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Demographic Resilience: Building a Platform for Ukraine's Demographic Future during Post-War Reconstruction

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Abstract:

Ukraine’s demographic landscape has undergone significant changes due to the war, which not only led to substantial human casualties but also disrupted the fundamental components of demographic stability, such as birth and death rates, migration, and the overall health of the population. In light of these challenges, building demographic resilience becomes crucial for the country’s recovery and its long-term development after the war. This involves creating robust systems and policies that can ensure a stable and healthy population, as well as support economic and social development.

During the presentation, key aspects of demographic resilience will be highlighted; an analysis of population dynamics and demographic processes before the war and changes during 2014-2023, as well as forecasts for the future up to 2050; regional demographic changes; the impact of demographic shifts on the labor market, healthcare system, and social security. A special role is given to strategies for enhancing Ukraine’s demographic resilience after the war.

About the presenter:

Professor Dmytro Shushpanov is the head of the Department of Demographic Modeling and Forecasting at the Institute for Demography and Life Quality Problems of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (Kyiv, Ukraine). His research focuses on studying the social determinants of health, morbidity, and mortality of the population, as well as developing effective demographic policy. The collaboration with VID is associated with a research project aimed at addressing challenges and opportunities related to Ukraine’s demographic future in the European context, developing a comprehensive program that will promote demographic resilience in Ukraine, drawing on the experience and best practices of Austria.

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