20 August 2026- BUCC Networking Reception

BUCC Kyiv Networking Event Highlights Eco-Industrial Parks as Catalyst for Ukraine's Circular Economy Transition

The British Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce (BUCC) held its monthly business networking event on 20 August 2026 at the Premier Palace Hotel in Kyiv, bringing together business leaders, investors, and policy experts to discuss sustainable industrial development and long-term investment opportunities in Ukraine.

The keynote speaker, Ted Kronmiller, Climate Financial Strategist, delivered a presentation on Eco-Industrial Parks (EIPs) as a pivotal step in Ukraine's transition from a linear to a circular economy. Drawing on historical precedents from post-war economic revivals, Mr Kronmiller argued that private-sector-driven innovation and investment in modernised, sustainable infrastructure can shift Ukraine's economic progress from linear to exponential growth.

"Eco-Industrial Parks offer a structured, incentivized entry point for investors into Ukraine's long-term redevelopment framework," said Ted Kronmiller. "By integrating investment-friendly policies with targeted financial incentives, EIPs can mobilise capital at scale, accelerate the adoption of clean technologies, and embed circular economy principles at the heart of Ukraine's industrial base."

Mr Kronmiller is a capital markets and climate finance professional who designs strategies to drive value creation with high green impact across developed and emerging markets, including the United States, European Union, Nordic Council, CEEC and BSEC. He develops scenario-based climate-risk management practices at leading international financial institutions to identify, report and manage climate-related financial risk. His experience includes integrating climate and environmental factors into real estate finance products to support eco-efficient, energy-performant and green real estate acquisition, development, construction and operation. He has managed cross-functional, multi-disciplinary teams and designed strategic risk-management frameworks for investment banks, commercial banks, asset managers, hedge funds, buy-out firms and institutional broker-dealers, and co-authored research on the impact of risk-based capital adequacy standards, fair-value measurement and counterparty credit risk at major financial institutions.

EIPs leverage circular economy principles and industrial symbiosis—where companies share resources, energy, water, and by-products—to achieve regional, national, and international policy objectives. The presentation highlighted how EIPs can support:

The Ukraine Global Eco-Industrial Parks Programme;

Paris Agreement Articles 2.1(c) and 6.4;

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the UN Green Industrial Programme objectives;

The EU Green Bond Standard, EU ETS I & II; and

The EU Circular Economy Action Plan, EU Fit for 55, and EU RED III.

The event underscored the role of EIPs in attracting responsible foreign direct investment, fostering green industrial clusters, and aligning Ukraine's reconstruction with European and global climate and sustainability standards. Participants discussed practical pathways for policy design, financing mechanisms, and public–private partnerships to accelerate EIP development across Ukrainian regions.

BUCC continues to support dialogue between government, business, and international partners on sustainable infrastructure, green finance, and investment-ready projects that contribute to Ukraine's recovery and long-term prosperity.

About the British Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce (BUCC)

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