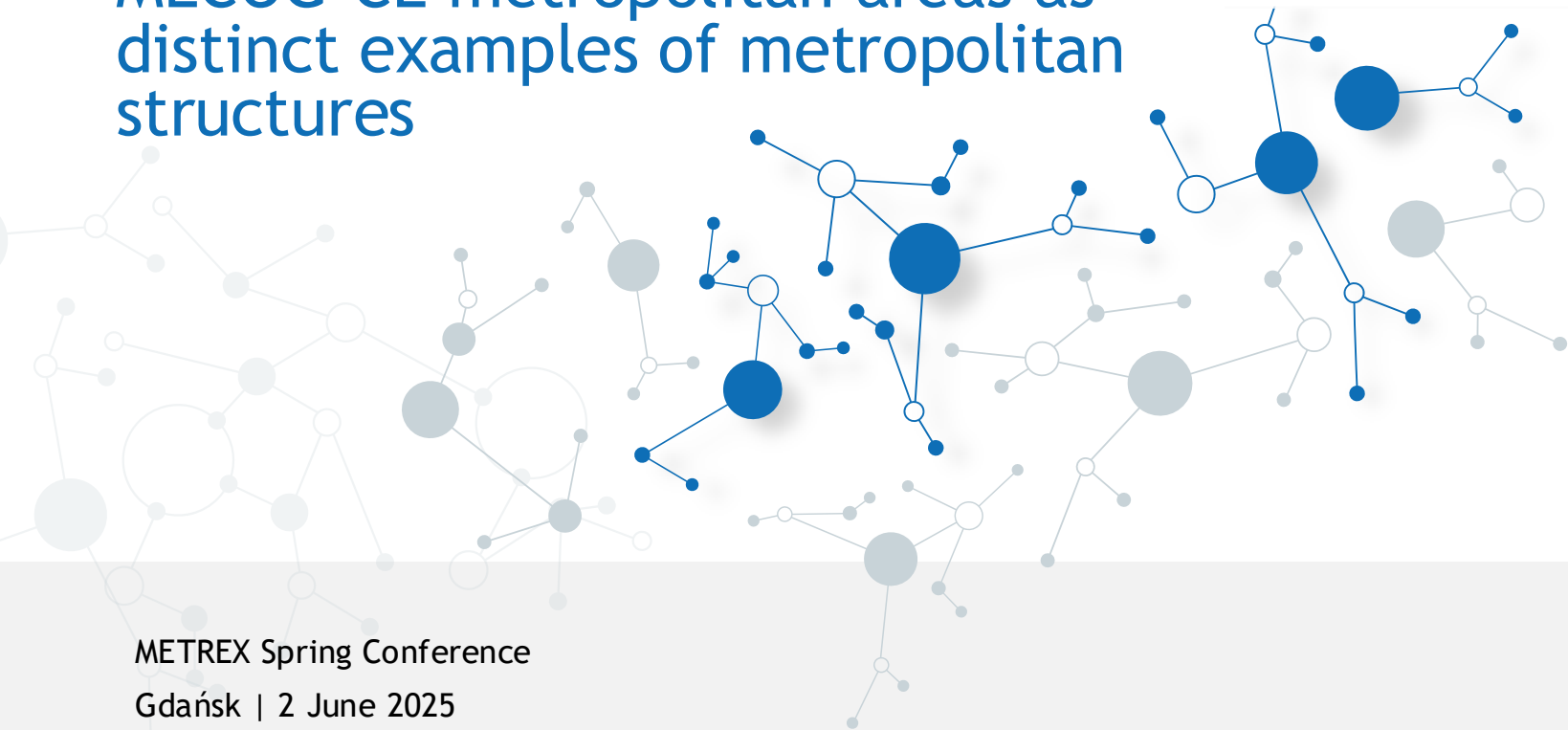


MECOG-CE metropolitan areas as distinct examples of metropolitan structures





Flagship initiative in Ukraine

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Agglomerations in Ukraine - bottom-up and top-down

- Previous attempts: Greater Yalta (1998), Irpin Pilot Case (2001), Regional Agglomeration Drogobychchyna (2003), Odesa Agglomeration Strategic Plan (2011), Kyiv Agglomeration (2019), Lviv Agglomeration (2024)
- Draft Laws: 2017, 2019, 2023 - not adopted

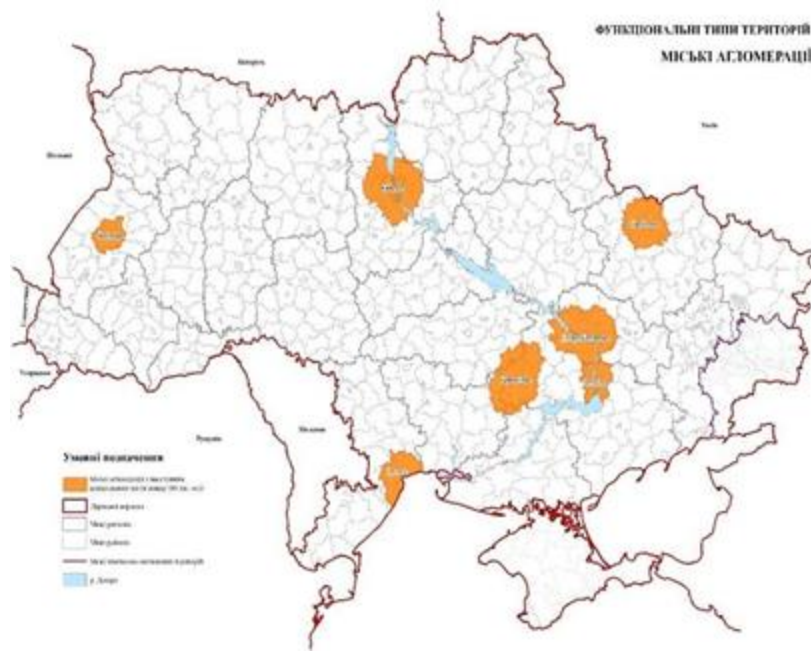
State Regional Development Strategy 2021-2027

500 thousands inhabitants +

Lviv, Kyiv, Odesa, Kharkiv, Dnipro,
Zaporizhzhia, Kryvyi Rih

Law on Self-Government Bodies
Association

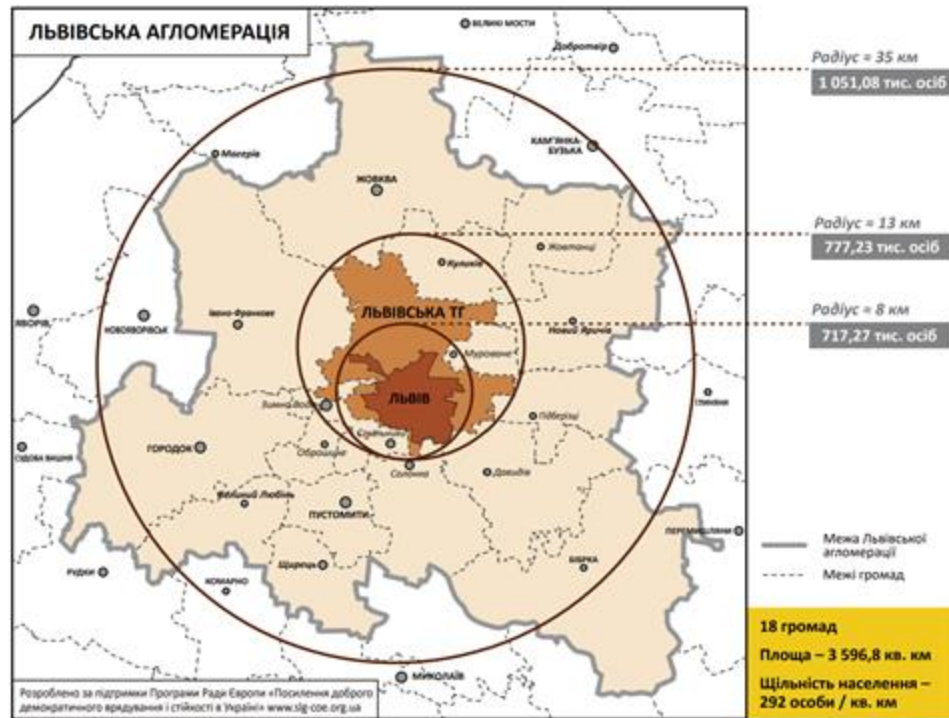
Law on inter-municipal cooperation



Context and key challenges

- functional urban area (de-facto) vs. form of cooperation (de-jure)
- borders and membership - central government decision or voluntary union
- lack of trust between bigger and smaller municipalities
- choice of a model for municipal governance
- division of competences between agglomeration and its members

Lviv Agglomeration: figures and facts



18 municipalities: 5 urban, 5 semi-urban, and 8 rural

1.05 million people, 79% urban and 21% rural area inhabitants (01/01/2022)

3,596.8 km² total area

72% active enterprises of the Lviv Oblast

14 roads of state significance

9 railway lines junction

1 international airport

Lviv Agglomeration Development Strategy until 2027

STRATEGIC GOAL 1: COHESION & RESILIENCE

- ◆ **OG 1.1:** Joint platform for inter-municipal cooperation and agglomeration's interest advocacy
- ◆ **OG 1.2:** Strengthening resilience towards crises and emergencies
- ◆ **OG 1.3:** Boosting public involvement in metropolitan cooperation development

STRATEGIC GOAL 2: QUALITY OF LIFE

- ◆ **OG 2.1:** Integrated and sustainable mobility
- ◆ **OG 2.2:** Joint water and wastewater infrastructure
- ◆ **OG 2.3:** Integrated waste management system
- ◆ **OG 2.4:** Nature protection and expansion of green/blue areas
- ◆ **OG 2.5:** Accessibility to education, health care, and culture services

STRATEGIC GOAL 3: COMPETITIVENESS

- ◆ **OG 3.1:** Key logistics hub in national and international transport networks
- ◆ **OG 3.2:** Competitive environment for business and innovations
- ◆ **OG 3.3:** National rehabilitation cluster
- ◆ **OG 3.4:** Hub for recreational and business tourism

Association of Self-government Bodies ‘Lviv Agglomeration’

- established in April 2024
- 10 municipalities, including Lviv Hromada
- municipalities represented by mayors
- platform for communication and coordination
- double majority principle of decision making
- board - executive directorate - thematic committees

Lviv Agglomeration: cooperation started

PROJECTS:

- Children's exchange visits to neighbouring municipalities
- Agglomeration Craft Fair
- Atlas of local historical attractions
- First Agglomeration Forum in Ukraine
- Inter-municipal agreement on the provision of services for children with special needs
- Two Interreg Europe projects in mobility
- Prefeasibility study for Logistic Hub

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