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Report no.1

UKRAINE AND THE CUSTOMS UNION

Comprehensive assessment of the macroeconomic effects of various forms of deep economic integration of Ukraine and the member states of the Customs Union and the Common Economic Space

The authors of the report indicate that ongoing development of the largest economies within the post-Soviet area (Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, and Kazakhstan) is associated with structural change, whereas the potential for significant economic growth based on raw exports and outdated manufacturing industries is nearing exhaustion. For the first time in the last 20 years, the study formulates an inter-industry set of analytical-forecasting models for the region’s four leading countries. The notable merit of the work lies in the fact that it applies a single methodology to its inter-industry analysis. Taking such an approach has allowed the authors to model common economic dynamics and structural changes, as well as to obtain sound assessments of possible integration scenarios throughout the post-Soviet area.

Available in Russian and English

Report no.2

STUDIES OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION IN THE CIS AND IN CENTRAL ASIA: A LITERATURE SURVEY

This work by Alexander Libman represents a high-quality and detailed critical review of the research literature on post-Soviet integration that has been published in the last 20 years. Being affiliated with research institutions in Frankfurt am Maine, Moscow and Shanghai, the author of the review is a reputed and active researcher of post-Soviet integration.

He tries to look at the subject from both the outside and the inside, which is especially important in the context of the work. The author analysed the major trends of research of the regional integration processes in the post-Soviet region and Central Asia that have been carried out by both the Russian and international academic communities.

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Report no.4

EDB INTEGRATION BAROMETER 2012

The report presents the results of a comprehensive research study of public attitudes towards integration in the post-Soviet space. The report is based on monitoring surveys of public opinion in former Soviet Union countries on a diverse range of issues, such as multilateral economic cooperation, interstate political relations, social and business contacts and cultural interactions. A detailed picture of public attitudes, including the dynamics, fundamental regularities and forecasts of future developments in integration processes, as well as public evaluation of the degree of integration between the post-Soviet countries are presented in the report.

Given the importance of the long-term forecasting regarding public perception of integration processes in the region in question, it is supposed to conduct annual research within the EDB Integration Barometer project. In future, the project can also be supplemented with the study of integration preferences of the business elite.

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Sector Reports

INTEGRATION PROCESSES IN THE ELECTRIC POWER SECTORS OF THE EDB MEMBER STATES

The objective of this sector report no. 15 is to study integration processes in the electric power sectors of the EDB member states: the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Russian Federation, and the Republic of Tajikistan.

The report analyses the power sectors, in particular, changes that have occurred in recent years, key trends in the development of generating capacities and power grids, and electricity exports and imports. It also examines the main challenges to development and the key drivers of electricity demand. The report studies power transit and cross-border trade in electricity, system effects of the national power systems’ integration, mutual investment in the power sector, and supplies of power-generating and electrical equipment. In addition, the report analyses joint interstate initiatives, including the future establishment of a common electric power market, and examine possibilities of introducing uniform technical and environmental standards and a legal framework, regulating the common market. Recommendations are provided on how to deepen integration in the region and foster the creation of the common electric power space, with an emphasis on the EDB’s role in this process.

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Analytical Reports

THE SAFETY OF HYDROWORKS IN CENTRAL ASIA: PROBLEMS AND APPROACHES

This analytical report was prepared by a group of experts of the Executive Committee of the International Fund for saving the Aral Sea (EC IFAS) based on a regional report on the same subject and with technical assistance from the Eurasian Development Bank.

Hydroworks are necessary for the comprehensive use of water resources, including drinking, industrial and agricultural water supply; irrigation, hydropower, fishery, navigation, recreation, and ecosystems maintenance. Central Asian hydroworks that have a direct bearing on infrastructure development bring multiple benefits and ultimately foster regional development. This paper is a contribution to the future development and improvement of national rules, laws and technical documents, personnel training, exchange of expertise, and long-term cooperation between Central Asian states in hydroworks safety on a regional footing.

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Monographs

PRIORITIES OF COOPERATION IN TRANSBORDER RIVER BASINS OF CENTRAL ASIA

V. Yasinsky, A. Mironenkov, T. Sarsembekov (2012)

The natural and geographical conditions of Central Asia give rise to the unique character of the formation of run-off within the river basin, just as political and economic realities dictate its use. The state of the region, whose countries have no access to the sea, entails the necessity of expanding trade-and-economic relations and the strengthening of integration processes. In order to adapt to the changing hydrological systems of transboundary rivers so as to ensure a sustainable and reliable system of interstate water management, there must be improved access to hydrological and hydrometeorological information, including access to the rapid exchange of that information between the countries in the region. One of the priorities of regional cooperation should be the enhancement of capacity and readiness to respond to the impact of climate change and hydrological changes.

The principles of basin management are becoming a major feature of cooperation between Central Asian countries in transboundary river basins, thus bringing together the interests of each state in the region within the river basin on the basis of generally accepted international and legal norms concerning the common use of transboundary water flows. This book presents interest to researchers, specialists, and be a valuable tool for students. Its relevance is also related with the UN International Decade «Water for Life» (2005-2015), the achievement targets of which is essential for the sustainable development of Central Asia.

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