

Russia-Ukraine: Shaping Common Views on European Security Architecture Project



«The 20-year history of relations between Ukraine and Russia as independent nations has demonstrated that there is no alternative to further developing our strategic partnership based on the principles of equality, mutual respect and pragmatism. There has been plenty of evidence that all other models of dialogue are unproductive and run counter to the national interests of our country and, I am sure, of the Russian Federation as well.»

From the interview with Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Russian Federation Volodymyr Yelchenko for Security Index Journal

Within the framework of the project:

- PIR Center develops cooperation with representatives of the Ukrainian experts community;
- PIR Center experts participate in international forums on energy security, nuclear non-proliferation and other strategic issues;
- Participants of the PIR Center International Summer School on Global Security are representatives of institutions of higher education, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Armed forces of Ukraine;
- *Security Index* journal №3, 2011 published an interview with Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ukraine to the Russian Federation Volodymyr Yelchenko;
- Professor of Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University Sergey Galaka is appointed as a representative of *Security Index* in Ukraine;

Issues covered by the project:

- Challenges to the European and international security uniting national interests of both countries
- Mechanisms of interaction within the frameworks of OSCE and CIS
- Peaceful nuclear cooperation
- Collective work on enhancing of nuclear non-proliferation regime
- Participation of Ukraine in GLONASS program

PIR Center project includes seminars, round tables, research and policy recommendations devoted to cooperation between Russia and Ukraine in the sphere of nuclear energy, development of collective security mechanisms and Russian-Ukrainian nuclear non-proliferation initiatives. Particular attention is paid to peaceful nuclear energy issues and participation of Ukraine in the work of The International Uranium Enrichment Center in Angarsk. For example, Margarita Klochkova prepared report «**Prospects of cooperation between Russia and CIS countries in the sphere of nuclear energy (the case of Ukraine)**».

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