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## Conference on the future of advocacy in Ukraine

**Date:** 23 June 2009

**Location:** Kyiv (Ukraine)

**Organised by** the Council of Europe and the European Commission, in the framework of their joint programme on the transparency and efficiency of the judicial system in Ukraine.

**Description:** The conference devoted to the future of the legal profession in Ukraine will discuss the current situation of advocacy and the legislative proposals to regulate it.

Legal professions remain largely unregulated under Ukrainian law. Four different draft laws on advocacy, which have been recently submitted to the Parliament attempt to remedy this situation.

The aim of the meeting is to exchange views on possible solutions to the challenges faced by Ukrainian practising lawyers and on bringing the Ukrainian legal profession into conformity with European standards.

Council of Europe experts, representatives of legal associations, the Government and the Parliament will participate in the discussions. The conference will be introduced by the representatives of the Council of Europe and the European Commission Delegation in Ukraine as well as by Volodymyr Vysotskiy, Head of the High Qualification Commission of Advocacy.

### Practical information:

- The meeting will take place **from 10 am to 5.30 pm** at the Conference Centre at the President Hotel Kyivsky, (12 Hospitalna st., Kyiv), and is **open to the press**.
- A **press conference** is scheduled at **9.30 am on Monday 23 June**.

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