

# VIKTOR YANUKOVYCH: ECONOMIC REFORM

## *A Better Life Ahead*

Since returning to office in 2006, the Prime Minister's efforts have steadily reduced employment rates, boosted capital investments, stimulated the GDP, and fostered privatization. Industrial growth in engineering, construction, and gas and oil production also is on the rise.

Everything about our country reflects our potential: Our geographical position between "east" and "west," our fertile land, our growing democracy, and our determined people. But there is one critical element needed to take advantage of all these assets: A strong economy built on a solid foundation.

**Stability and Leadership Matter.** There are of course many factors that comprise our economy, and therefore many opportunities for improvement and growth. In the recent past, such opportunities were seized for long-term growth under the leadership of Prime Minister Yanukovich.

In his first term, the Party of Regions Prime Minister grew the gross domestic product (GDP) every year, reaching 12 percent by 2004—the highest growth rate in Europe.

In 2005 the Orange took power and their inexperience, inability to work together and lack of stability created serious problems for the average Ukrainian. The lack of leadership caused the GDP plummeted to 2,7 percent, the national budget surplus disappeared, and a massive deficit followed.

When Victor Yanukovich became Prime Minister in 2006, he brought leadership and an economic plan that focused on making changes to improve the lives of all Ukrainians.

In just 14 months, he has turned things around and revitalized our economy. Once again Prime Minister Yanukovich has started to return the government and the people toward real, lasting prosperity through seven key economic-reform priorities. His program for future growth is founded on making major changes to the government which will unleash the economic might of our nation and bring lasting change that will improve the quality of life in Ukraine.



The Ukraine is at a crossroads. Now is the time to create a transparent, world-class economy and civil society built on liberty and opportunity. Together we can attract investment from around the world, create new jobs, grow wages, and protect all civil liberties.

### #1 Independent and Impartial Judicial System

The Prime Minister will protect investor rights through an improved court system, for which all Ukrainians have equal access to justice and due process. One immediate way of ensuring impartiality will be to change the President's appointment of the Chairman of Courts.

### #2 Tax Reform

A fair and predictable tax system is vital to the economic health of our citizens and our country. The Prime Minister plans to simplify the tax code, while lowering both personal and business taxes to stimulate growth and investment.

### #3 Protection of Private Property Rights

The Prime Minister believes in the right to private property, and will work to ensure ownership rights without the threat of unfair expropriation. Intellectual property also will be protected as an inherent part of economic assurance.

### #4 Facilitate and Promote Foreign Investment

Foreign direct investment is rising under the leadership of Prime Minister Yanukovich. Under his economic-reform plan, free trade and special economic zones will encourage regional and global investors in Ukraine. Domestically, tax-deferred technology parks will anchor industrial development.

Leadership Matters. Protect Your Future.

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#### #5 Transparent State Spending

Open bidding on government contracts is the only sensible way to fairly link qualified people with appropriate projects. This, combined with modernized online procurement procedures, will help streamline government spending and ensure transparency.

#### #6 Separation of Government and Business

The Prime Minister will eliminate conflicts of interest within the government and require deputies and civil servants to disclose holdings, salaries and earnings.

#### #7 New Anti-Corruption Legislation

New economic reform priorities will be enforced through strong regulation and oversight of government spending, holding legislators accountable to the people of the Ukraine.

The future has begun under Yanukovich's leadership, bringing record levels of investment and creating unprecedented wealth along with improvements in quality of life.

## Leadership Matters.

These changes can be undone with unstable, inexperienced government. It happened in 2005 when the Orange took power and they could undo this growth again. Don't let it happen.

*Elect an Experienced Team with Real Leaders.*

*Elect Victor Yanukovich and the Party of Regions.*

*Protect Your Future.*