



## **Belarus-Ukraine Relations: *Challenges and opportunities in the turbulent region***

Evening discussion  
within the framework of the Belarusian-Ukrainian expert forum

*17 December 2018*

**Venue:** Crowne Plaza Hotel (13 Kirava str.)

**Time:** 18.30 – 20.00 (discussion), 20.00 – 21.00 (reception)

**Format:** moderated discussion open to the media

**Participants:** experts, diplomats, journalists, and students

**Working languages:** English and Russian

**Organisers:** Minsk Dialogue Track-II Initiative, Embassy of Ukraine in the Republic of Belarus, Foreign Policy Council “Ukrainian Prism”, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies and Konrad Adenauer Foundation

**Registration:** To participate, please, register by 12.00 am on December 16 by sending an email to [minskdialogue@gmail.com](mailto:minskdialogue@gmail.com)

The month of December is good time to look back at the outgoing year. What has 2018 meant for Belarus-Ukraine relations and for Eastern Europe at large? What trends have dominated the Belarusian-Ukrainian bilateral agenda and regional security? What new challenges have Minsk and Kyiv encountered? Have they made full use of multiple opportunities of mutually beneficial cooperation in different formats? What is to be expected in Belarus-Ukraine relations in the year 2019?

The event will address these and other relevant questions. It will take place within the framework of the recently launched Belarusian-Ukrainian expert forum.



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