Celebrating International Women’s Day 2019

Senior Lieutenant Kateryna Pavlichenko
National Police of Ukraine

Kateryna is Deputy Chief of the Patrol Police Department of the National Police of Ukraine and Chair of the Board of the Ukrainian Association of Women in Law Enforcement (UAWLE).

Kateryna is young and ambitious Ukrainian woman with a degree in Law and another in Economy. She worked as a lawyer and as chief state tax inspector. However, Kateryna always had dream to benefit the country. In 2015 the Ukraine Ministry of Internal Affairs (MOIA) started to reform the old Soviet militia into the new National Police in order to change the militarized mentality of the existing police force into a service-oriented approach. The first stage of police reform included the establishment of a new Patrol Police, which provided an opportunity for Kateryna to implement her dreams. Kateryna did not tell her parents about the decision she made and shared it only with close friends. In 2015 Kateryna joined the new Police service and by 2016 had been promoted to the position of Deputy Chief of Patrol Police. Her rapid promotion is considered a natural result of her dedication and hard work as a Patrol Police leader. In addition to her basic responsibilities she devoted her time to the establishment of the Ukrainian Association of Women in Law Enforcement. In 2017 she led the working group that founded the UAWLE together with other women in law enforcement.

The mission of the UAWLE to promote equal rights and opportunities for women and men within law enforcement in Ukraine. Kateryna together with her associates wants to change Ukrainian society stereotypes by demonstration of their professionalism and passion for law enforcement and building trust making a positive difference in their communities.

Prior to joining the Patrol Police D/Chief Pavlichenko had a career in the legal field including the role of Chief State Tax Inspector. She has degrees in law and economics.

Kateryna enjoys music in her spare time.