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The **Platform for Dialogue and Conflict Resolution in Ukraine** and the **Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)** are pleased to invite you to a

**Round table**

**Ukraine: Economic relations across the contact line and the role of trade unions**

**Date** Tuesday, 23 May 2017, 11:00-13:00

**Venue** International Institute for Peace (IIP), Möllwaldplatz 4, 1040 Vienna

**Keynote**

**ANDREY KOCHETOV**, Trade Unionist, Luhansk/Lugansk

**Panel**

**PETER HAVLIK**, Senior Economist at the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

**IVAN NAGORNYAK**, Regional Coordinator of the Social Democratic Platform in Ukraine

**VELINA TCHAKAROVA**, Senior Research Fellow, Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy

**Moderation**

**HANNES SWOBODA**, MEP ret., President of the International Institute for Peace, Vienna

Trade and economic exchange between Western Ukraine and the non-government controlled areas have come to a halt, which resulted in a situation of economic deprivation of the people in the non-government controlled areas. At the same time, the trade unions in Donetsk and Luhansk/Lugansk separated from the Ukrainian trade unions. Former trade union colleagues do not have official contact anymore.

Which steps can be taken in order to restore economic ties between Ukraine and the non-government areas? What can be done in order to contribute to re-establishing a dialogue between the trade unions and other institutions dealing with economic issues? Which impacts do economic relations between the parties concerned have on the different aspects of societal behaviour?

The Austrian **Platform for Dialogue and Conflict Resolution in Ukraine** is an alliance committed to a large number of dialogue supporting initiatives in Ukraine. They are to be implemented in the forthcoming years with a view to long-term effects.

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*The discussion will be held in English and under CHATHAM HOUSE RULES.*

*Refreshments and snacks will be served after the event.*

**Please register:**

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