

KRYVYI RIH: REBUILDING AND DEVELOPING IN TIMES OF CHALLENGE



Speaking numbers



180+

Missile and drone attacks

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, the city has suffered more than 180 strikes

3 000

Damaged homes

Residential buildings destroyed or damaged, hundreds of families became homeless

3 billion

UAH of assistance to the AFU

Financial support from the city budget for the Armed Forces of Ukraine

Dozens of public facilities were destroyed, but the city continues to function thanks to systemic support and international partnership

Social support: preserving the community



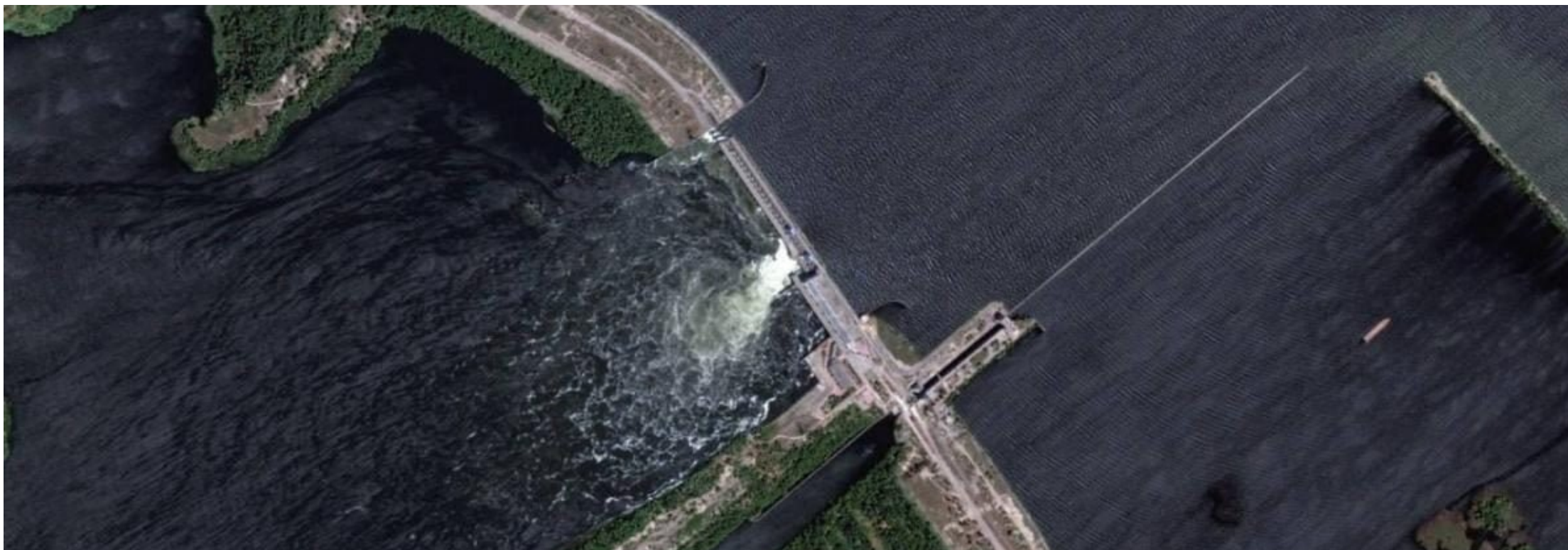
➤ Financial assistance

UAH 700 million of financial support to affected residents.

➤ Innovative solutions

Free travel on public transport was maintained.

Water crisis: challenge and response



The Kakhovka Dam explosion

In 2023, the disaster led to a dramatic reduction in water resources.

Stabilising the situation

Thanks to the government, regional and city authorities, together with international partners, the water supply has been stabilised

New infrastructure

Construction of sustainable infrastructure in line with European standards has begun.

Transforming the city



Economy

Changing the structure from a mono-industrial to a diversified economic model

Labour market

Adapting to new realities, retraining and creating new opportunities

Social dynamics

New forms of community interaction and support for vulnerable groups

Urban governance

Transition to a systematic, planned approach in partnership with international donors

Strategic international partners



Germany through GIZ

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit - partner in strategic planning and building urban resilience



Luxembourg through LuxDev

LuxDev Development Agency - partner in economic and social adaptation of the community

Ecosystem of international support



GIZ (Germany)

Strategic planning and urban sustainability

LuxDev (Luxembourg)

Economic development and social adaptation

IOM, UNICEF

Humanitarian assistance and protection of rights

AFD (France)

Water infrastructure and security

Together, all these partners form a single recovery ecosystem in which Kryvyi Rih has become a reliable platform for international cooperation - a city where real models of Ukraine's post-war transformation are being born

GIZ: Architect of urban resilience



GIZ's focus is on urban resilience - on creating an analytical, strategic and institutional framework that enables a city to systematically withstand the challenges of war.



➤ Analytics

The state of the community, systems, economy, social sphere and infrastructure

➤ Implementation

Selected investment solutions

➤ Setting goals

Priorities and project portfolio based on analysis

➤ Monitoring

Post-project sustainability of results

Strategic documents supported by GIZ



Urban resilience strategy

A document that defined a new architecture for managing the urban system during the war and post-war periods.

District heating strategy

An analytical document to revise the heat supply system to meet the challenges after the explosion of the Kakhovka hydroelectric power station.

Housing rehabilitation strategy

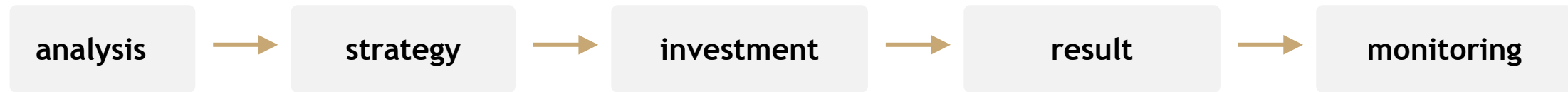
A framework for thermal modernisation and energy efficiency rehabilitation programmes.

Just and Green Urban Recovery Accelerator (JGURA)

A planning tool that focuses urban development on sustainable mobility, ecology and balanced use of resources.

From reactive response to systemic forecasting

GIZ has created an urban resilience architecture for Kryvyi Rih.



GIZ has helped the city move from reactive management to systemic forecasting and sustainable development, forming the foundation on which we build all future programmes.

LuxDev: Regional scale of impact



Kryvyi Rih
agglomeration

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- This is an area with more than **1 million people**. Thus, Luxembourg is working not only with the city, but with the regional system, having Kryvyi Rih as a pole of growth.

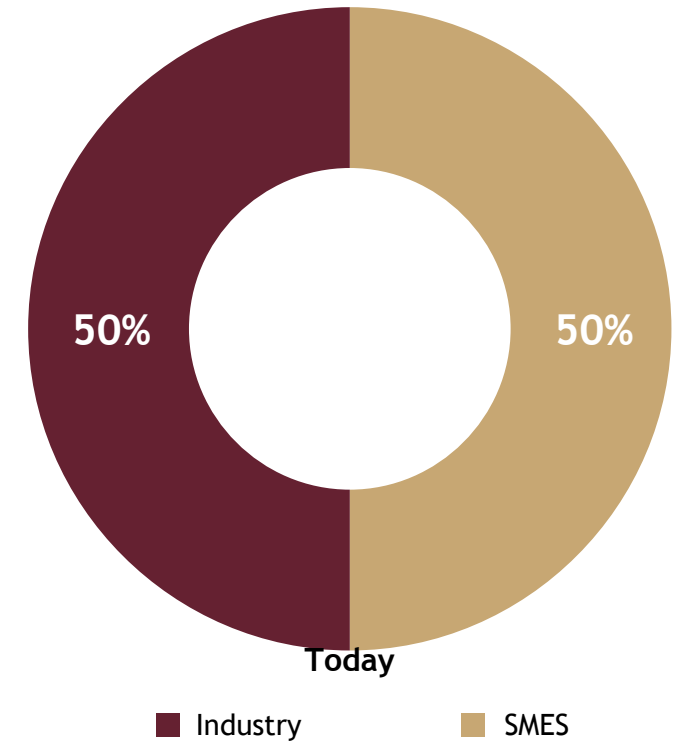
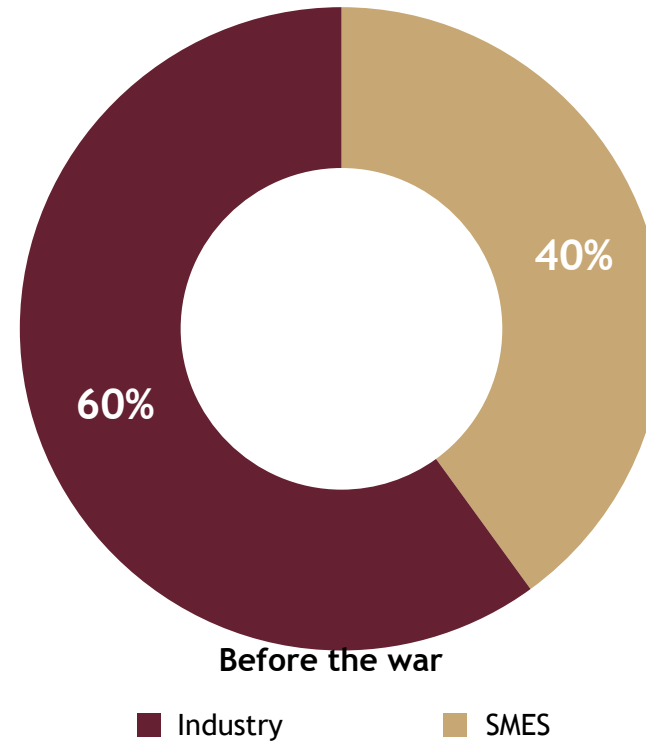
Economic transformation: from mono to multi

➤ Before the war

- Mining and metallurgy formed the backbone of the economy
- Small and medium-sized businesses had a limited role

➤ Today

- SMEs have become the backbone of the economy
- Industry remains important but not dominant



Three areas of LuxDev's work



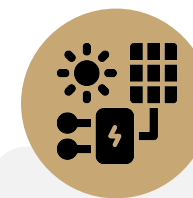
SME development

Diversification of the economy, creation of new jobs, support for entrepreneurship, expansion of the community's tax base.



Labour market and education

Development of vocational education, retraining, training centres, youth programmes and adaptation of veterans.



Energy security

Installation of solar energy, construction of shelters, provision of heating points, restoration of infrastructure.

Energy independence: concrete results

70+

Solar energy facilities
Installed in 2025

54

At the expense of Luxembourg
Exclusive funding from LuxDev

► Facilities that received energy support:

- Schools and educational institutions
- Hospitals and healthcare facilities
- Points of invincibility
- Critical infrastructure facilities
- Shelters in schools
- Heating points



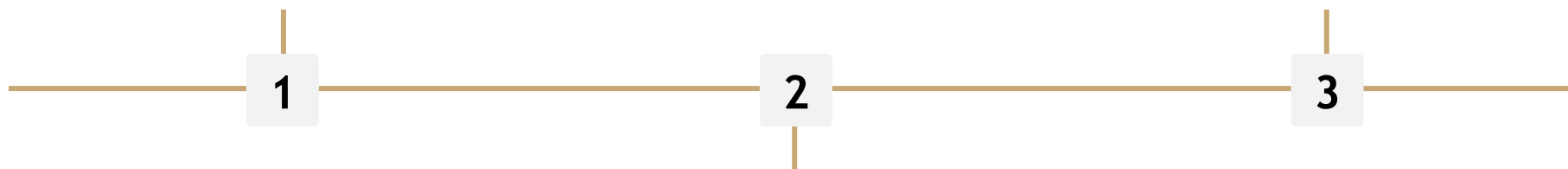
Energy independence: concrete results

GIZ: Analytical framework

Creates strategic vision and lays the foundation for resilience, implements projects to restore critical infrastructure

Result: Full cycle

From strategy to implementation, from institutional reform to concrete results for people



GIZ, LuxDev: Putting it into practice

Complementing the framework in the areas of employment, vocational training, financial support for SMEs, security and energy efficiency

GIZ and LuxDev are not two parallel activities.

It is a complementary system that creates a model for an integrated approach to recovery.

Three key priorities for the coming years



Energy sustainability

Development of own energy sources, smart control systems, and backup power supply for critical infrastructure.



Social resilience and cohesion

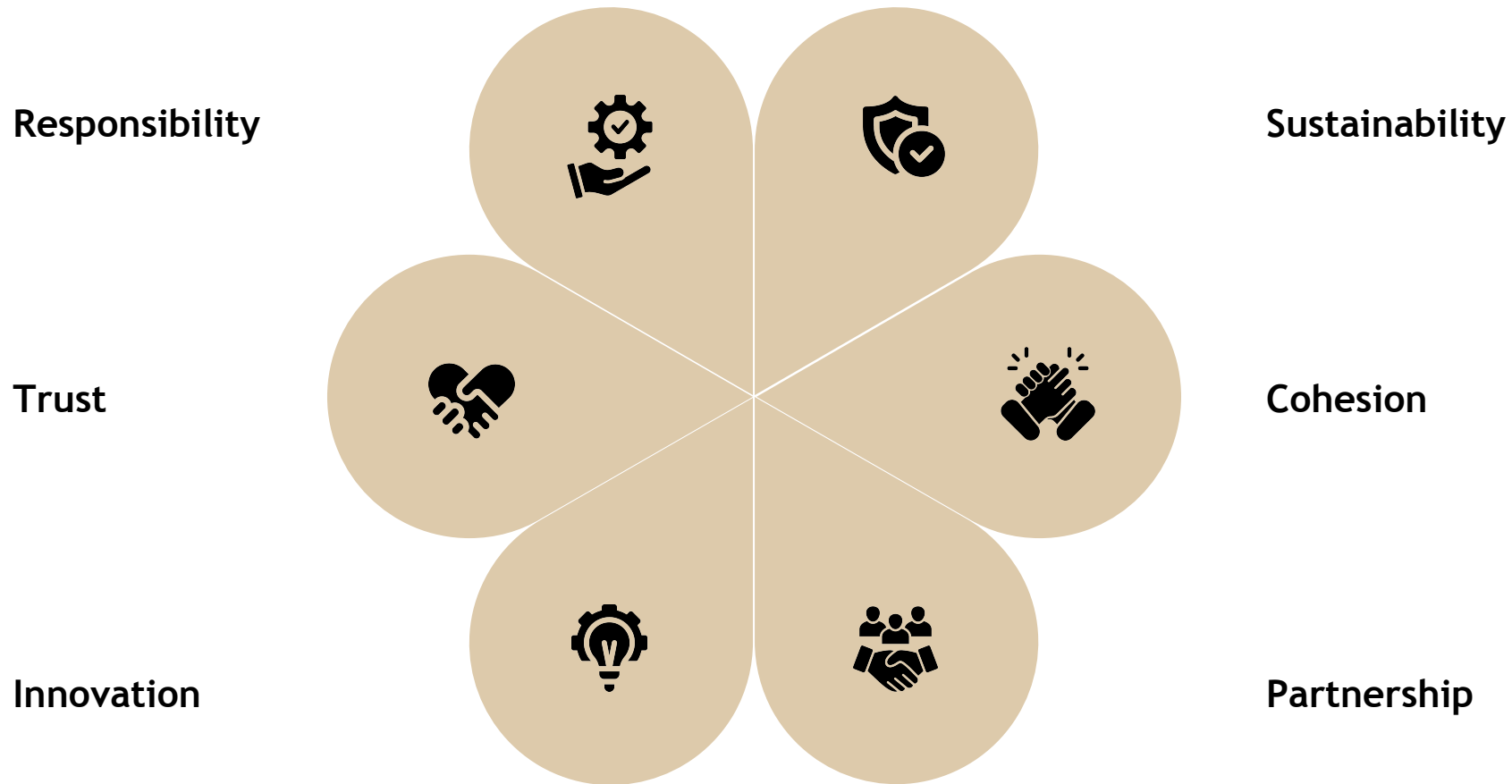
Digitalisation of services, assistance to veterans, support for low-income families.



Diversification of the economy

Development of Kryvyi Rih agglomeration, creation of the Strategy for Regional Growth Poles.

New management philosophy



Today, Kryvyi Rih is not only an industrial centre, but it is also an example of a community that turns challenges into opportunities. We have built a system where international partners are not donors but co-creators of change.

Gratitude to our partners



We are grateful to the governments of Luxembourg and Germany, who are not just funding projects, but helping to create a new philosophy of governance - one of responsibility, sustainability and solidarity.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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