

President of Ukraine Viktor Yushchenko attends the 21st International Agroindustrial Exhibition-Fair AGRO-2009 in Kyiv

With each year passing the country moves to optimization of the agrarian market, and this market "becomes more organized, open and competitive", President Viktor Yushchenko said at the opening of the 21st International Agroindustrial Exhibition-Fair **AGRO-2009** in Kyiv.

Speaking about positive changes of recent years, Yushchenko in particular noted that in 2008, the largest number of investments, primarily foreign investments, came to the agricultural sector. "Agriculture is a leading sector that receives the largest volumes of investments, from both foreign and national investors", he said adding that this testifies to considerable liberalization of this market segment.



"I see development of agriculture as exclusively perspective", he underscored. Yushchenko reminded that Ukraine ranked the fifth in the world on exports on grain, the first - on exports of sunflower seeds and sunflower seed oil. "I am convinced that we have to strengthen these positions, we have to show that a unique agrarian economy of the country rises from its knees, the country that traditionally is considered to be the granary of Europe", he said.

