

# CONSEQUENCES OF UKRAINE SIGNING AN ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT WITH THE EUROPEAN UNION

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European integration of Ukraine is used in political rhetoric by almost all political forces. But many citizens of Ukraine perceive European integration as a purely political matter, the subject of international negotiations. However, the real European integration for the internal development of the country, improving the lives of ordinary people. European integration — is when the economy is working for the society where everybody are equal before the law, when the state cares about the environment and closely monitors the quality of food and budget costs are incurred as economical and in the public interest. Ukraine proclaimed the course of European integration and therefore is appropriate to consider the main implications of signing the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the EU. In general, the following consequences of signing this agreement are:

- prices for most goods (cars, appliances, medicines, foods) will decrease, what will take place as a result of elimination of import tariffs and increased competition;
- will increase the quality and safety of products, including childrens', significantly improve consumer protection;
- improving social protection;
- emergence of new jobs and businesses.

Their creation is expected as a result of improving the investment climate and regulatory environment for businesses to comply with the rules and the EU:

- more serious legal protection of intellectual property; opening of the European market services. Ukrainian companies could make good money on the duty-free export of IT-services or providing transportation services in the EU;

- EU will support Ukraine in implementing the standards more than 30 tracks;

- eradicating corruption from public procurement and more.

So, we can say that the mentioned effects are positive for Ukraine. But this agreement shall continue to be improved in order to satisfy both sides: Ukraine and the EU.

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