

U.S.-Ukraine Foundation appoints Andrushkiw VP for external relations

WASHINGTON – The U.S.-Ukraine Foundation's board of directors has appointed Vera Andrushkiw as the new vice-president for external relations. In this capacity, Ms. Andrushkiw will formally represent the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation and oversee its outreach efforts. While assuming this post, Ms. Andrushkiw will continue her responsibilities as project director of the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation's Community Partnerships Project (CPP), a position she has held for seven years.

"I am deeply honored to be nominated for the position of vice-president for external relations of the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation. It is exciting to be part of the mission and the 15-year legacy of the foundation and to represent it both in the U.S. and in Ukraine. At this time it is important to explore new directions and options to widen our impact in promoting democracy, encouraging free-market reform and enhancing human rights in Ukraine and strengthening U.S.-Ukraine relations," stated Ms. Andrushkiw.

The U.S.-Ukraine Foundation's board of directors met on August 18 to discuss the foundation's activities over the past fiscal year and planned initiatives for the upcoming year. At the meeting, the board approved Ms. Andrushkiw's new position.

Commenting on Ms. Andrushkiw's dedication to the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation's work, Nadia McConnell, USUF president, said, "We greatly appreciate the many talents and contributions Vera Andrushkiw has made to the foundation. This title

acknowledges the contributions that she has been making since joining the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation seven years ago."

Prior to joining the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation in 1999, Ms. Andrushkiw was a lecturer in Ukrainian studies in the department of German and Slavic studies in the College of Liberal Arts at Wayne State University and the coordinator of Ukrainian Programs in the WSU School of Business Administration for the Lviv Institute of Management in Ukraine.

From 1997 to 1999 Ms. Andrushkiw was the director of the Harvard Ukrainian Summer Institute and was a lecturer for "Advanced Ukrainian for Business." Ms. Andrushkiw has lectured at the University of Michigan, Wayne State University, Immaculate Conception Ukrainian High School and in Ukraine. Elected president of the Lviv Institute of Management International Supervisory Council for 1997-1998, Ms. Andrushkiw served in that capacity until 2001.

Ms. Andrushkiw was awarded certificate of honor by Dr. Yuri Scherbak, when he was Ukraine's ambassador to the United States, for her work in facilitating U.S.-Ukraine relations and in 2001 she was awarded a distinguished scholar medal by the Ministry of Education of Ukraine for her work with the Lviv Institute of Management.

Ms. Andrushkiw received a B.A. (1964) from Hunter College in New York and an M.A. (1966) from the University of Pennsylvania. She is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Michigan.