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DRIVING SUSTAINABILITY: GREEN FINANCE STRATEGIES AND INITIATIVES IN MOLDOVA AND BEYOND

Abstract

The global landscape of green finance witnesses a diverse array of financial instruments tailored to foster environmental sustainability and combat climate change risks, as illuminated by Wang & Zhi (2016). These instruments span environmental and biodiversity funds, debt-for-environment swaps, forestry securitizations, weather derivatives, nature-linked securities, and green investment funds. Moreover, the UNEP underscores the global momentum towards sustainability, with countries like Kenya, Bangladesh, and Jordan leading innovative green financing endeavors, alongside notable efforts in Central America, Egypt, Mongolia, Morocco, Thailand, Vietnam, Mauritius, and the Philippines. Moldova, in alignment with these global trends, demonstrates a holistic approach to green finance within its developmental agenda. Embracing policy integration and institutional frameworks, Moldova leverages partnerships with the EU, UNDP, and international financiers to catalyze green investments and enhance environmental legislation. Notably, Moldova's participation in regional initiatives and capacity-building endeavors augments its efforts towards energy efficiency, renewable energy adoption, and sustainable transportation.

Embracing sustainability as a cornerstone of progress, Moldova envisions a future where environmental preservation seamlessly integrates with socioeconomic advancement, ensuring resilience and prosperity for generations to come.

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PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN GERMANY AND UKRAINE IN THE CONTEXT OF RUSSIAN AGGRESSION

Abstract

Germany provides political, financial, humanitarian and military support to Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression. It remains steadfast in its commitment to Ukraine's independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity. It commends the determination and courage of the Ukrainian people and their Armed Forces in defending themselves against Russian aggression and securing Ukraine's free and democratic future.

The partnership between Ukraine and Germany, especially in today's circumstances, helps to fight for a just and lasting peace in Ukraine, as well as for peace, security and stability on the European continent.

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**DOMINANT VECTORS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN ITALY AND
UKRAINE IN THE CONTEXT OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION
PROCESSES**

Abstract

Bilateral relations between Ukraine and Italy in the fields of international politics, economics, education, science, culture, etc. were established in January 1992.

Italy reaffirms its unwavering support for the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

With the support of the Ukrainian community and the Embassy of Ukraine in Italy, a number of cultural events were held in Italy.

Italy's policy is to assist Ukraine in maintaining its quality defense and military superiority. On 21 February 2023, Volodymyr Zelenskyy and Giorgia Meloni signed the Agreement on Security Cooperation between Ukraine and Italy in Kyiv.

Ukraine and Italy have established strong interstate cultural and humanitarian relations. Cultural relations are developing with the greatest consideration of historical experience and various directions.

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, GLOBALIZATION AND POVERTY

Abstract

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), globalization, and poverty are interconnected concepts that play a significant role in shaping global policies and actions towards creating a more equitable and sustainable future. Understanding the interplay between these elements is crucial for addressing some of the most pressing challenges of our time. The interplay between the SDGs, globalization, and poverty is complex:

- Globalization can facilitate the achievement of the SDGs by fostering economic growth, creating job opportunities, and facilitating the flow of information and technology. However, it can also lead to environmental degradation, exacerbate inequalities, and undermine cultural identities, posing challenges to sustainable development.

- Globalization has the potential to lift people out of poverty by creating economic opportunities. However, the benefits of globalization are not evenly distributed, leading to increased inequality within and between countries. Addressing poverty in the context of globalization requires policies that ensure the equitable distribution of wealth and opportunities.

- The SDGs aim to address the root causes of poverty in all its forms. Goal 1, "No Poverty," directly targets the eradication of extreme poverty, while other goals focus on education, health, and economic growth, all of which are critical to reducing poverty.

In conclusion, while globalization presents both opportunities and challenges, the SDGs provide a framework for navigating these complexities towards achieving a sustainable and equitable future. Addressing poverty within this context requires a multifaceted approach that considers economic, social, and environmental dimensions.

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ACADEMIC READINESS FOR CRISIS

Abstract:

Scholastic preparedness assumes a pivotal role in effectively addressing crises such as the Ukrainian conflict. Confronted with such formidable circumstances, academic institutions bear the responsibility of ensuring that students, faculty, and staff possess the requisite skills, knowledge, and resources to navigate these exigencies with resilience and adaptability. Scholastic preparedness encompasses not only furnishing students with a robust grounding in subject-specific expertise but also nurturing critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication proficiencies that are indispensable during periods of turmoil. This involves equipping students to comprehend the multifaceted social, economic, and political dimensions surrounding such events, fostering empathy and cultural cognizance, and fostering proactive involvement in humanitarian endeavors. Moreover, scholastic preparedness encompasses the establishment of robust emergency response strategies and protocols, the training of educators in crisis management, and the utilization of technology to facilitate remote learning and communication in instances of disruption to physical access to educational facilities. By prioritizing scholastic preparedness, educational institutions can enable individuals to contribute meaningfully in times of crisis, bolster community resilience, and lay the groundwork for a more enlightened and prepared future. Furthermore, fostering collaborative efforts with universities in other countries, such as the United States, can enhance the exchange of knowledge, resources, and strategies, enriching the collective response to global crises

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ROLE OF SUSTAINABLE FINANCE IN OVERCOMING GLOBAL ECONOMIC CHALLENGES

Abstract

The world faces global problems in the economic, social, environmental and other spheres. These challenges form a relevant environment for the functioning of entities. In the last five years, their negative impact has been intensified by unpredictable events, such as the COVID-2019 pandemic and geopolitical risks, such as russian invasion in Ukraine. Numerous studies by scientists and international institutions emphasize the need to raise significant financial resources that will be directed specifically to environmental issues, social goals, and good governance (ESG/SRI investment). This is a necessary condition for mitigating current negative consequences and hedging a future risk.

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THE ROLE OF CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY OF UKRAINE

Abstract

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is becoming increasingly important in the recovery of Ukraine's national economy. This topic highlights the role of businesses in addressing the country's social, environmental and economic challenges. CSR focuses on making businesses feel responsible to society and take care of its well-being. In the context of economic recovery, corporations play an important role in promoting social development, creating new jobs, and investing in education, healthcare, and infrastructure. They are also actively involved in solving environmental problems and supporting sustainable development. Ways to implement CSR include the implementation of ethical standards, transparency in operations, and cooperation with the government and non-profit organizations. These measures help to increase trust in business and strengthen Ukraine's economic potential.

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PERSPECTIVES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION'S STRATEGY IN CENTRAL ASIA

Abstract

Abstract: This article is devoted to cooperation of Central Asian states with European Union in the context of the European strategies towards Central Asia. The purpose of the study is to identify the theoretical foundations for the recent evolution of the EU Strategy and to carry out a policy-focused analysis. The author presents opportunities for extending strategic partnership of Central Asian states with the EU. The article is aimed at analyzing existing formats of cooperation, identifying practical possibilities of further extension of cooperation, and prioritizing the new ways of partnership. Results to be obtained: an evaluation of prerequisites of revising EU Strategy for Central Asia; EU policy's analysis in the region; formulation of the priorities for partnership in the new political realities. The practical significance of this project is the elaboration of the key directions of regional connectivity of Central Asia with the EU in the contemporary geopolitical environment.