## **NGO Ukrainian Deminers Association**



## 20th INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM - MINE ACTION 2024

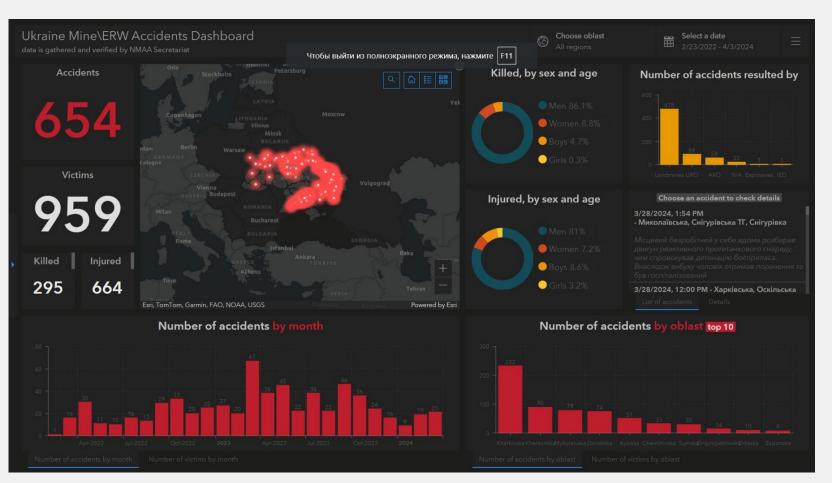
"Humanitarian Mine Action in Ukraine. Ukrainian Dimension for 2024"

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## Problematics





Based on NMAA data, for the period from February 24, 2022 to April 3, 2024 at least 959 (around 10% are children) civilians have been affected by ERW, 295 of them have died.

The largest number of cases occurred in such regions: Kharkivska, Khersonska, Mykolaivska and Donetska oblasts.

The actual figures are considerably higher due to underreporting and limited access to the areas of active hostilities.

It is obvious that with this indicator Ukraine is the **most contaminated country in the world**.

# Strategic goals:





To unite and increase the potential of the best experts in Ukraine in the field of mine action (MA).



To establish Uniform National Standards for MA in Ukraine and to ensure control over compliance with them.



Consolidate the efforts of civil society, the state, the media and international partners to create appropriate working conditions, technical support and protection of Ukrainian deminers.

MISSION: Make This World Safe Together!



Members organization

more than 330 people from all regions of Ukraine

Deminers from UAF, State Emergency Service, State Special Transport Service, profile international NGOs, profile companies for humanitarian demining; veterans of the Engineer's troops; experts of mine action, etc.

# Recognition



- 1. The UDA is certified mine action operator in Ukraine.
- 2. The UDA is a permanent member UN Protection Cluster, UN Mine Action Sub-Cluster, UN Food Security and Livelihood Cluster, Cash Working Group, etc.
- 3. The UDA active takes part in the all main MA activities (meetings, round tables, conferences and more) under international organization (UNDP, PCU OSCE etc.) and (MoD, Ministry of Veterans, MRTOT, MES, etc.);
- 4. Members of the UDA are part of various working groups to solve state issues in MA sphere (in particular, lawmakers process).
- 5. The UDA is listed in the database of the MA organizations of the Geneva International Center for Humanitarian Demining (<u>https://www.gichd.org/en/resources/organisations/</u>).



# Mine Action Operator





From 11 October 2022, UDA success fully passed the certification process in MAC (Chernihiv) MoD and became a certified mine action operator in Ukraine.

From 16 June 2023, UDA obtained a NTS certificate.

UDA is planning to receive all available certificates soon.



Заресстровано в Ресстрі ОС ЦПМД за: № 16 Registered at Record of certification body: No 16

Термін дії сертнфіката: з 16 червня 2023 до 10 жовтня 2025 року Term of validity: from June 16, 2023 to October 10, 2025

Simon Petlyura str., office 4

Процес ПМД: Нетехнічне обстеження MA process: Non-Technical Survey

Відповідає вимогам: ДСТУ 8820:2023 Протимінна діяльність. Процеся управління. Основні положення Comply with requirements of: ДСТУ 8820:2023 Mine action. Processes management. Basic provisions

Сертифікат видано: ГРОМАДСЬКІЙ ОРГАНІЗАЦІЇ «АСОЦІАЦІЯ САПЕРІВ УКРАЇНи», 01032, м. Київ, вул. Симона Петлюри, бул. 10, офіс 4, Україна, код ЄДРІЮУ 42631173 Сегіficate is issued on: PUBLIC ORGANIZATION "UKRAINIAN DEMINERS ASSOCIATION" 01032, Kviv, 10

Виконавець процесу: ГРОМАДСЬКА ОРГАНІЗАЦІЯ «АСОЦІАЦІЯ САПЕРІВ УКРАЇНИ» Performer of the process: PUBLIC ORGANIZATION "ШКРАІМАН DEMINERS ASSOCIATION"

Додаткова інформація: Розширення сфери сертифікації. Періодичність моніторингу визначена у сертифікаційній угоді Additional information: Extending of the certification soger. The frequency of monitoring is defined in the certification agreement.

Сертифікат видано ООВ: Орган з сертифікації Центру протимінної діяльності, вул. Івана Мазепи 18, м. Чернігів 14017, ukr\_ma\_center@dsst.gov.ua

Certificate is issued by CAB: Certification body of Mine Action center, 14017, Ivan Mazepa str. 18, Chemihiv На підставі: рішення щодо розширення сфери сертифікації від 16 червня 2023 року № 05/23р4

On the grounds of: decision on extending of the certification scope No 05/23p4 dated June 16, 2023



## International cooperation











The development of international cooperation is one of the main directions of the UDA.

UDA takes part in all international events dedicated to humanitarian mine action.

There is also experience in organizing an international conference, in particular

conference "Military-Technical Cooperation between Ukraine and Croatia on the Mechanical Clearance. Experience, Status and Prospects", defense exhibition "SECURITY 2.0" and others.



34 signed Memorandums, Partnership, Teaming and Grant Agreements with Donors, State Bodies, Local Authorities, International and National NGOs.

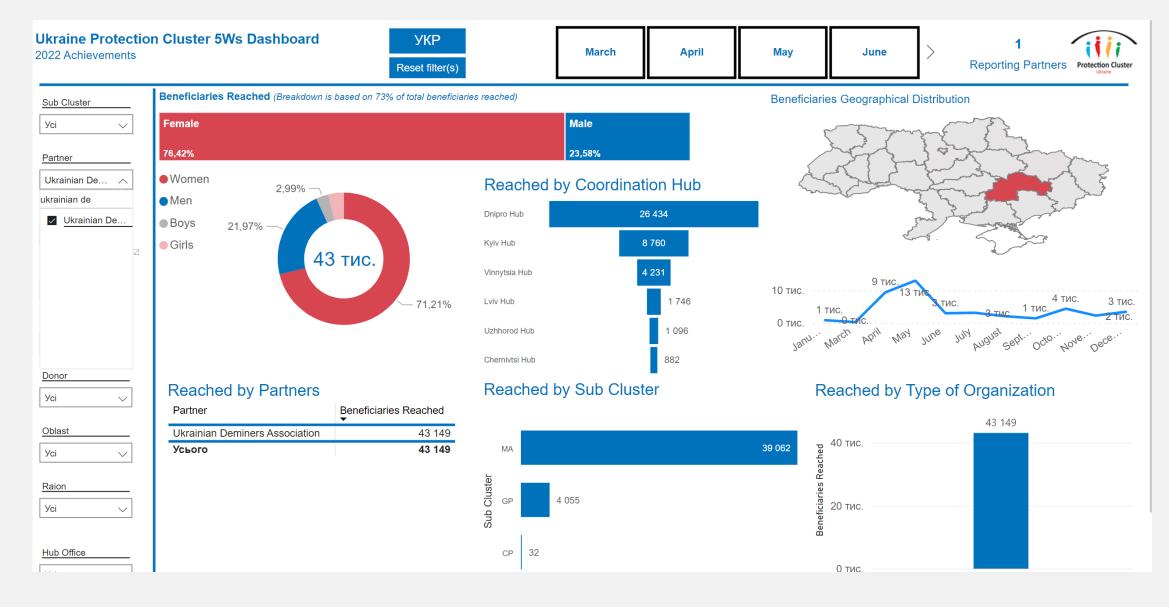
Donors and Partners within completed (ongoing) UDA projects:



## 2022 UDA achievements

## 43 thousand beneficiaries since 24 February 2022 (UN Protection Cluster data)







# **About Ukrainian Deminers Association**





Certified Mine Action Operator



One of the most active in Mine Action AoR

# Main Areas of Activities in 2023

Humanitarian Demining (NTS)

> 2 862 mln. m2. surveyed

Mine Victim Assistance



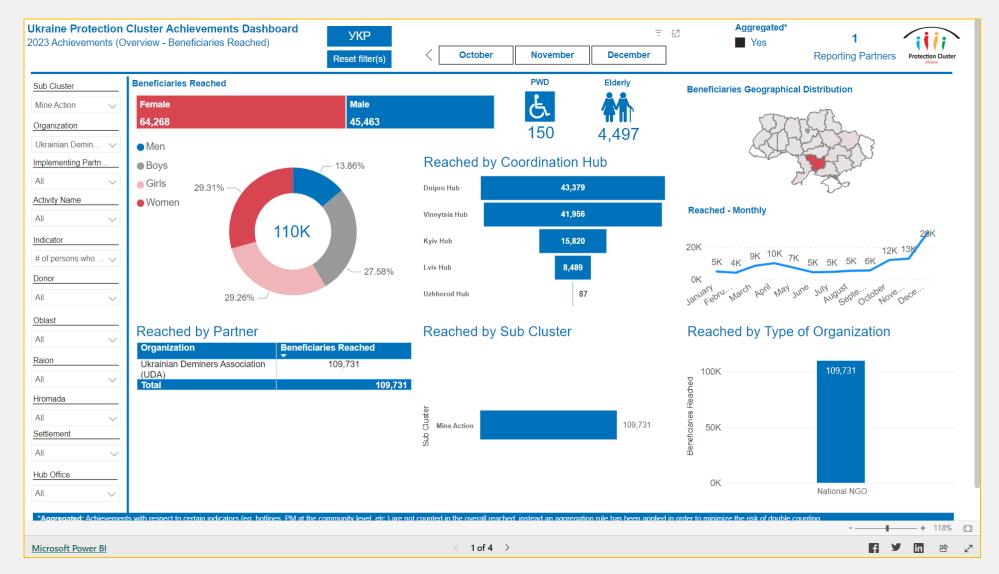
Explosive Ordnance Risk Education



More than 110000 beneficiaries covered



## 2023 UDA EORE achievements around 110 thousand beneficiaries (UN Protection Cluster data)

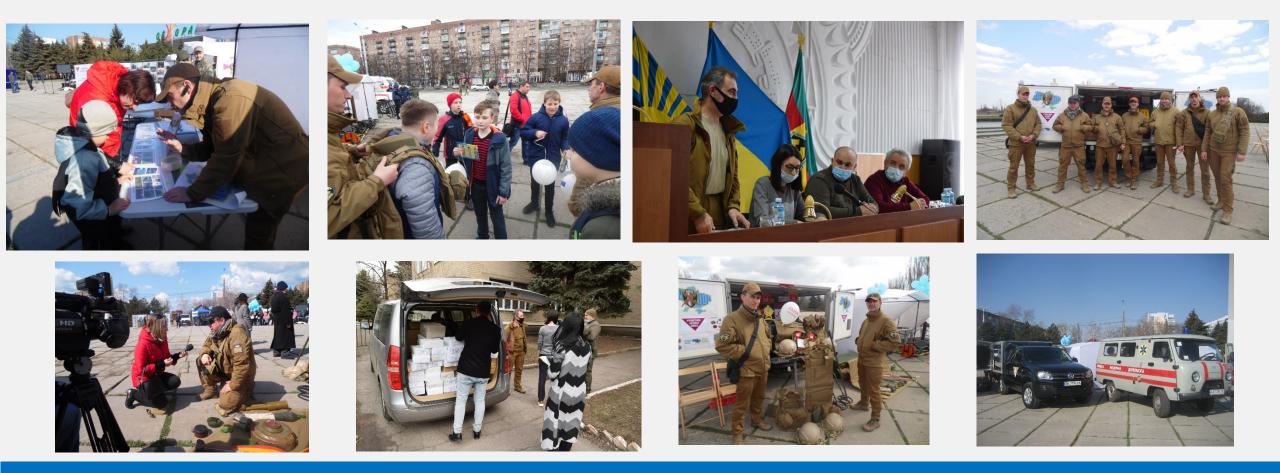




# International Mine Awareness Day (PM)



4 April, conducted information EORE campaign within the framework of the International Mine Awareness Day in different Ukrainian cities.



# Project Management (PM) experience. Development of materials





## EORE MURALS





Krasnograd, Kharkiv oblast



Makariv, Kyivska oblast



Kyiv



UDA is using different approach to reach beneficiaries. Murals and digital campaign are additional tools for our activities.

Narodychy, Jytomyr oblast

## EORE for children





## EORE for adults





## Educational EORE platform for children and for adults with training courses "MINE DANGER"

Навчальний курс із безпеки життя	4406	3290	3875	531
Практичний навчальний курс «Онлайн безпека»	934	438	803	131
Всього дорослих	6903	4317	5956	947
Навчальна платформа АСУ для ДІТЕЙ				
Вукові категорії 6-11 та 12-18				
	Кі-ть зареєстрованих	Кі-ть сертифікатів	Кі-ть дівчат	Кі-ть хлопців
«МІННА НЕБЕЗПЕКА ДЛЯ ДІТЕЙ» 12-18 років	5357	1359	2768	2589
«МІННА НЕБЕЗПЕКА ДЛЯ ДІТЕЙ» 6-11 років	7161	4822	3578	3583
Всього дітей	12518	6181	6346	6172
Всього користувачів платформи	19421	10498	12302	7119
UDA Training Platform for children				
Age groups: 6-11 and 12-18				
	Registered users	Received certificates	Girls	Boys
«EORE for Children» age 12-18	5357	1359	2768	2589
«EORE for Children» age 6-11	7161	4822	3578	3583
Total children	12518	6181	6346	6172
Total platform users	31939	16679	18648	13291

### Навчальна EORE платформа для дітей



#### «МІННА НЕБЕЗПЕКА ДЛЯ ДІТЕЙ» 6-11 років

Інформування дітей молодшої школи щодо ризиків від вибухонебезпечних предметів і формування у них навичок безпечної поведінки

#### Перейти на курс



#### «МІННА НЕБЕЗПЕКА ДЛЯ ДІТЕЙ» 12-18 років

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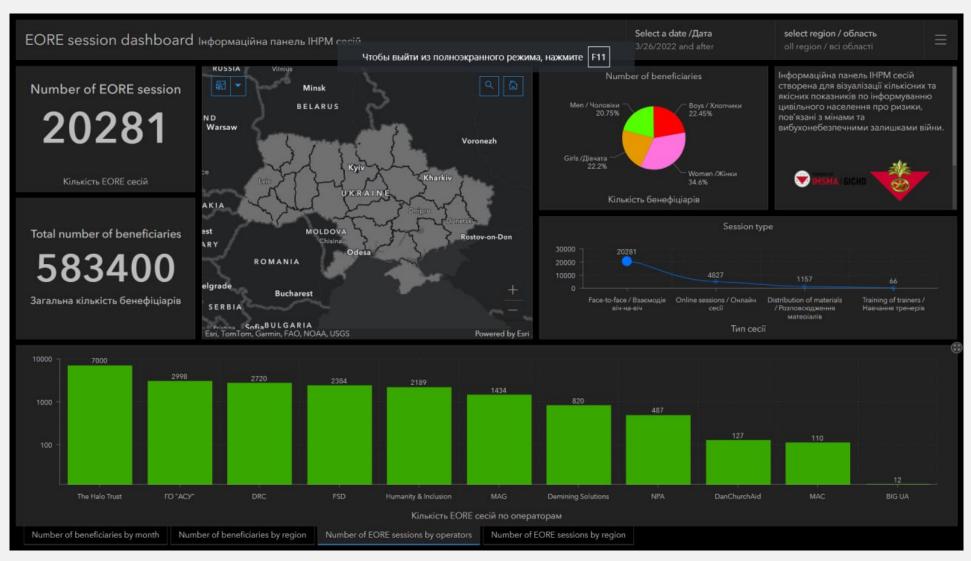
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### "IMSMA – Information Management System of Mine Action"



## Non-Technical Survey



Directly after receiving NTS certificate in MAC (Chernihiv) MoD UDA started non-technical survey operations. Currently, UDA deployed 4 NTS Teams. UDA AoR for today is: Chernihivska oblast (Pryluckiy raion) Mykolaivska oblast (Bashtanskiy raion and Mykolaiv city).

Prepared more than 183 NTS reports. The total surveyed area more than 3 800 mln. m2.



## Implementing partner - Mine Action Operator

Certified Ukrainian mine action operator Demining Solutions (DS) since 2019 is implementing partner of UDA (Number 1 in the list of MoD).

On June 26, 2023, DS successfully passed the next stage of the certification process at the Demining Center (Kamyanets-Podilsky) and received 5 certificates of conformity for three years of humanitarian demining (26 June 2028).

In addition, in December 2023 DS obtained the EOD certificate along with all necessary permissions which enables to purchase, transporting, handling the explosives and conduct the demolitions.







# Current humanitarian demining



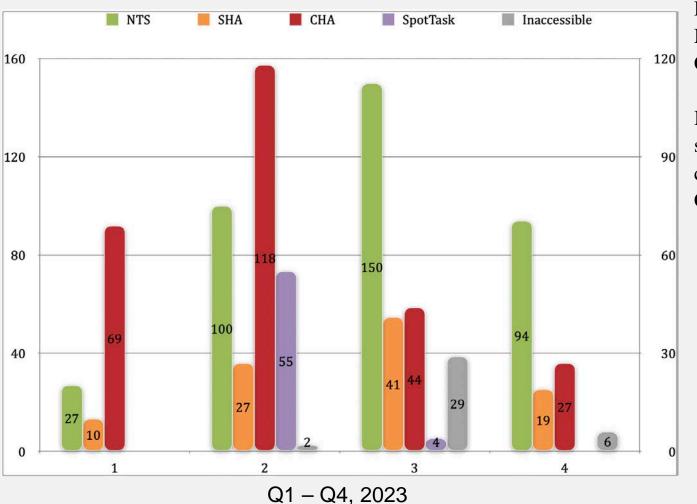
After the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation into Ukraine within the framework of the project from the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund OCHA, the UDA, together with the implementing partner DS, was the first to start the humanitarian demining procedure in new circumstances for our state. On May 3, we started NTS in the Kyiv and Chernihiv regions. From the beginning of June, we began battle area clearance in the liberated territory of Makariv hromada of the Bucha rayon.

Currently, DS conducts humanitarian demining (including NTS) in almost all affected regions of Ukraine and has already released 3 agricultural fields (with a total area of more than 100 hectares) to the Makariv hromada.

In order to improve the training of sappers, continuous training and additional training is carried out, in particular, at the EOD Schools of MAT Kosovo (EOD Level 2, EOD Level 3+) and TetraTech (EOD IMAS 1).



# Operations





During the 2023 year, NTO/EORE teams worked in Mykolaiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Sumy, Kherson, Chernihiv and Kyiv oblast.

In total, more than 1,250 million square meters were surveyed (CHA/SHA), on which 822 NTS reports were completed and submitted to National Mine Action Center.



# Operations





Land release

Since April, one clearance team (10 people) has resumed work in the Makariv hromada of the Bucha raion.

On September 15, 2023, a cleared site of agricultural land with an area of 301,495 square meters was transferred to the owner (Makariv hromada of Kyiv oblast) after the successful quality control.

In total, 1,064 million square meters of land were recognized as "no evidence of contamination" according to the results of the NTS.



## Mechanical Demining





UDA takes active measures to start the process of mechanical demining in Ukraine, primarily based on the best world practice.

Plan for 2024 start the Capacity Building Project for mechanical demining with using of EOD Robotic System.

## Ukraine – agricultural country



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Average approximate number of fields under cultivation that are possibly mined

## 44,79<sup>%</sup> Average percentage of mined fields

(from the area zones where the fighting took place)

# Mechanical Demining for agricultural lands



1990

Постраждало 596 осіб (203 смертельно) Постраждало 130 саперів (38 смертельно) При використання БРК – постраждалих саперів не було.

Безпека

2020

Хорватія



Якість очищення від 71% до 99% після застосування механічних засобів розмінування.



Ручне розмінування

50м² - 1 день роботи сапера

4000-6000м² - зміна в 5 годин Обстеження сапером – 400-500м² за зміну 1990

- 596 people suffered (203 fatally injured)
- 130 deminers suffered (38 fatally injured)
- During employment of EOD robotics systems no victims within deminers.

2020

Croatia

2 Land processing

Safety

#### **quality** quality after mechanical clearance - from 71%

Clearance quality after mechanical clearance - from 71% to 99%.



Speed and efficiency

Manual clearance

50м<sup>2</sup> - during 1 deminer's working day Mechanical clearance

 $4000-6000 \text{ m}^2$  - 5 hours shift

Post-clearance survey – 400-500m<sup>2</sup> per shift

# Mechanical Demining for agricultural lands



Збільшення ефективності/збільшення фінансового навантаження на операторів та Державу

Закупівля БРК для завдань гуманітарного розмінування

Навчання та підготовка вузькоспеціалізованих фахівців

Сертифікація та контроль якості

Логістика, утримання, зберігання, технічне обслуговування, ЗІП, менторінг, тощо

Довготривала програма підтримки процесу механічного та Оператор ручного розмінування Increased efficiency/ additional financial pressure on operator and State

Purchasing of EOD robotics system for humanitarian demining

Education and training for highly specialized personnel

Certification and quality control

Logistics, maintenance, storage, technical service, spare parts, mentoring. etc.

Long-term mechanical and manual clearance support program State Operator Internationa I partner





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