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KEY EVENTS

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SARDI INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD HOLDS FIRST MEETING IN KYIV

■ SARDI's international Advisory Board held its first offline meeting in Kyiv under the EU4Reconstruction program (Stream 2), combining a field visit to Borodianka with a strategic session with SARDI's leadership. The delegation — comprising international experts in infrastructure, energy, digital systems and public investment — reviewed reconstruction projects in Borodianka, including restored residential buildings, modular shelters and a veterans rehabilitation center.

SARDI presented Borodianka as a case study of comprehensive recovery, combining housing restoration, public infrastructure modernization and energy efficiency. To date, 37 facilities have been completed and commissioned. During the strategic session in Kyiv, participants discussed resilience planning ahead of the heating season, protection of critical infrastructure, decentralized energy solutions and the Agency's long-term institutional transformation into a center of expertise for recovery and infrastructure development.



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“Comprehensive recovery is not about individual facilities — it is about quality of life. Our task is not only to rebuild what was destroyed, but to create an environment where people want to live and develop their communities,” **said First Deputy Head of SARDI Mykola Boiko**

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SARDI PROMOTES DIGITAL APPROACH TO UKRAINE'S RECONSTRUCTION

■ SARDI Deputy Head for Digital Transformation Roman Komendant spoke at the 82nd scientific conference of the National Transport University, highlighting innovation, transparency and technical expertise as core pillars of Ukraine's reconstruction strategy. Priority areas include BIM technologies, digital twins for infrastructure assets, intelligent transport systems and fully digital procurement and management tools.

Komendant said Ukraine's "Build Back Better" approach depends on closer cooperation between government, universities and researchers to develop resilient, EU-aligned infrastructure solutions.

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“We look to researchers and today's students for bold ideas and innovative digital solutions that can help make Ukraine's infrastructure modern, resilient and aligned with European standards,”
said Roman Komendant.

BIM AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

■ SARDI Launches BIM Consultations with Industry

SARDI has launched a series of consultations with architects, engineers, industry associations and private-sector stakeholders to support the adoption of Building Information Modelling (BIM) in reconstruction projects. Discussions focused on common standards, interoperability of digital solutions, improved project documentation and more efficient data management throughout the project lifecycle.

The initiative is supported by the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), Connected Places Catapult and the Digital Construction Office.

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“It is important for us to maintain an open dialogue as we work together to develop approaches to implementing BIM projects, including the documentation and practical solutions needed to integrate BIM into pilot projects. Practical experience and professional expertise help us address industry challenges and identify effective approaches to the digital transformation of the construction sector,” **said SARDI CTDO Roman Komendant.**

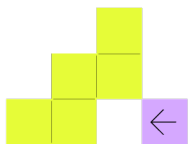
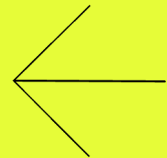
■ Yahodyn Border Crossing Becomes First BIM Pilot Project

At a workshop in Lutsk, representatives of SARDI and UK experts from Connected Places Catapult, Gleeds and Mott MacDonald discussed practical approaches to BIM implementation, digital project management and the use of a Common Data Environment (CDE).

The event focused on strengthening institutional capacity, defining BIM roles and responsibilities, improving data management and preparing pilot projects for broader implementation.

The first pilot BIM project is being developed at the Yahodyn border crossing.





RE:Generation

■ SARDI with support from EU4Reconstruction (Stream 2), has launched “RE:Generation” — a youth internship program focused on reconstruction and public administration.

SARDI signed cooperation memorandums with leading Ukrainian universities specializing in infrastructure, engineering and construction to support training of future recovery professionals.

“There is an enormous amount of work ahead — from restoring roads, bridges and housing to implementing modern digital and engineering solutions,” said SARDI Head Serhii Sukhomlyn.

Applications for the first cohort will open shortly, with placements planned at SARDI offices in Kyiv, Odesa, Lviv and Ivano-Frankivsk regions.

Higher education institutions were represented by:

- **Oleksandr Hryshchuk**, Rector of the National Transport University;
- **Roman Korzh**, Vice-Rector for Institutional Development at Lviv Polytechnic National University;
- **Mykhailo Bezuhlyi**, First Vice-Rector of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute;
- **Ihor Chudyk**, Rector of the Ivano-Frankivsk National Technical University of Oil and Gas;
- **Oleksandr Kovalchuk**, Vice-Rector for Research and Innovation Development at the Kyiv National University of Construction and Architecture;
- **Serhii Dziuba**, Rector of the Odesa State Academy of Civil Engineering and Architecture;
- **Anatolii Kovrov**, First Vice-Rector of the Odesa State Academy of Civil Engineering and Architecture

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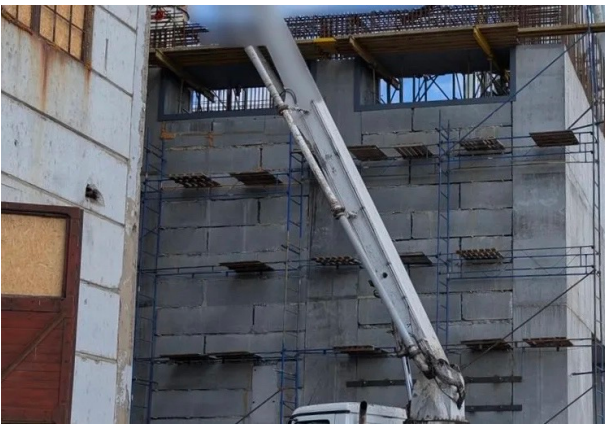
KULEBA, SUKHOMLYN REVIEW CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND LOGISTICS PROJECTS IN KHARKIV REGION



■ Deputy Prime Minister for Restoration Oleksii Kuleba and SARDI Head Serhii Sukhomlyn visited Kharkiv region to review critical infrastructure protection projects, military logistics routes and preparations for the upcoming heating season.

Construction of protective engineering structures at critical infrastructure sites is progressing, with several projects nearing completion ahead of winter. The delegation also inspected key transport routes, including roads supporting military logistics.

According to SARDI, more than 670,000 square metres of road surface have already been restored across Kharkiv region. The next phase will focus on frontline roads identified jointly with the General Staff as priorities for defence and logistics needs.

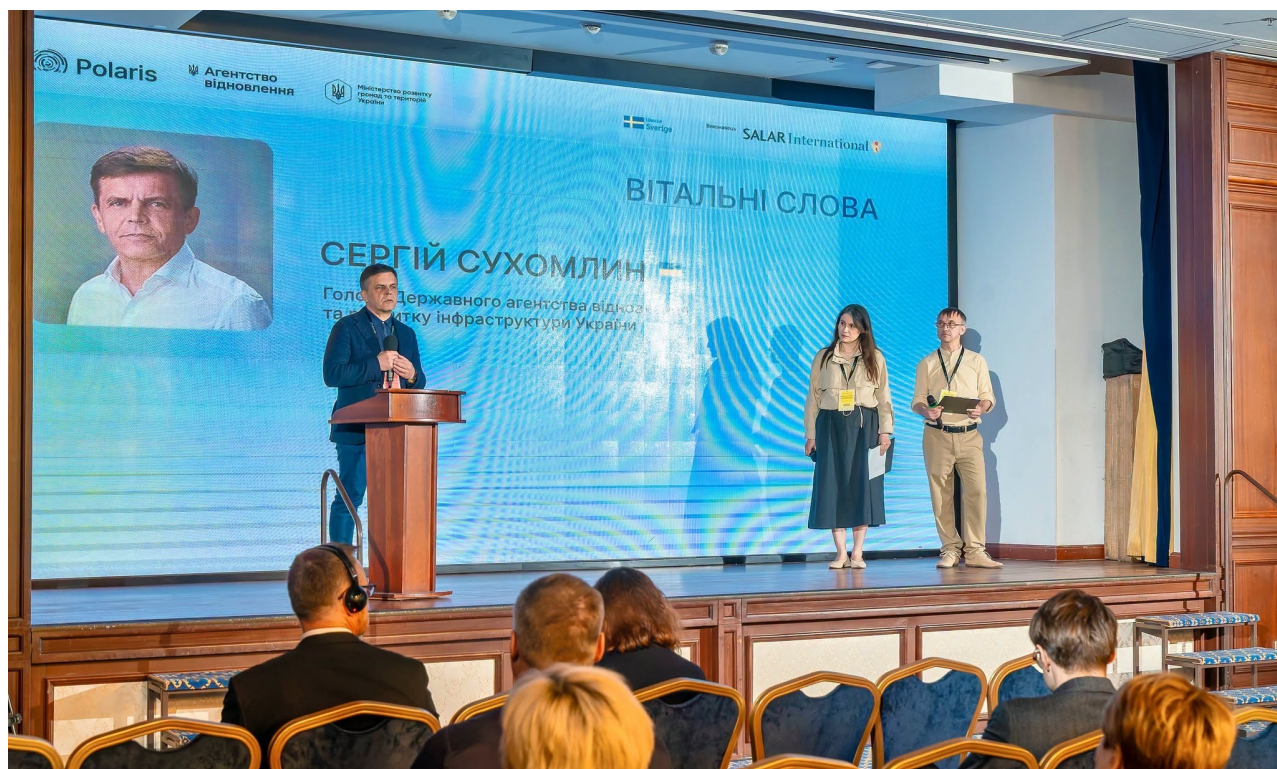


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“Despite constant air raid alerts and shelling, work continues. Some of the projects are already nearing completion. We are paying particular attention to roads and bridges,” **said Serhii Sukhomlyn.**

SYNCHRONISE TO REBUILD: FROM RESILIENCE PLANS TO INVESTMENT PLANNING



■ On 28 May, in Kyiv, the Polaris Programme "Supporting Multilevel Governance in Ukraine", together with SARDI and in partnership with the Ministry for Development of Communities and Territories of Ukraine, held a conference on strategic approaches to recovery.

"When war is ongoing, implementing any project carries risks. But when we talk about Resilience Plans — this is the foundation. It is about communities' survival and their ability to ensure people a normal life even in the most challenging conditions. The Ministry of Development and the Agency for Restoration, together with the Cabinet of Ministers, have developed this strategic vision — and it is important that this is not merely a document. The Government has already adopted a number of amendments to Cabinet Resolutions that simplify the mechanisms for installing cogeneration units, block-modular boiler houses, and other energy resilience solutions. A dedicated law is also needed — one that would bring all these mechanisms together into a single viable system," said Serhii Sukhomlyn, Head of SARDI.

Discussions on the challenges of community recovery took place along four tracks:

- resilience plans for regions and communities, and their preparedness for crisis challenges;
- the new cycle of strategic planning for regional development for 2028–2034;
- alignment of strategic, spatial, and investment planning;
- prioritisation and implementation of infrastructure recovery projects.



RECONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

HOUSING AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

📍 Chernihiv region

■ KINDERGARTEN RECONSTRUCTION MOVES FORWARD

Reconstruction of the Lisova Kazka kindergarten in Chernihiv region continues, including the installation of playground equipment and the development of a shelter for 120 people.

The restored facility will provide modern and accessible educational space for more than 3,000 residents of the local community and surrounding areas.



■ RECONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL CANTEEN NEARS COMPLETION

Reconstruction of the war-damaged school canteen in Ivanivka is entering its final stage, with ventilation systems and kitchen equipment currently being installed. The upgraded facility will serve around 150 students and features a modern dining hall, kitchen and support spaces.

The canteen has been rebuilt to three times its original size and designed to meet modern accessibility and school nutrition standards.

■ YAHIDNE RECOVERY FOCUSES ON SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Recovery works in Yahidne are now focused on social infrastructure, including construction of a multifunctional community center with a shelter, park and drinking water facility, as well as a memorial complex at the former school where residents were held hostage during the 2022 occupation.

Most residential and road infrastructure has already been restored, including repairs to 72 private houses, 16 apartment buildings and the village road network.



■ APARTMENT BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION

Landscaping and accessibility works are underway at a restored five-story apartment building in Borodianka, damaged during Russia's 2022 invasion. Major reconstruction works were completed in late 2025, while finishing of common areas is now 90% complete.

The project included facade insulation, roof replacement, new balconies and upgraded surrounding infrastructure. The building will house 40 families once remaining works are finalized.



■ BORODIANKA HOUSING RECONSTRUCTION REACHES 80% COMPLETION

Reconstruction of a war-damaged apartment building in Borodianka has reached 80% completion. The two-storey building, home to 16 families, was damaged during Russia's invasion in 2022. Most structural and interior works have been completed, including façade restoration, strengthening of the building's structures, balcony glazing and roof repairs. The final phase will include landscaping, restoration of pedestrian areas and installation of solar-powered lighting. The project aims to provide residents with safe and comfortable housing and support their return home.



■ APARTMENT BUILDING RECOVERY CONTINUES IN BUCHA

Reconstruction continues on a five-story apartment building in Bucha, Kyiv region, damaged during Russia's 2022 invasion. The project will restore homes for 45 families. Current works include facade insulation and finishing, as well as interior renovations and installation of plumbing and utility systems.

The most heavily damaged section of the building was demolished and rebuilt, with structural reinforcement, new windows, balconies and internal gas infrastructure already completed.



WATER SUPPLY FOR COMMUNITIES



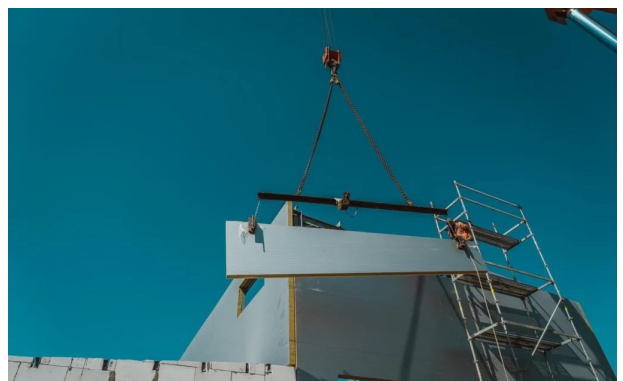
■ NEW WATER INFRASTRUCTURE TO SERVE 28,000 RESIDENTS IN DNIPROPETROVSK REGION

Construction is underway on new water supply and wastewater infrastructure serving two communities in Dnipropetrovsk region.

The project includes trunk pipelines, pumping and filtration stations, and distribution networks that will provide reliable water services to more than 28,000 residents affected by the loss of water supplies following the destruction of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant.

In one community of 35 settlements, works include 8.8 km of water pipelines, nearly 2 km of sewerage networks, and a 1,500 m³-per-day pumping and filtration station. The project is 75% complete and scheduled for completion in July 2026.

In a second community comprising 14 settlements, infrastructure is being built to serve approximately 11,000 residents, including water and sewerage networks, a 1,000 m³-per-day pumping and filtration station, and a modular sewage pumping station.



Works are 60% complete, with water supply expected to begin in September 2026.

The projects will improve water security and ensure reliable access to essential services for local communities.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

■ 215,000 M² OF ROAD SURFACE REPAIRED IN A SINGLE DAY

Road maintenance works continue across Ukraine's state road network. On 28 May alone, road crews repaired 215,000 m² of pavement on 14 international highways and several national roads, with nearly 1,400 specialists involved. The largest volumes of repairs were completed on the highways:

- M-06 Kyiv–Chop (37,400 m²)
- M-03 Kyiv–Kharkiv–Dovzhanskyi (17,700 m²)
- M-30 Stryi–Uman–Dnipro–Izvaryne (13,800 m²)
- M-19 Domanove–Chernivtsi–Terebleche (7,900 m²)

■ BRIDGE REOPENS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Traffic has resumed ahead of schedule on a repaired bridge along the T-07-10 Uzhok–Nyzhni Vorota road in Zakarpattia region. The bridge was restored following emergency repair works after being closed in March due to safety concerns. Road crews repaired damaged structures, installed a new reinforced concrete deck, upgraded safety barriers and road signs, and completed concrete works. The bridge is a critical transport link in the mountainous region, where reliable connectivity remains essential for local communities and transit traffic.

■ WIM SYSTEMS GENERATE UAH 4.9 M FOR THE STATE BUDGET IN APRIL

In April, WIM (Weigh-in-Motion) systems generated UAH 4.9 million in budget revenues through automatic enforcement of weight and dimension regulations. The highest number of violations was recorded in Dnipropetrovsk (44), Mykolaiv (38), and Poltava (54) regions.

WIM enables automated detection of overloaded vehicles, helping prevent road damage, improve safety and ensure compliance among freight operators. The system is designed not only to generate budget revenues, but primarily to protect road infrastructure. Overloaded trucks can damage newly repaired roads within months, while WIM monitoring helps extend road service life by 15–20%.



MODERNIZATION OF BORDER INFRASTRUCTURE

■ EU-BACKED TRUCK HUB TO ADD 600 SPACES NEAR YAHODYN BORDER CROSSING

Construction is underway on a modern parking facility for freight transport near the Yahodyn–Dorohusk border crossing, one of the key logistics gateways between Ukraine and the European Union.

The project is part of the EU–Ukraine Solidarity Lanes initiative and is co-financed by the European Union.

Once completed, the 13-hectare facility will accommodate up to 600 trucks and include parking and maneuvering areas, lighting, drainage, video surveillance systems, driver amenities, shelters and information displays.

Implemented under a design-and-build model, the project aims to improve traffic management, reduce congestion on access roads and enhance the efficiency of cross-border logistics. Construction is scheduled for completion by the end of 2026.



■ MODERN AND ENERGY-RESILIENT BORDER INFRASTRUCTURE: ZAKARPATTIA UPGRADES BORDER CROSSINGS WITH EU SUPPORT

Border crossing points in Zakarpattia region are being modernized under the EU-funded project EU Support to Ukraine: Strengthening Integrated Border Management and Solidarity Lanes, implemented by SARDI's Zakarpattia Regional Office together with IOM.

Solar panels have already been installed at four of the region's largest border crossing points, while other facilities are being equipped with backup power systems.

The upgrades aim to strengthen energy resilience, improve border operations and increase capacity for passengers, businesses and control services.





AGENCY NEWS

FIVE QUESTIONS TO AGENCY ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT

INTERVIEW WITH THE HEAD OF SARDI'S RESTORATION OFFICE IN ODESA REGION



The interview explores how reconstruction in wartime is shifting from simply rebuilding damaged facilities to creating resilient infrastructure and restoring economic activity.

Andrii Donchenko explains reconstruction priorities in Odesa region, resilient infrastructure design, labor shortages, border modernization, energy security and competition for international funding, emphasizing that the key measure of success is the return of normal life and economic activity.

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WORKING IN WARTIME

■ **VIKTORIIA**, HEAD OF A QUALITY CONTROL LABORATORY FOR ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

“Without quality materials and proper testing, there can be no quality roads.”



Viktoriia has worked in the road sector since 2007, rising from laboratory technician to head of a laboratory responsible for quality control throughout the entire construction process. Her team tests materials, designs asphalt and concrete mixes, monitors pavement compaction and ensures that every project meets the required standards.

Before the full-scale invasion, the company operated 15 production bases and employed 51 laboratory specialists. Some facilities were lost in occupied territories, including in Nova Kakhovka and Luhansk region. Despite these challenges, Viktoriia and her team continue their work, implementing European Superpave standards, developing modified bitumen technologies and carrying out field inspections under wartime conditions.

“For me, there are no limits to improvement. No matter how much experience you have, there is always something new to learn,” she says.

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■ **IHOR PETROCHUK**, HEAD OF THE KHERSON REGIONAL ROAD MAINTENANCE UNIT

“When you know someone’s life depends on your work, that’s the strongest motivation there is.”



Ihor has spent 15 years in Ukraine’s road sector, working his way from site foreman to unit manager. Following the occupation of Kherson region in 2022, he and his colleagues lost equipment, evacuated under fire and later returned to restore roads, bridges and dams critical for military and humanitarian logistics.

Today, his team continues to work in one of Ukraine’s most dangerous regions, helping reconnect communities and keep essential routes open.

“People welcome road workers because our arrival means recovery has begun. It means life is coming back.”

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