



UKRAINIAN ECOLOGICAL CLUB "GREEN WAVE"

Annual activity report of the organization

2022



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INTRODUCTION



2022 has become a great challenge for our organization, as well as for all Ukrainians. The full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation into Ukraine forced us to reformat current projects in order to ensure the safety of the team as much as possible.

In spite of wartime difficulties, we managed to unite around a common goal - to continue to be useful to Ukrainian society and fulfill the mission of the organization.

Therefore, our greatest achievement this year (as well as for all Ukrainians) was that we were able to adapt the organization's activities to new conditions.

We hope that our scientific and practical war impact research webinars and other events show the resilience of our team. We are very proud that, despite all the difficulties in 2022, we updated the organization's development strategy (until 2025) and the organization's mission through joint efforts. 2022 has become a year of strength, consciousness, resistance and lust for life in all its manifestations for us!

We have plans for the future, we are waiting for the Ukrainian victory and we are making a significant contribution to it!

Yevgenia Mykytyanska, executive director
Oleksandra Khalaim, head of the NGO UEC "Green Wave".

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION



The non-government organization "Ukrainian Ecological Club "Green Wave" is a team of environmentalists, trainers and active members of the Ukrainian environmental movement.

We have been working since 2008.



MISSION

We are educating and enlightening people, aiming to preserve and minimize the negative impact on the environment while taking care of the present and the future of humankind.



MOTTO

To Live Ecologically: Giving a Green Light to Green Ideas

OUR VALUES:

-  **HONESTY.** Members of our organization lead the eco-friendly lifestyle which they promote in society.
-  **UNFORCED ECO ACTIVISM.** A soft approach will help people learn to be eco-responsible.
-  **PROFESSIONALISM.** Every employee of the organization strives for their high level of expertise. We are constantly learning and improving our skills.
-  **CREDIBILITY.** Green Wave always checks the information it uses in its activities and opposes dishonesty and manipulation of environmental data.
-  **SUPPORT.** We support environmental initiatives of people, organizations, and informal groups. We support the initiatives of organization members, experts and volunteers.



AREAS OF ACTIVITY



**Environmental
education advocacy**

**Environmental aspects of
business social responsibility**
(implementation of a green office
idea in the organizations' work)

**Education for sustainable
development** (game-based
learning approach implementation
into environmental education)

**Ecological social
initiatives support**

Combating climate change
(public activism and scientific
research on the role of urban
greening in creating a
comfortable microclimate for local
residents)

MEMBERSHIP IN THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS, COOPERATION



A member of International Climate Action Network (Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia) since 2019: [CAN EECCA](#);

An observer of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change since 2019;

A member of the [Ukrainian Climate Network \(UCN\)](#) since 2014. Within cooperation, we participate in annual meetings, vote and work in the area of education and adaptation to climate change;

Cooperation with the Danube-Carpathian Program of WWF International since November 2014;

The first Ukrainian NGO with the status of NGO – National supporter of [Gold Standard](#) in Ukraine, which can participate in public hearings and provide its official comments on projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote sustainable development and that are submitted for Gold Standard certification;

A member of the UN Global Compact [UN Global Compact](#) in Ukraine since 2010;

Planning to join [CAN Europe](#) in 2023.



ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF NGO UEC "GREEN WAVE"



5.19. Supervisory Board

is a consultative and advisory body of the organization that provides consultative and methodical support and conducts independent assessment of organization activity results. It has at least five members. The term of office is five years.

5.3. General meeting

is the highest governing body of the organization that has the legitimacy to make decisions on any of its activities.

5.12. Head of the Organization

is the head of the organization which is elected for four years by the General Assembly and is accountable to the General Assembly.

5.23. Audit Commission

is a collegial body which supervises financial and economic organization activities. It is elected at the General Assembly and consisted of two members.

5.15. Executive Director,

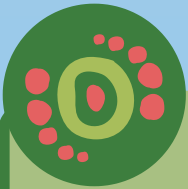
administrative and executive body of the organization, is appointed for two years by the Head of the Organization, this decision is approved by the Supervisory Board.

The number of members of the organization: 11, 5 of them are full-time employees

OUR PROJECTS



COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE



Project

"Transparent and participatory inventory system of green areas in Ukraine: iTree4UA"

IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD:

September 2021 - December 2022

THE AIM OF THE PROJECT:

is to ensure the functionality of the i-Tree Eco tool for usage in all communities of Ukraine to assess the ecosystem services of trees in quantitative and monetary terms. The project creates an analytical and technological background for launching an interactive and transparent urban tree inventory system in Ukraine based on i-Tree technologies to benefit local communities and the environment under the threat of climate change.

THE MAIN STAGES OF THE PROJECT:

1. Collection and processing of the necessary data packet for the integration of the i-Tree Eco tool to use in all communities of Ukraine: September 2021 - March 2022.
2. Collection of additional data for four pilot communities in different regions of Ukraine to obtain the full version of i-Tree Eco: March 2022 - June 2022.
3. Conducting pilot inventory works with the help of i-Tree Eco with local stakeholders in pilot communities, as an example of the possibility of initiating similar inventory projects in any community of Ukraine: June 2022 - October 2022.





SHORT-TERM OUTCOMES:

- 4 communities were involved in the implementation of the project (Demydiv Community (NGO "Promoting Village Development"), Novyi Rozdil Community (NGO "Rozdil Development Agency"), Uzhgorod and Onokyiv Communities (NGO "Forza"), Berezhany Community (NGO "Krai"));
- Volunteer trainings were conducted;
- Nearly 1,000 trees were inventoried by more than 250 volunteers during pilot inventories;
- Two inventories were conducted by the project team in Feofania Park, Kyiv.



LONG-TERM OUTCOMES:

- The i-Tree ECO participatory, transparent and interactive inventory system is adapted for wide use in Ukraine;
- Other Ukrainian cities are taking the first steps to implement the usage of the i-Tree ECO system

The project is implemented by the financial support of US Forestry Service International Programs in partnership with Davey Tree Expert Company (developers of i-Tree products in the USA).





STRENGTHENING OF INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY



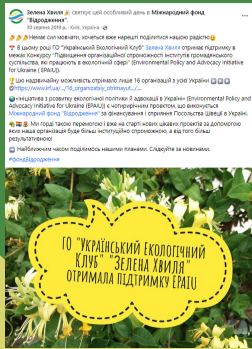
Project "Through Own Development to Positive Eco-Changes in Society"

The project was implemented from September 2019 to April 2020 (1st stage) and from July 2020 to August 2022 (2nd stage) as a part of the Development of Environmental Policy and Advocacy Initiative for Ukraine (EPAIU) and the program "Increasing the organizational capacity of civil society institutions that act in the environmental field" which is carried out by the International Renaissance Foundation with the financial support of Sweden.

The initiative is aiming at the civil society organizations – institutionally capable, transparently governed, accountable and recognized in the environmental community that can contribute to reforms in Ukraine through the implementation of environmental policy and advocacy activities to protect the environment.

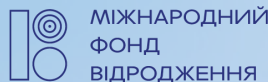
THE AIM OF THE PROJECT:

is to strengthen the organization's capacity, implement the proper management system of the organization, implement the activities of the strategic plan in the environmental field, develop analytical and advocacy activities, and strengthen the financial management system.

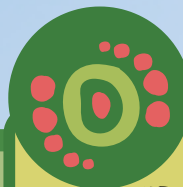


THE MAIN OUTPUTS OF THE SECOND STAGE IN 2022:

- the Organization's Strategy 2022–2025 was updated and adopted;
- the mission of the organization was updated;
- the members of the supervisory board of the organization was changed;
- the organization's website was updated and optimized;
- the organization survived and adapted its activities to the conditions of a full-scale invasion;
- all activities were successfully completed and project reports were submitted.

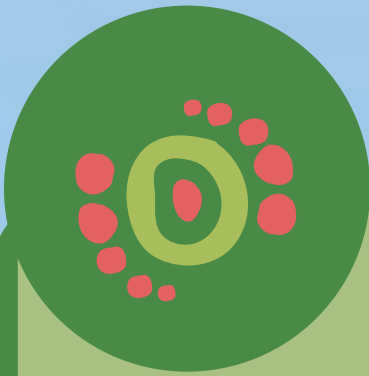


The project is implemented from November 2022 to August 2023 and is the 3rd stage of the Initiative for the Development of Environmental Policy and Advocacy Initiative for Ukraine (EPAIU) and the program "Increasing the organizational capacity of civil society institutions that act in the environmental field" which is carried out by the International Renaissance Foundation with the financial support of Sweden.



Project
**"Per aspera ad astra:
strengthening environmental
education in Ukraine by an
institutionally capable team"**





THE AIM OF THE PROJECT:

is to continue work on strengthening the organization capacity of the institution, implementation of the Strategic Plan of the organization in the environmental field, increasing the ability to perform analytical and advocacy activities qualitatively for the eco - friendly recovery of Ukraine after the war through the consolidation of formal and informal environmental education, including enlightenment and education for adults (life-long learning) in Ukraine.

The total budget is \$28,500.

THE MAIN OUTCOMES OF THE THIRD STAGE:

Creation and operation of the Ukrainian National online training center for eco-education.

Distinguishing and functioning of the eco-games department within the organization.

Raising awareness of local climate change in Ukraine through an educational media campaign and a number of publications on related topics (climate dictionary, media literacy guide, story about "climate professions").

Conducting the remote Ukrainian national conference on climate education for teachers.

Activation of the organization's presence and recognition in the international community of environmental public activism (membership in international organizations, such as Climate Action Network Europe).

Changing the members of the Supervisory Board and developing more active inclusive cooperation with it during the organization's activities.

Continuation of strengthening the expertise of the organization through education, participation in training, conferences, study trips and exchanges, as well as preservation and transfer of information within the NGO.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

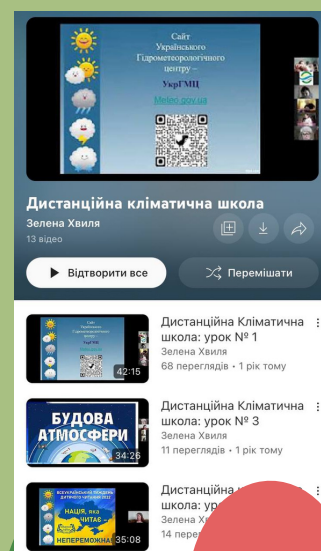


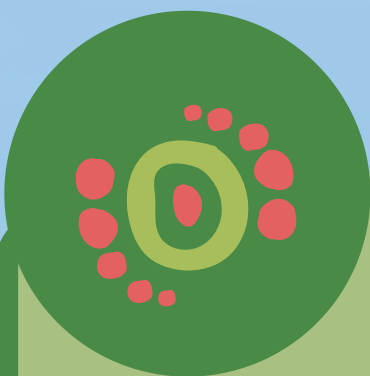
Climate educational and methodical courses for primary and basic secondary schools development

1. Optional educational and methodical complex "Climate-box" for 5-6 grade students of secondary school consists of a teacher book and **activity book**. It is written by Iryna Sankovska and Olga Prutsakova.
2. It was created as a part of the institutional development of the NGO UEC "Green Wave" project in spring 2022.
3. The first edition of a pilot educational and methodical complex was printed in autumn (67 teacher books and 200 activity books).

Online climate school

- Webinars on the basis of the educational and methodical course "Climate Alphabet" for 8-12 year children were held by Iryna Sankovska, the author of the course and a member of the organization.
- 13 online lessons were conducted in spring 2022.
- About 200 students joined them.
- Use the **link** to watch the recorded lessons.

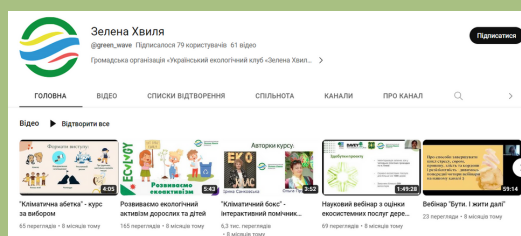




Ecology Video stories

Iryna Sankovska and Daria Makuha shot and edited video plots:

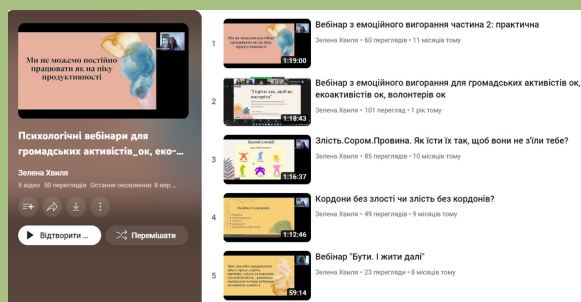
- "Climate alphabet" – optional course.
- "Climate Box" – an interactive teacher's assistant!
- "Developing adults and children ecological activism."



All stories are uploaded onto the organization's [YouTube](#).

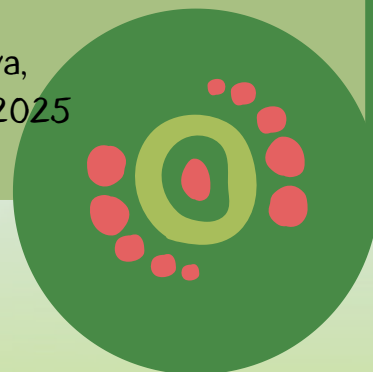


OTHER EVENTS 2022



- Zlata Mikhalechuk, a member and expert of the organization, prepared and held 5 psychological webinars to support eco-activists, civil society activists and the NGO UEC "Green Wave" community. You can watch the recorded materials.

- Outgoing team building training was held in July
- The Strategy session was held by Oleksandra Baklanova, and the Organization's Development Strategy 2022-2025 was reached.



OTHER PUBLICATIONS 2022



Qualitative sociological research to identify how teachers relate to the issues of climate change and gender was conducted, and an analytical report on focus group discussions: **"Climate Education and Gender"** was created with Natalya Dmytruk, leading researcher of MSRI "Research Institute of Socio-Economic Development of the City" (Kyiv), expert of NGO "Gender Creative Space"

A comprehensive survey was conducted and an analytical report **"Ecological Consequences of Military Actions for Natural Ecosystem"** was created with the research agency Info Sapiens.



The methodological material "Open resources for researching environmental changes" which recommends researching environmental changes was created, and **a series of webinars** about practical use of these resources were held by the organization's experts Lilia Yurkiv and Olga Tomchuk.



BRIEF FINANCIAL REPORT 2022



Nº	Project	Implementation period	Funding sources	Received, UAN
1	Project "Through own development to positive eco-changes in society"	01.01.2022 - 31.12.2022	2 tranches, EPAIU program, IRF	505437
2	Project "Per aspera ad astra: strengthening environmental education in Ukraine by an institutionally capable team"	01.01.2022 - 31.12.2022	1 tranche, EPAIU program, IRF	1055004
3	Project "Transparent and participatory inventory system of green areas in Ukraine: iTree4UA"	01.01.2022 - 31.12.2021	4 tranches, USFS IP	1526703
4	Eco-games sale	01.01.2022 - 31.12.2022	Individual Orders	7000
Receipt of all project funds to the organization's accounts				3094144
All projects implementation and the Organization maintenance expenses				2920302



OUR TEAM - 2022



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