Case Study

Institution
Institute of Higher Education (part of the National Academy of Educational Sciences of Ukraine)

Project Title
Supporting Reform of the HE System to Enable Innovation and Change

Background and Context
Advance HE has been working closely with the Institute of Higher Education (part of the National Academy of Educational Sciences of Ukraine), and the British Council in Ukraine, to deliver a programme to assist reform in the HE sector through leadership development.

Solution
This has involved designing a multi-faceted Leadership Development programme for 40 universities, over a three year period (2015-2018).

Universities across Ukraine were invited to apply for the first year of the programme, aimed at teams made up of senior and middle managers, academics and students.

The programme has been designed to enable the implementation of innovative change for institutions.

Outcomes
As a result, each team has identified an institutional change project and will work with a UK-based institution, funded by the British Council mobility grants for UK-Ukrainian exchanges, for exploration of best practice and expertise.

“The British Council’s partnership with Advance HE underpins our flagship University Leadership Programme in Ukraine. The programme is transforming the leadership of change, and is developing new generations of senior managers, in 40 universities across the country, and has been highlighted, by the Ministry of Education and Science, as fundamental for the reform of the higher education sector in Ukraine. Advance HE’s role in designing, delivering and assuring the programme has been critical to its success.”

-- Simon Williams, British Council Ukraine Country Director
About Advance HE

Advance HE was formed in March 2018, following the merger of the Equality Challenge Unit, the Higher Education Academy and the Leadership Foundation for Higher Education.

Our purpose is to support and enable higher education (HE) providers to put institutional strategy into practice for the benefit of students, staff and society.

We bring together HE-focused expertise in teaching and learning; equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI); leadership; and governance, to help you to deliver world-leading teaching, research and scholarship, your civic mission and student outcomes at your institution.

We do this through the provision of specialist knowledge and resource, externally recognised benchmarking and recognition schemes and a member-focused, collaborative approach.

We are driven by the strategic needs of HE. Through our passion for excellence we aim to create an inclusive culture that champions the continuous development of teaching, EDI, leadership and research. We use an evidence-based approach to identify what works, and develop practice-based solutions.

Our vision is that the world-class reputation and standing of HE is enhanced and recognised for transforming lives, enriching society and developing the economy for the better.