

# Visit of Olena Zhukova and Oleksandr Levit to Galati



For more than 15 years, our company has been forming a team of worthy professionals and, above all, amazing people with the highest values of family and friendship. It is sadly to realize, that exactly the war brought these people and their families together in a strong circle, where everyone has the burning pain of separation, prayer, and faith, where everyone is support and reliance for their neighbor. Today, the largest location of MDEM employees and their relatives is in Galați, Romania - 113 people. The administration of the company provides daily support for the safe existence of each employee and their nearest ones. In addition, it helps with booking, provides advice on current issues, transportation, security at the location and financial support.

So on the 18th of June, MDEM Director Olena Zhukova visited Galati, who at the initiative and assistance of DAMEN enables the evacuation and stay of Romanian employees and their families in Romania, as well as Oleksandr Levit, MDEM HR Manager, who administers the evacuation and

implements a number of related changes, and all personnel matters. Olena Zhukova initiated a meeting with families in Galați. The event turned out to be a real concert of talents of our employees' children: Ukrainian songs, incendiary dances and flash mobs, kind words and emotions.



Olena Zhukova addressed the MDEM colleagues and their families with the speech: "Each of us has rethought his life with the advent of the war. And I am glad that on the 115th day of the war we have the opportunity to meet, that you have been warmly welcomed in Romania and that you have the opportunity to wait for the time when the war will end, and you can return home. We are extremely grateful to the DAMEN concern, which, in accordance with its family values, has shown an extremely generous and sincere attitude to the fate of employees and their families in difficult times. Now MDEM is much more than people who work in a team every day, now it is a really big family.

Today, our company operates in five locations. We are still most concerned about Kherson, where two families of our employees remain, others have been evacuated,

and we look forward to the deoccupation of our neighboring city. There is the most numerous part of our employees in Nikolaev, and the vast majority refuses to leave the city. On behalf of the company, we continue to strongly advise everyone to evacuate. In fact, we also believe that this situation is temporary, but we want everyone could save their lives and health, because it is still dangerous in the city.

MDEM is opening a temporary location in Uzhhorod, so the company invites anyone who wants to return to Ukraine to reunite with their families there. We also have a location in Poland, where DAMEN Gdańsk has hosted some of our families who are currently building a peaceful life and finding employment. Despite the different locations and temporary employment relationships with some employees,

we continue to position MDEM as a whole with the support of our division.

It is a great pleasure to see you here with your families, children, being happy and safe. Unfortunately, because of the war you were forced to part with your family and reconsider your plans for life, but most importantly is to maintain a strong faith in our victory. Ukraine will definitely win and regain its territories! We are much more proud than ever that we are Ukrainians, gratefully accepting sincere words of support from our foreign colleagues. Glory to Ukraine!"

The floor was given to Oleksandr Levit, who noted the following: «Here, in Galați, is the largest location on quantitative structure after Nikolaev where we develop our social projects. If we turn to the statistics of employee's evacuation and their families, so far,

due to our work and DAMEN care, more than 800 people have been evacuated, and 552 people are in the active phase, more than 100 people are in Romania, including 46 children. This is an eloquent testimony to the tremendous work that has been done to evacuate these people."

Probably each of us realized the value of the usual moments of life - smiles of dearest ones, an opportunity to meet with friends and allow yourself to relax. Moreover, it is the duty of each of us today to live a full life, because we and our children are the future of the Motherland, which awaits us at the end of the war - strong, inspired and purposeful. We are grateful to Olena Zhukova and Oleksandr Levit and the visit, the opportunity to share our emotions and experiences and just be safe, waiting for the end of the war and a meeting with relatives! ■



