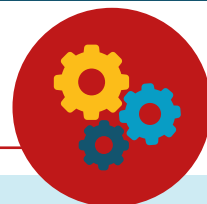




## PROJECT SECTORS



### Resource sectors:

-  land and property
-  sustainable community development
-  local government finance

### Special theme:

-  Amalgamated territorial communities

### Service sectors:

-  public education
-  health care
-  social protection
-  administrative services
-  housing and municipal utilities
-  staffing and organisational aspects

### Project publications:



Annual Local Self-Governance Status Report  
Annual Publication of Itinerary of Successes  
Herald publication (monthly)  
Pulse of Decentralization e-publication (weekly)  
Book of Sectoral Strategies  
Book of Successes (quarterly)  
Best Local Government Practices publication (quarterly)  
Manuals for Amalgamated Territorial Communities

### Regular Project events:



Dialogue Day with the Cabinet of Ministers  
Dialogue Day with the Parliament  
Sectoral Forums of Local Governments  
Regional Policy Dialogue Platforms  
Professional Group Meetings  
National and Regional Press Clubs  
Sectoral Law Drafting and Advocacy Laboratories  
Regional Legislation Application Laboratories  
Summer School on Project Management  
Annual Training on Strategic Development  
Study Tours (national and regional)

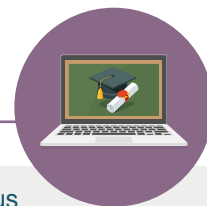
### UPGRADED AUC WEB-SITE

Sectoral Decentralization Platforms



### E-LEARNING

Distance Learning Courses on Prometheus Platform  
Webinars etc.



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# POLICY FOR UKRAINE LOCAL SELF GOVERNANCE PROJECT (PULSE)



## PROJECT PURPOSE



The purpose of the Policy for Ukraine Local Self Governance (PULSE) activity is to strengthen local governance, deepen democracy, improve conditions for development of communities and promote stability.

The Project is being implemented in three components:

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR DECENTRALISATION REFORMS



Working on the legislative framework for decentralisation reforms PULSE takes the input from local government officials – practitioners who later on implement legislative initiatives – and involves them to the legislation work. The Project puts together sectoral pools of experts for legislation drafting, organises training in law-making and advocacy, and introduces a number of tool for drafting legislation and regulatory documents (including interactive tools) and platforms for expert discussions. PULSE actively makes use of the existing instruments for policy dialogue between local government officials and central agencies of the state executive. The Project conducts practical training in legislation application, introduces distance-learning courses, provides consultations, and disseminates technical recommendations on legislation application in practice.

### INCREASING RESOURCES UNDER LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITIES



The PULSE Project focuses on expanding the tax base of local self-governance, increasing the effectiveness of property taxes, legalization of income, and strengthening the financial autonomy of institutions in the public sector. The Project promotes the environment for access to additional financial resources for infrastructure improvements in consolidated territorial communities, such as borrowings and grant resources. PULSE joins the efforts to reform funding mechanisms for the local government delegated mandate in the sphere of public education, health care, culture, and social protection by introducing a system of social service standards and financial norms.

### INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS



Understanding the implications of the reform and support to its implementation from various participants of the process, such as state executive and local government officials, technical experts, media representatives and the community are the key to the successful reform implementation. The Project identifies the main target audiences and works with them training and providing information about the process and changes taking place, thus, supporting the conditions for consultations and dialogue. The project has launched communication channels to deliver the message about the vision and implementation of the reform, as well as set up forums for regular discussions of state executive authorities and local governments with media and public activists. PULSE collects and disseminates successes of decentralisation reform and best local government practices.



PULSE provides consultants at AUC Regional Offices – on budget, on legal issues, and on communications and replication of decentralisation reform successes. In addition, 6 hubs on local economic development cover communities from all the oblasts.