



Strategy for overcoming the political crisis in the Republic of Belarus

Correction of mistakes



People's demands

1. Release of political prisoners
2. New elections

Mandate from the people

There have been no fair elections in Belarus since 1994. The permanent dictator who falsified elections and got rid of the competitors have been in power for 28 years. Society is tired of poverty and lies as well as of the corruption that has struck all branches of government, and seeks to get rid of the dictator.

In 2020, the technical candidate of the protest became the personification of the will of the people.

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Technical
candidate

People voted for the joint headquarters as a guarantor of the fulfillment of election promises

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Demands of the
people

1. To hold fair elections
2. To release political prisoners



People's expectations during election 2020

The society supported the unification of the opposition. Everyone saw this as an opportunity to get rid of the dictator and support their candidate.

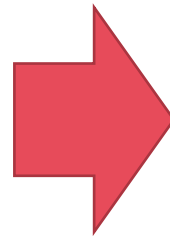


Support from all headquarters was seen as a guarantee of new elections.



By voting for Svetlana Tikhanovskaya, people voted for the opportunity to participate in new elections

Elections 2020



Joint Headquarters

Veronika Tsepalo
Svetlana Tikhanovskaya
Maria Kolesnikova

OFFICE of

Svetlana Tikhanovskaya
Cabinet of Representatives
Joint Transitional Cabinet

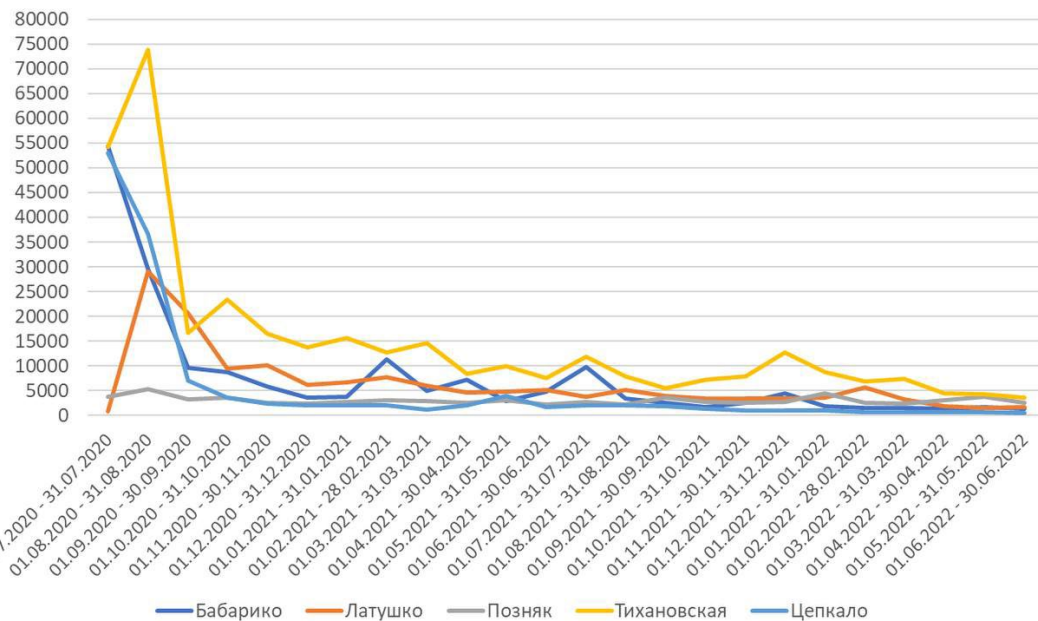


RESULTS 2020-2022

- Political repression
- More than 1600 political prisoners
- 870 people recognized as "terrorists"
- Mass political emigration
- Raider seizure of businesses
- Impoverishment of the population
- Destruction of non-profit organizations and media
- Liquidation of independent trade unions
- Hijacking of aircraft
- Migration crisis
- Occupation of Belarus
- Participation in the aggression against Ukraine
- Threats to regional security

Interest continues to fall

Популярные политики в запросах пользователей из Беларуси
(по данным сервиса Яндекс Wordstat)



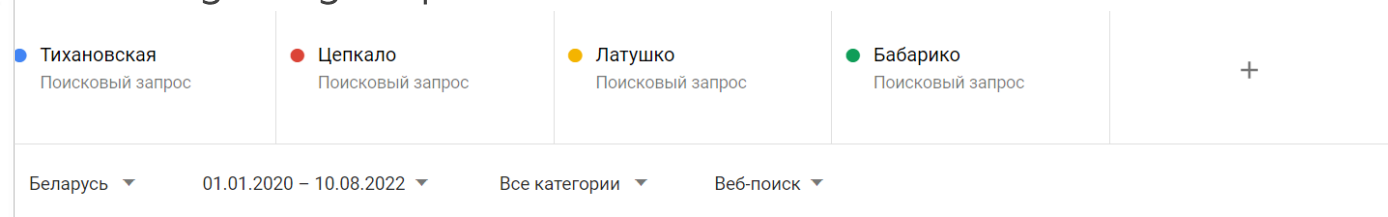
Interest

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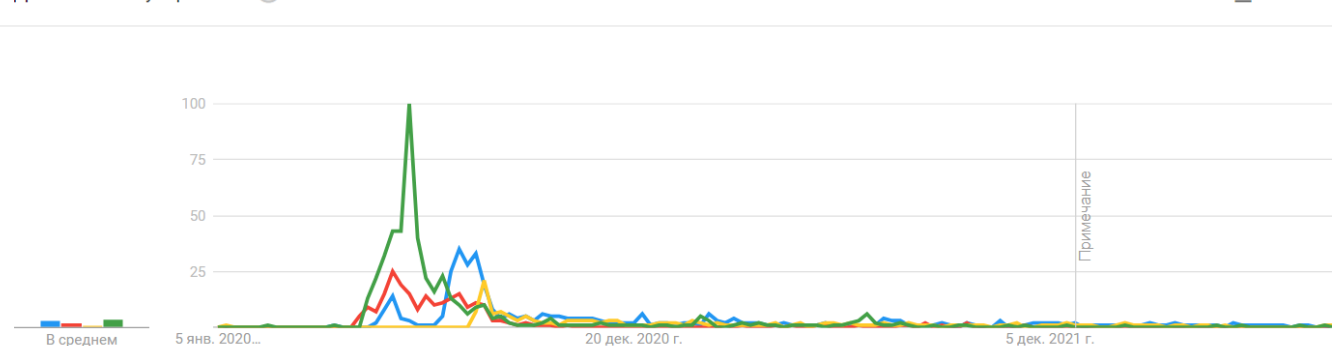
Interest in the person of Svetlana Tikhonovskaya, who declares herself the leader of the opposition, as well as in other politicians is steadily decreasing.

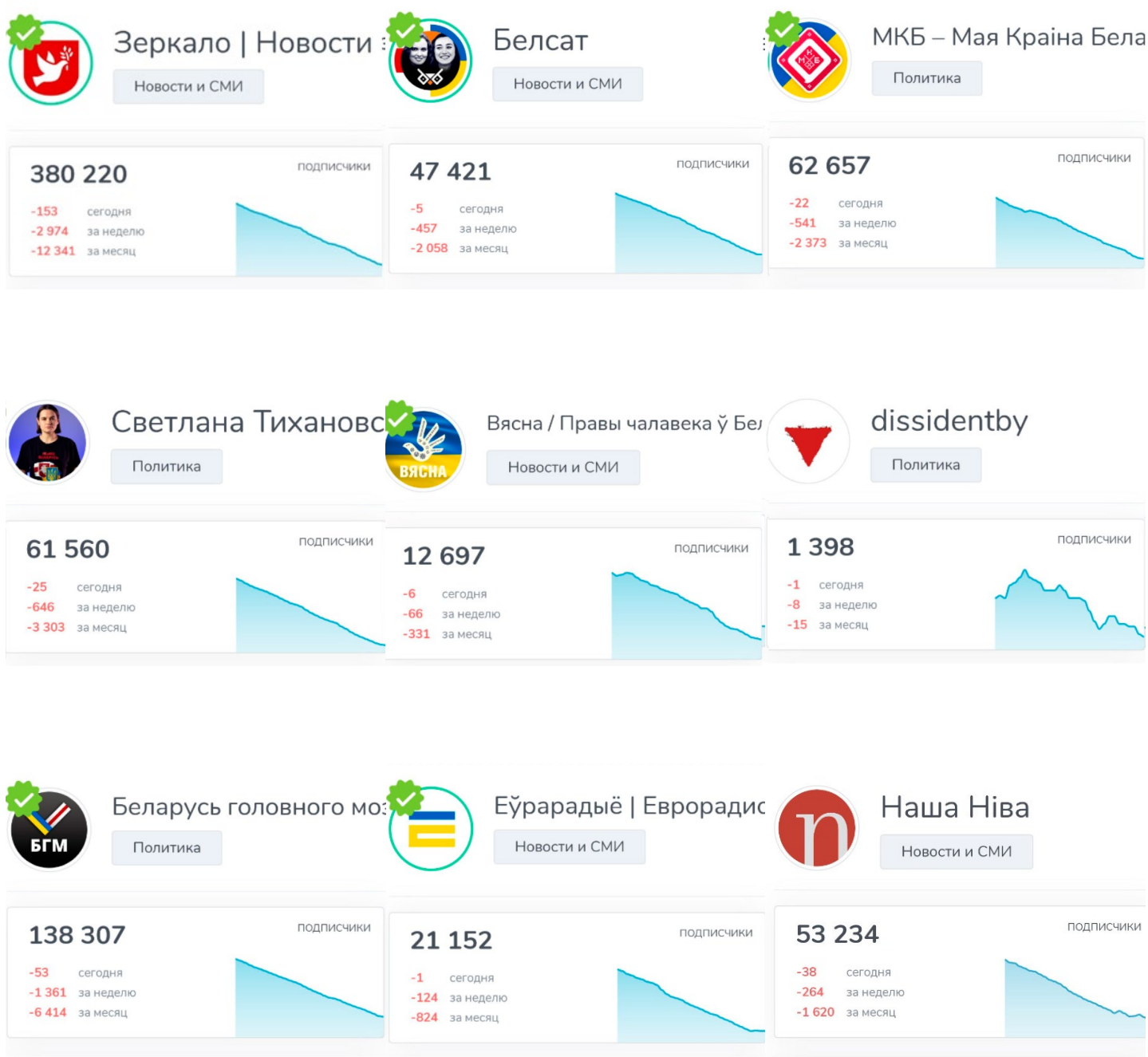
Reasons:

- No results
- Disregard for openness and transparency of actions
- Simulation of activity
- Ignoring the problems of Belarusians



Динамика популярности ?





Interest

Telegram subscribers as of 10.08.2022

Decrease in interest occurs not only in the activities of Svetlana Tikhanovskaya, but also in the media covering to a greater extent her agenda. The drop in confidence, the negative result and the lack of a solution to the real problems of Belarusians in the agenda cause a general decline in interest, which results in the activities of human rights organizations and organizations that help political prisoners.

Key issues

Absence of legitimacy

Illegitimate elections
cannot create a
legitimate entity.
There is not a single
official recognition

Absence of initial trust

Lack of transparency, the
appropriation of decision-
making, discrediting
opponents and blocking
initiatives of real struggle

Absence of unified support

Segmentation of the
democratic movement
by individual political
entities

Absence of results

Lack of a unified
strategy of struggle
allowed the regime of
the terrorist
Lukashenko to
strengthen



Coordination Council

Announced in August 2020:

„Coordination Council is a unified representative body of the Belarusian society. The council was initiated by Svetlana Tikhanovskaya in order to organize the process of overcoming the political crisis and ensure social cohesion, as well as to protect the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Belarus. The Council acts on the basis of the fundamental principles of the Constitution of the Republic of Belarus.»

- Coordination Council is not an elected body;
- Only citizens being in Belarus could participate;
- No real work was done;
- None of the goals have been achieved in 2 years

General conclusions

1

Unity was destroyed

The unity of the democratic movement, which enjoyed the popularity and support of the people and represented the genuine threat to the dictatorial regime, was destroyed

2

There is no legitimate entity

The 2020 elections are not recognized by the international community. The civilized world has not recognized anyone as a president

3

Time, trust and support lost

During last two years Lukashenka has strengthened his power, the population is disappointed, segmentation occurred within the democratic movement



It's stupid to repeat the same mistakes and wait for different results



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We cannot solve a problem on the same level that it was created. We have to rise above it to the next level.

Albert Einstein

What to do?

The right to choose must be restored to the people

There is a demand for a parliamentary republic

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The will of the people shall be the basis of the authority of government; this will shall be expressed in periodic and genuine elections which shall be by universal and equal suffrage and shall be held by secret vote or by equivalent free voting procedures.

Article 21 Universal Declaration of Human Rights



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All peoples have the right to self-determination. By virtue of that right they freely determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development.



Article 1 International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights



Strategy

In order to unite society as much as possible by creating an elected body, the model of resistance to Lukashenka's regime should be reshaped



Consolidation of political forces

A collective political entity elected by the people of Belarus



Consolidation of Belarusians inside and outside Belarus

The people of Belarus will be represented by elected citizens



Consolidation of efforts

Uniting the efforts of citizens inside and outside the country

National Council of the Republic of Belarus

The supreme representative and legislative body of the people of Belarus during the illegal retention of power by the regime in the Republic of Belarus, as well as during the transition period

World experience

- UN Charter
- "International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights"
- "International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights"
- "The Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action" affirm the fundamental importance of the right to self-determination of all peoples, by virtue of which they freely determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development

1945
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1946

National Council Italy

2004
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2012

Baarlamaanka Federaalka
Soomaaliya

1959

Parliament of the Central
Tibetan Administration

The main objectives of the National Council



creating conditions for the restoration of law and order in the Republic of Belarus, building a legal, democratic parliamentary state



restoration of full sovereignty of the Republic of Belarus and elimination of threats to the world community



representation of the interests of the people of the Republic of Belarus in the absence of a legitimately elected government

Tasks of the Council's activities before the overthrow of the regime

1. Return of legality to Belarus
2. Expansion of international support and solidarity with the people of Belarus
3. Consolidation of efforts to combat the terrorist regime of Lukashenka

1

Development of a temporary legislative framework to ensure the functioning of the state governance systems in the transition period, as well as the organization of free democratic elections in the Republic of Belarus

2

Holding negotiations with official representatives of democratic countries to assist the people of Belarus in their just struggle against the terrorist regime that poses a real threat to individual countries and the European community as a whole

3

Consolidation and coordination of all efforts of democratic forces both inside and outside the Republic of Belarus in order to use any legal means and forms of activity in the interests of creating conditions for the overthrow of the dictatorial regime

4

Development of the national security system reform project, comprehensive preparation for the organization and ensuring the effective functioning of all elements of the national security system during the transition period

The main tasks of the National Council during the transition period

1

Anti - crisis management
Organisation of the work of temporary state and local government bodies in the Republic of Belarus

2

Protection of sovereignty
Organisation and provision of national security of the Republic of Belarus

3

Transfer of power to legal representatives
Organisation and holding of a referendum, as well as free democratic elections of authorities with the mandatory involvement of independent international observers

The transition period is a time period during which free and democratic elections of new authorities in the Republic of Belarus will be organized and held

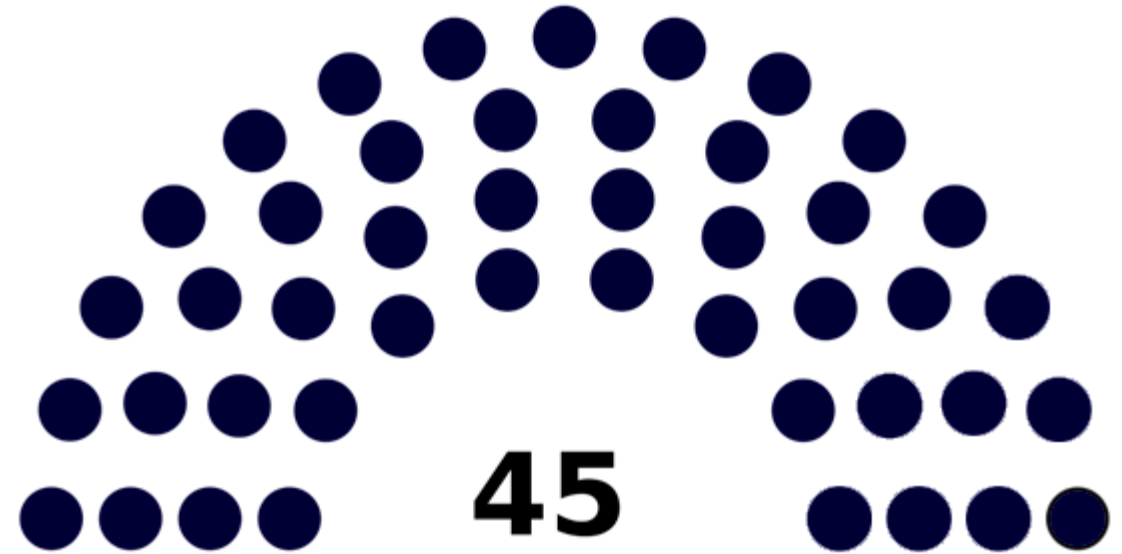
Structure of the National Council

Term of office: 2 years or at the end of the transition period

Citizens of the Republic of Belarus reaching the age of 18

Committees:

1. On the development of civil society and constitutional reform
2. On the national security
3. Economics and finance committee
4. International affairs committee
5. On human rights, release and rehabilitation of political prisoners
6. and others (if necessary)



Legitimacy

Three pillars of the official recognition of the National Council of the Republic of Belarus

Independent platform

Transparency tool

Participation of experts and international observers

Assistance in the preparation and control at all stages of the elections

Participation of citizens of Belarus

Source of true legitimacy



Maximum accountability and transparency



PEOPLE

Citizens will be involved in the process of preparation and participation in the elections



EXPERTS

Experts and international observers will be involved in the preparation and conduct of the elections in order to certify the process itself and the criteria for the validity of the elections



PLATFORM

The voting procedure and the platform used will be selected based on the criteria of international recognition and independence



Trust and support

Focus on engagement

Every citizen can be involved in the process of changes in Belarus

Citizens will be able to submit their initiatives and bills to the Parliament



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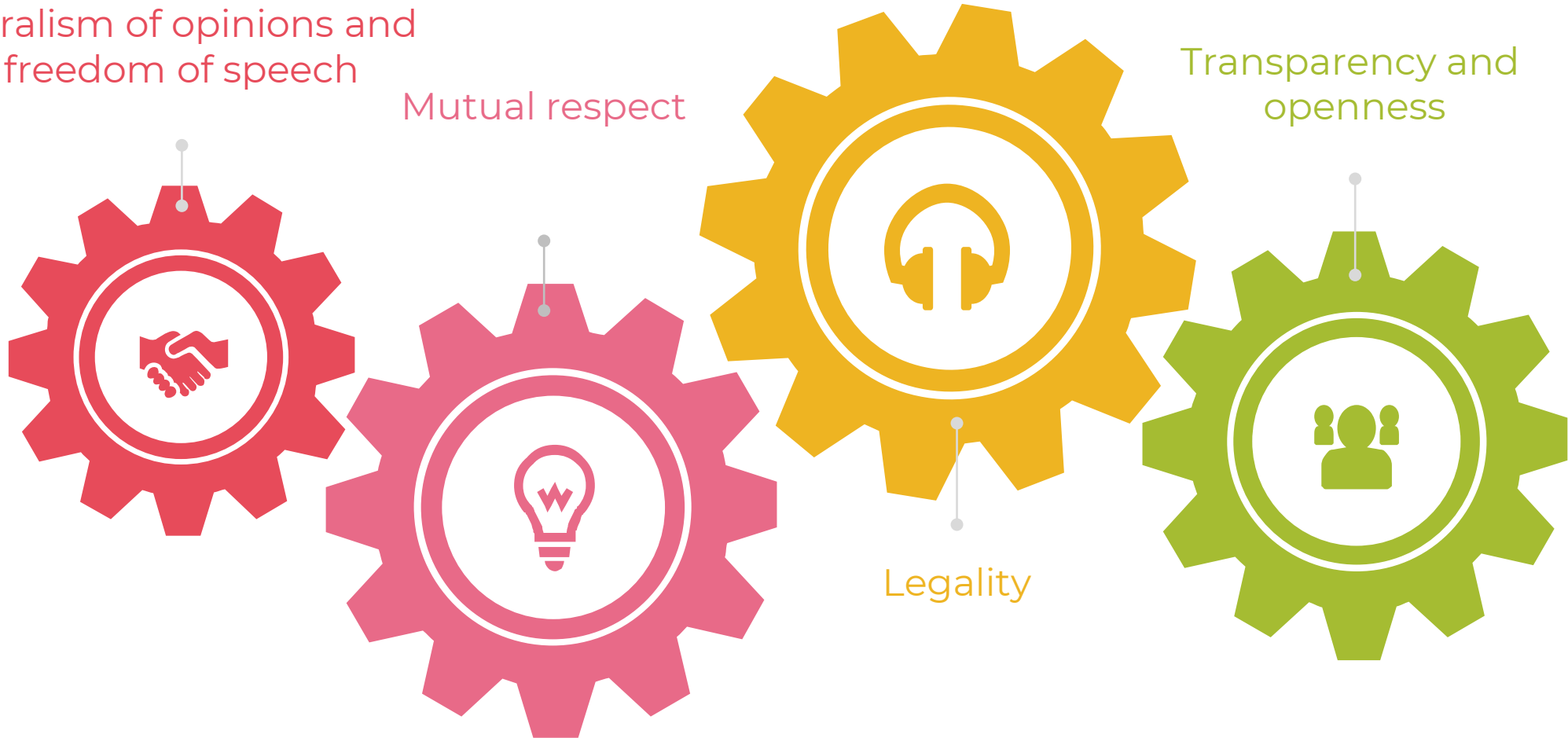
A product born by joint efforts, in the creation of which everyone will participate, will be valuable to any individual of this group in particular, and therefore will subordinate all of us to common goals and principles

Principles of activity of the democratic forces of Belarus

Pluralism of opinions and
freedom of speech

Mutual respect

Transparency and
openness



Election procedure



Calling of elections

Formation of the election commission, invitation of international observers



Nomination and registration of candidates



Media and election campaigning

Involvement of citizens in the election process



Online voting

Independent foreign platform



Publication of the results

Assessment of public and international observers



We **will work together**
step by step on the
result that will suit the
majority

Addressing key issues

Legitimacy

Official recognition among the world community and the people of Belarus

Trust

Will be built in the process of creating a subject of legitimacy by joint efforts

Support

Parliamentary elections by definition presuppose maximum representation of the people

Effectiveness

All efforts of the society will be aimed at achieving a common goal

Necessary resources and support



Support of international organizations, governments, companies and citizens to conduct elections based on international standards



Choosing an independent trusted platform for conducting online elections



Involvement of international observers and experts for consultations and subsequent independent assessment of the elections



Recognition of the National Council as a legitimate body representing the interests of the people of Belarus as a result of the election



Resource for the functioning of the National Council, which will be formed during the election

Why postpone the application of the best practices to build Belarus of the Future, if you and I can start doing it now?



We invite you to join the group to develop the procedure for the preparation, organization and conduct of the election campaign, as well as the formation of election commissions at all levels





Thank you very much

We look forward to your
active participation in the
discussion

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