regional waves** of training to build capacities of Community members and advocate for them. In December 2023, ISAR Ednannia supported **4 joint projects** of CSO Recovery Community members aimed at researching and developing mechanisms for engaging the public in recovery.

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY

Ukraine Recovery Conferenc (London-URC 2023)

ISAR Ednannia engaged the civil society sector in the international Ukraine Recovery Conference in London — the main event for the reconstruction of Ukraine.

The participation of civil society in all key processes of the state, including recovery, is one of the priorities of ISAR Ednannia in advocacy work at all levels.

Civil society can be a great partner for local authorities in implementing recovery and reconstruction projects. We study the current needs of civil society, as well as the impact and role of non-governmental organizations. Almost 80% of NGOs continue to work in Ukraine,"

— **Volodymyr Sheyhus,** Executive Director of ISAR Ednannia and speaker of the URC 2023 side event "Sustainable Inclusive Community Recovery in Ukraine".

In partnership with Chatham House, we discussed ways to shape a better-than-ever, fully rebuilt Ukraine at a joint side event "Shaping a new Ukraine: Ensuring sustainable recovery".





International exhibition "Mission Possible: Rebuild Ukraine Now"

To showcase the role of Ukrainian civil society in the recovery process, ISAR Ednannia team created a unique photo exhibition named "Mission Possible: Rebuild Ukraine Now". The exhibition features 11 infrastructure facilities that have been restored due to CSO activities. Some of these facilities were destroyed as a result of Russian attacks, while others were in urgent need of repair or refurbishment to sustain life in the affected communities. The 11 mockups present collages of BEFORE and AFTER photos of the reconstruction sites, as well as a brief history of the efforts made by the community and organizations.

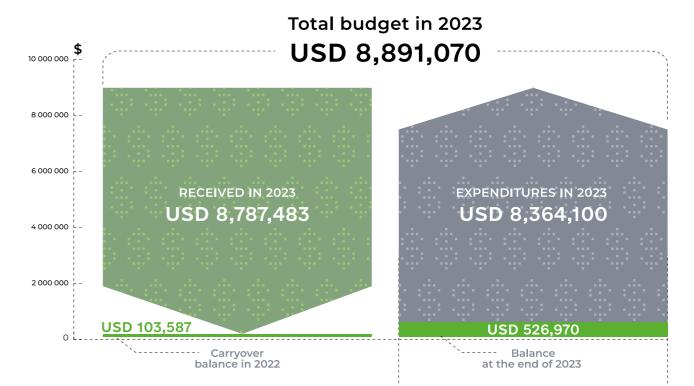




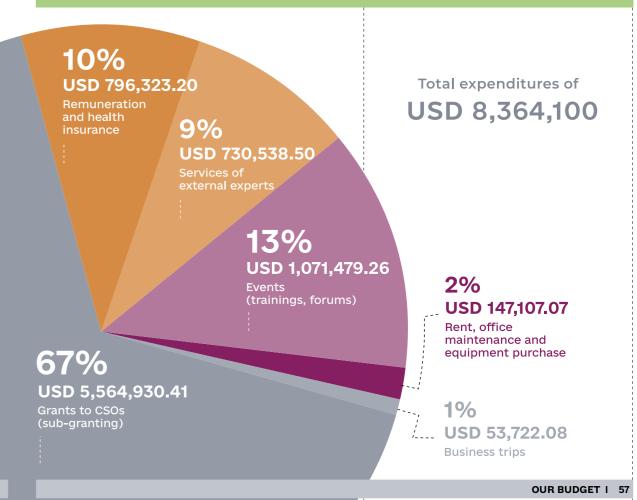
Now the photo exhibition continues its life in digital format



OUR BUDGET







BREAKDOWN OF EXPENDITURES IN 2023 BY PROGRAMME

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