

Dear colleagues,

With this 15<sup>th</sup> issue of our Newsletter we inform you about the **winners of our annual PhD Thesis Presentation Contest 2018**, and as always, provide you with a digest of the latest news and selected funding opportunities related to academic cooperation with Ukraine.

With kind regards,

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*Managing Director, the German-Ukrainian Academic Society/ Research Development Manager, MDC, Berlin*

*Professor Olga Garaschuk*

*Chair of the Department of Neurophysiology, Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen*

Шановні колеги!

У цьому числі ми оголошуємо переможців нашого чергового **конкурсу презентацій аспірантів 2018** та, як завжди, хочемо привернути Вашу увагу до деяких цікавих новин та актуальних грантових пропозицій, пов'язаних з науковою співпрацею з Україною.

З найкращими побажаннями,

Sehr geehrte Kolleginnen und Kollegen,

Mit dieser 15. Ausgabe möchten wir Sie über die Gewinner des **des Doktoranden-Vortragswettbewerbs 2018** informieren, sowie, wie immer, Hinweise zu aktuellen Fördermöglichkeiten und Veranstaltungen, die sich auf die akademische Zusammenarbeit mit der Ukraine beziehen, zukommen lassen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

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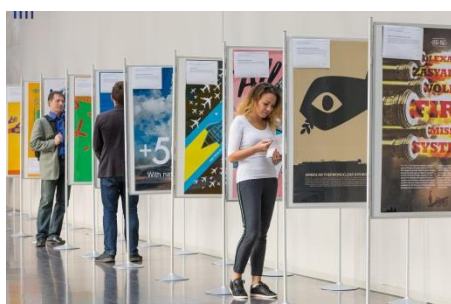
## COMMUNITY CORNER

### Highlights of our Annual Meeting 2018



*Some meeting highlights (Dresden, 4 October 2018): Welcome remarks delivered by Prof. Bernd Büchner (Scientific Director of the Leibniz Institute for Solid State and Materials Research, IFW Dresden); Winner of the PhD Contest Mariia Terentieva (University of Cambridge, UK); Dr Iryna Tybinka (Minister-Councillor of the Embassy of Ukraine in the Federal Republic of Germany) and Prof. Olga Garaschuk (President of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society) at the Exhibition. Copyright: Jürgen Lösel/ Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V.*

It is often said science knows no borders and international cooperation is an essential element of modern research enterprise. The German-Ukrainian Academic Society has been established in Berlin two years ago as a grass-roots organization of engaged researchers with the main goal of fostering bilateral academic cooperation. Starting with 16 enthusiasts from 10 German cities, the society membership has now almost tripled and its representatives are active in different areas of sciences and humanities in 22 cities both in Germany and in Ukraine. Some 20 researchers gathered in Dresden on the 4-5 of October 2018 for the society's second annual meeting, organized under the auspices of the Saxon State Ministry for Higher Education, Research and the Arts. Interested members of local academic community and general public joined in for the public part of this event.



*At the exhibition preview. Copyright: Jürgen Lösel/ Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V.*

The meeting started with a very special highlight – a preview of the poster exhibition **“50 Inventions Bestowed by Ukraine to the World”**, kindly provided by the Ukraine Crisis Media Center and supported by the Embassy of Ukraine in the Federal Republic of Germany, which also funded the translation and publishing of the accompanying book. **Dr Ronald Werner** (Head of the Department of Higher Education Institutions at the Saxon State Ministry for Higher Education, Research and the Arts) welcomed the gathering and stressed the positive role Ukrainian researchers and students play in Saxony. **Professor Bernd Büchner** (Scientific

Director of the Leibniz Institute for Solid State and Materials Research (IFW Dresden)) presented a particularly successful bilateral collaboration between the IFW Dresden and Kyiv Academic University (KAU): **the German-Ukrainian Excellence Center entitled “Topological order of electrons in solids: New materials, Phenomena & application Concepts” (UKRATOP)**. This large-scale collaboration has recently been identified for support as one of two pilot projects supported with €1 million for four years by the German Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF). Moreover, this fruitful partnership ideally complements activities of the IFW Dresden within the **Cluster of Excellence ct.qmat**, which has just won funding by the German Research Foundation



(DFG). Next, **Dr Iryna Tybinka** (Minister-Counsellor of the Embassy of Ukraine in the Federal Republic of Germany), has extended her welcome to the participants, stressed the importance of Germany as a leading cooperation partner for Ukrainian researchers and officially launched the exhibition.

**The Final of the annual PhD Thesis Presentation Contest**, which is traditionally supported by the Embassy of Ukraine, forms an essential part of the annual meeting of the society and was held for the third time. With this contest the society promotes aspiring PhD candidates and foster academic cooperation with Ukraine. The contestants are either Ukrainians carrying out their PhD research abroad, or are involved in a bi- or multi-lateral collaborative research projects with Ukrainian scientists, or whose research topic is related to Ukraine. This year 25 candidates applied from Austria, Germany, Poland, Portugal, the UK and Ukraine. Out of the six peer-review selected finalists four candidates from Germany, the UK and Ukraine took part in the Final presentation round, with a challenge to present their PhD research in just five minutes. At the PhD Contest 2018 two contestants were selected as winners:

- **Mariia Terentieva**, University of Cambridge, UK: “Internet as Public Self-Service Media: Exploring Digital Civil Society in Post-Maidan Ukraine”, **the first place**;
- **Anna Tyutyunnykova**, OncoRay-National Center for Radiation Research in Oncology, Dresden, Germany: “Prostate Cancer: Kills the Enemy with X-rays using its food supply”, **the second place**.



*Members of the PhD Contest Committee and contest's finalists (from left to right): Prof. Matthias Eppe (Univ. of Duisburg-Essen/ Vice-President of the Society, Dr Denys Makarov (HZDR/ Head of the Committee), Mariia Terentieva (Univ. of Cambridge, 1<sup>st</sup> place), Anna Tyutyunnykova (OncoRay-National Center for Radiation Research in Oncology, Dresden, 2<sup>nd</sup> place), Oksana Lebedivna (National Univ. of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy/ Yuchymenko Family Doctoral School, Kyiv), Vitalii Mutsenko (Leibniz Univ. Hannover), Prof. Olga Garaschuk (Univ. of Tübingen/ President of the Society), Dr Oksana Seumenicht (MDC, Berlin/ Managing Director of the Society). 4 October 2018, Dresden.*

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As a part of the reward all the contest finalists were offered an opportunity to take part in an accompanying dedicated **intensive CV and grant writing workshop**, specially organized by the society for its junior members. In addition, the winners received the monetary award of €300 for the first and €200 for the second place, which has been endowed by **Nomad Bioscience GmbH**. This highly innovative biotechnology company sponsors this contest from its beginnings. It was founded and is directed by **Professor Yury Gleba**, member of the Leopoldina and Ukrainian





National Academy of Sciences among his many other achievements, and an active member of the Society.



*Lecture of Prof. Jochen Fornasier,  
Dresden, 4 October 2018. Copyright:  
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Another genuine highlight of the meeting was an invited lecture given by **Professor Jochen Fornasier** (Goethe University Frankfurt/ Main), also a member of the society. He presented remarkable archaeological discoveries he and his team made together with his long-standing colleagues in Ukraine studying antic city of Olbia Pontike in the south of Ukraine.

The meeting has been concluded by the Networking Reception, where the participants exchanged ideas, visited the exhibition and discussed future joint activities.

Join us next year in Tübingen!

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You can read this report of the highlights of the society's activities (Oct. 2017 – Oct. 2018):

[http://ukrainet.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/DUAG\\_report\\_2018\\_web.pdf](http://ukrainet.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/DUAG_report_2018_web.pdf)

## AWARDS

**Kateryna Mishchenko** is one of **The Forum Transregionale Studien Fellows** of the Academic Year 2018 / 2019. She will contribute to the activities of the Forum's interdisciplinary research network **Prisma Ukraïna—Research Network Eastern Europe**, led by **Prof. Andrii Portnov**. Kateryna Mishchenko is a writer, curator and publisher. Among her diverse activities she edited *Prostory*, a magazine on art, literature and social critique, co-founded and edited at the Ukrainian publishing house *Medusa*, curated exhibitions, co-authored the book "Ukrainian Night" (with **Miron Zownir**) and contributed to an anthology "Euromaidan: Was in der Ukraine auf dem Spiel steht", published by the Suhrkamp Verlag in 2014.

[https://www.forum-transregionale-studien.de/homepage/news-details.html?tx\\_news\\_pi1%5Bnews%5D=2368](https://www.forum-transregionale-studien.de/homepage/news-details.html?tx_news_pi1%5Bnews%5D=2368)

<https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/fellows/kateryna-mishchenko.html>



## Dr Nelia Wanderka was elected a member of the distinguished International Field Emission Society (IFES) Fellows and distinguished with a medal



Photo: private

A founding member of our society and the treasurer **Dr Nelia Wanderka** was nominated and elected as the IFES distinguished fellow by her peers for her outstanding efforts that have not only pushed the frontiers of knowledge in the various fields of interest, especially her work in amorphous metallic alloys, superalloys, eutectic systems, and high entropy alloys, but also her distinguished and dedicated service to the International Field Emission Society.

*"The designation of "IFES Fellow" was established to recognize eminent scientists in the field of field emission, field ionization, atom probe characterization, and related phenomena".*

Earlier this year Dr Wanderka was also selected as a recipient of a **2017 outstanding reviewer award** "in recognition of the excellent service as a reviewer for *Acta and/or Scripta Materialia* in 2017".

## Shevchenko Scientific Society announced the recipients of its Special Scholarship Program

The Special Scholarship Program was designed to provide support for outstanding, highly motivated university students in Ukraine who experienced a disruption in their academic life as a result of their loss of a family member during the Euromaidan or the ensuing conflict in eastern Ukraine and their newly-acquired status as Internally Displaced Persons.

Full list of recipients: <http://shevchenko.org/news-events/news/recipients-of-the-special-scholarship-program/>

## NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN UKRAINE

### National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine calls for experts to participate in the evaluation of the effectiveness of its research institutions

[http://eval.nas.gov.ua/ireq\\_en.html](http://eval.nas.gov.ua/ireq_en.html)

### Proposal of the "Strategy of Innovation Development of Ukraine" has been published, with an invitation for comments and suggestions

(in Ukrainian) <https://mon.gov.ua/ua/news/dlya-gromadskogo-obgovorennya-rozmisheno-proekt-strategiyi-innovacijnogo-rozvitku-ukrayini-mon-zaklikaye-usi-zacikavleni-storoni-nadavati-zauvazhennya-i-propozyciyi>

### Innovation "made in UA": EOS Platform, all in one cloud workspace for Earth observation solutions

EOS has created a cloud-based platform and analytics tool from which images and analyses of satellite and other earth observation data are derived in real time for application in business, science, and public policy.

<https://eos.com/>



## Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine announced joint Ukrainian-Indian projects selected for funding in 2019-2021

Lists (in Ukrainian):

- Ukrainian-Indian joint projects:  
<https://mon.gov.ua/storage/app/media/mizhnarodna/nauka-rezultaty-konkursiv/3-dodatok-2-perelik-proektiv.pdf>
- Ukrainian-Austrian joint projects:  
<https://mon.gov.ua/storage/app/media/mizhnarodna/nauka-rezultaty-konkursiv/2-perelik-proektiv.pdf>

## COOPERATION HIGHLIGHTS

### IRIA Cooperation Trip to Ukraine 17-21.09.2018: Halftime report of the project "Ukraine"

*By Gaby Feldmann, Akkon Hochschule, Berlin*

Since September 2017, the **Institute for Research in International Assistance** (IRIA) at the Akkon University for Human Sciences in Berlin has intensively been working on the project "Promotion of Health Sciences in Ukraine and the Establishment of a Master Program in Public Health (MPH)", supported by the German Federal Ministry of Health. For the mid-term evaluation of the project, the IRIA team – Prof. Dr. med. Timo Ulrichs, Gaby Feldmann and Delia Grün visited project partners and multipliers in Ukraine, this time in Kyiv and Vinnytsia. The Ukrainian Ministry of Health is also interested to support and intensify this cooperation. In the course of the ongoing healthcare reform in Ukraine, public health area has been identified as an important priority. IRIA and Akkon University will contribute to the development of quality standards that meet European standards, including for the MPH. The relevant legal framework is expected to be adopted in near future, which would allow the introduction of the MPH at Ukrainian universities already in 2019/20.

The **Bogomolets National Medical University (Kyiv)** and the **National Pirogov Memorial Medical University (Vinnytsia)** have already expressed their interest to develop joint Masters programs in public health and collaborative scientific projects in health sciences, particularly with regard to tuberculosis and infectious diseases. The partners have signed Memoranda of Understanding, which lay the foundations for further cooperation. Furthermore, the **School of Public Health of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy** does not ask "if" or "how" to introduce the MPH program, but rather "when". The basis is formed by an interdisciplinary master program "Health Care Management", developed with the help of the Open Society Institute and Maastricht University (Netherlands). In this regard, IRIA will support the launch and, moreover, develop joint Global Health study programs with the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy.

<https://www.akkon-hochschule.de/>

### Cluster cooperation

A collaboration between a Ukrainian and a Hungarian cluster organizations has been presented in this short-interview with:

- Lyudmyla Shyyko - Managing director and founder of Precarpathian eco-energy cluster (Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine)



- Ramón Vivanco Mugarra – International Project Coordinator (also for the ESCP-4i COSMENERG-4i), ArchEnergy Cluster, Hungary

taken during the workshop "Towards EU – EaP cluster collaboration" (Tbilisi, July 2018).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvVeldN9E6s>

## NEWS: EU & BEYOND

**EU global workshop "Smart Specialisation from the EU to the world - The first global workshop": a preconference workshop of the SMARTER conference (25 September 2018, Seville)**

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I03JMCjT3JI>

**BBC about Kyiv "How a city of conflict became a tech hotspot", by Christian Borys and Roman Stepanovych (11 September 2018)**

[www.bbc.com/capital/gallery/20180910-a-city-turning-to-face-the-west](http://www.bbc.com/capital/gallery/20180910-a-city-turning-to-face-the-west)

**Financial Times (September 12, 2018): "Tech entrepreneurs see Ukraine as future IT leader", by Yuri Bender**

**This is an interesting read in Financial Times on the perspectives of IT industry in Ukraine:**

"The value of Ukraine's IT services industry is increasing by 16 per cent annually, with 2017 exports worth **\$3.6bn.**" <https://www.ft.com/content/1a7e7ae4-91b4-11e8-9609-3d3b945e78cf>

You might also find some relevant news on the web-site of the **Ukrainian Venture Capital and Private Equity Association (UVCA)**, which aims to build a bridge between Ukrainian and global ecosystems, facilitating the motion of knowledge and capital in both directions. UVCA is a member of Invest Europe.

<http://uvca.eu/en>

## ZOIS Series "Meet the Author"

Political philosopher **Mykhailo Minakov**, who is currently DAAD visiting professor at the Europa-Universität Viadrina, speaks about his latest book "**Development and Dystopia. Studies in Post-Soviet Ukraine and Eastern Europe**" (ibidem Press 2018) in the "Meet the author" series of the Center for Eastern European and International Studies, Berlin (ZOIS).

<https://en.zois-berlin.de/publications/meet-the-author/mikhail-minakov/>

<http://www.minakovphilosophy.com/about/>

**Eurodoc Report "Identifying Transferable Skills and Competences to Enhance Early-Career Researchers Employability and Competitiveness" (Brussels, 01 October 2018)**

This report identifies transferable skills and competences relevant for early career researchers to gather during their doctoral training program and beyond, in order to increase their employability in multiple work sectors. It summarizes a skills matrix and infographic with nine different categories, containing a list of a total of 66 transferable skills and competences. The report also advises on how to acquire and document these skills and competences is provided. **It could be a useful resource for all those involved in PhD training and the development of structured PhD programmes.**

<http://eurodoc.net/skills-report-2018.pdf>





## POSITION OPEN: Program Director for the Temerty Contemporary Ukraine Program at Harvard University Ukrainian Research Institute (HURI)

The holder of this position is charged with developing and managing a new program on contemporary Ukraine. The goal of the program is to support research on Ukraine's contemporary foreign policy, domestic government and politics, and sociological and cultural trends of significance, and to serve as a platform for the exchange of ideas about Ukraine between the academic and policy communities. Applicants must be authorized to work in the United States without employer sponsorship.

<https://huri.harvard.edu/news/news-from-huri/353-new-position-open-program-director-for-the-temerty-contemporary-ukraine-program-at-huri.html>

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## EVENT REPORTS

### The Exhibition “50 Inventions Bestowed by Ukraine to the World” launched in Dresden



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There is hardly anybody who is not using WhatsApp nowadays or have not heard about The Big Bang theory, but what they have to do with Ukraine? Professional artists and illustrators of the Direct96 creative group followed the footsteps of Ukrainian inventors, carefully studied their work and created 50 artworks highlighting the outstanding discoveries and inventions that arose from ingenuity of the researchers and engineers, surgeons and explorers of Ukraine.

At the opening ceremony at the TU Dresden **Dr Iryna Tybinka**, Minister-Counsellor of the Embassy of Ukraine in the Federal Republic of Germany, has officially launched the exhibition, noting: *“It is important that we raise awareness of the public and show how many noteworthy contributions Ukraine has made to humanity. In fact, it is very fitting that this exhibition was organized by the German-Ukrainian Academic Society, because who else but the researchers themselves can better appreciate the discoveries and then spread the message further”*.

The exhibition was organized at the The Leibniz Institute for Solid State and Materials Research in Dresden (IFW Dresden). For those of you, who could not visit the exhibition in person, but interested to learn more both about the art and the science behind it, please visit the web-site of the **Second Floor Art Center in Kyiv** to view the art and read the brief descriptive summaries of the corresponding inventions and discoveries, covered by the exhibition. The exhibition materials were provided by **The Ukraine Crisis Media Center** and **The Embassy of Ukraine in the Federal Republic of Germany** sponsored the organization, and funded the translation and publishing of the accompanying book (German/ Ukrainian), which was presented at the launch event as well.



**Information about the exhibition:** <http://secondfloor.gallery/vystavky/50-vynahodiv-yaki-ukrayina-podaruvala-svitu/>





## Fair Play and Equal Chances: Integrity and Ethical Standards at Higher Education Institutions in Germany, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine: A participatory workshop with a tangible outcome

*By Oleksandra Keudel, FU Berlin*

In July 2018, a workshop with the goal of developing a set of guidelines on corruption prevention for higher education institutions took place in Brussels (Belgium) and Essen (Germany). It was funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and organised by **Dr. Viktoriya Sokolova** (University of Duisburg-Essen) and members of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society **Prof. Matthias Eppele**, **Oksana Huss** and **Oleksandra Keudel**.



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The workshop brought together young scientists and higher education professionals from various disciplines from Germany, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine. In Brussels, they visited European Institutions that set standards in good governance, higher education or research, such as the European Commission (European Anti-Fraud Office and Directorate General for Education and Culture).

In Essen, the participants received an input on integrity at higher education from the representatives of the International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP-UNESCO) and participated in a simulation game for ethical commissions at a university, following the experience from the USA.

The main goal of the workshop was to jointly discuss the issues of integrity and ethical standards in higher education institutions in the four countries and develop a common vision of recommendations for university administrations, students, teachers and ministries of education of Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine. The discussions resulted in a Resolution, which is intended to be used as a source of further information on installing Codes of Ethics at universities as well as inform the overall approach to integrity in education systems.



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Resolution: [https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/ak\\_epple/aktuelles/essen-workshop\\_resolution\\_final.pdf](https://www.uni-due.de/imperia/md/content/ak_epple/aktuelles/essen-workshop_resolution_final.pdf)

Learn more about the project: [https://www.uni-due.de/chemie/ak\\_epple/en/fairplay2018.php](https://www.uni-due.de/chemie/ak_epple/en/fairplay2018.php)

A blog-post by one of the participants on the ETICO, an online platform of IIEP-UNESCO: <http://etico.iiep.unesco.org/en/fairplay-and-equal-chances-higher-education-institutions-diverse-perspectives-georgia-germany>

## Frankfurt/Oder: Viadrinicum 2018: Transsectoral PeaceLab. Hybrid Solutions to Hybrid Conflicts? Academia, Civil Society and the Arts

*By Kirill Repin, academic coordinator of the summer school Viadrinicum*

International summer school Viadrinicum is traditionally organised by the European University Viadrina in Frankfurt (Oder) and deals with the topics and issues relevant within the context of the countries of Eastern Partnership, with a special focus set on Ukraine. Its 2018 edition was carried out under the title “**Transsectoral PeaceLab. Looking for Hybrid Solutions to Hybrid Conflicts? Academia, Civil Society and the Arts**” in cooperation with Goethe Institut Ukraine and was devoted to the topics of war, conflict and peace-building in Eastern Europe. One of the main highlights and challenges of the school consisted in an attempt to bring together not only representatives of different academic disciplines, but also actors from the fields of civil society and the arts, thus conditioning its trans-sectoral character.

During the two weeks (August 20 - September 2) 34 participants from 14 countries were offered a wide range of educational sessions. These included classes with more traditional formats such as lectures and seminars on the topics of conflict and war, memory politics, gender violence and unrecognized states (i.a., delivered by **Prof. Andrii Portnov**, **Dr Marta Havryshko**, **Prof. Mikhail Minakov** and **Dr Tatiana Zhurzhenko**), alongside with workshops on peace-building, peace mediation and project management conducted by representatives of the Institute for Conflict Management at Viadrina University and international organisations active in the focal region (e.g. Berghof Foundation, Geneva Call, Amica e.V). Furthermore, the school also featured a two-day excursion to Gdansk with a visit to the WWII Museum and a panel discussion with local researchers in the fields of memorial, educational and urban studies. Finally, as a key element of the school’s programme three different workshops (Art.Lab, Doc.Lab and Media.Lab) were organized. During these highly interactive workshops participants were able to develop their own small projects by using artistic, documentary and journalistic tools, communicated with other members of the group, as well as used ample opportunities for (practical) experimentation. Goethe Institut Ukraine offered further support to five selected participants (3 from Ukraine and 2 from Germany), such as the school served as a preparatory stage for the implementation of their own projects as a part of the Institute’s programme “**Remote and Imminent: Culture and Conflict**”, to be carried out at the frontline in the cities in the East of Ukraine till May 2019. This cooperation also foresees an opportunity for these participants to present the results of their projects during the next edition of the Viadrinicum in August 2019.

*More detailed information, incl. videos of the public events and some of the results of the participants’ project work during Viadrinicum 2018 and its previous editions: <http://www.viadrinicum.blog> <https://www.europa-uni.de/de/struktur/unileitung/projekte/viadrinicum/index.html>*



## **Ukrainian-Bavarian Higher Education Day (1-2 October 2018, Würzburg)**

From October 1st to 2nd 2018 the Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg (JMU) and the Bavarian Academic Center for Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (BAYHOST) organized in Würzburg the Ukrainian-Bavarian Higher Education Day. It brought together over 100 participants, interested to initiate academic cooperation in research and teaching and strengthening already existing partnerships. It was dedicated to students' exchange, joint research and cooperation of academia and business.

*For more information, including some presentations: <https://www.uni-regensburg.de/bayhost/ukraine/ukrainian-bavarian-higher-education-day/index.html>*

## **“Maidan – An Unfinished Revolution” (12-14 November 2018, Tutzing)**

*By Lukas Joura*

In the light of the fifth anniversary of the start of Euromaidan, the Protestant Academy at Tutzing in cooperation with Bundeszentrale für Politische Bildung (bpb) held a conference entitled "Maidan – An Unfinished Revolution". Numerous participants from a broad range of spheres were joined by some thirty academics, politicians, experts and civil activists from both Ukraine and the whole of Europe, who all came to the Academy on the shores of Starnberger See.

The first day of the conference started with a talk by **Martin Pollack** and **Marci Shore**, accompanied by reading from her new book on Maidan. The programme on next morning included a report by the Deputy Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, Alexander Hug about the situation in the East and the role of the OSCE in the war as well as a panel discussion on the interpretation of Maidan, featuring **Olha Onuch (Manchester)**, **Andrew Wilson (London)** and **Andreas Kappeler (Vienna)**. The discussion was moderated by **Andrii Portnov (Frankfurt/ Oder)**, the society member.

In addition to the experiences shared by journalists working in Ukraine, the programme encompassed artistic and literary voices on Maidan. The last day ended with the eye-opening reports of the Member of Verkhovna Rada **Svitlana Zalishchuk** and the director of the Anticorruption Action Centre, **Daria Kaleniuk**, about the future and political implementation of Maidan. Furthermore, the programme of the conference included the screening of the film "*The Trial: the Russian State vs. Oleg Sentsov*", followed by a discussion with the film's director **Askold Kurov**. The musical highlight of the event was offered by **Serhij Zhadan** with his literary performance "*Linija Mannerhejma*".

*Programme of the conference: [https://www.ev-akademie-tutzing.de/static/media/attachments/Maidan\\_2018\\_web.pdf](https://www.ev-akademie-tutzing.de/static/media/attachments/Maidan_2018_web.pdf)*

## **A SELECTION OF RELEVANT FUNDING & SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES**

*For the up-to-date announcements visit our LinkedIn group: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>*

**A list of currently opened EU calls** maintained by the project 'Strengthening Research and Innovation Links towards Ukraine' (RI-LINKS2UA): <https://ri-links2ua.eu/object/call/list>

## **Culture Bridges Program Grants**



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Die Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V. (Amtsgericht Berlin, VR 35585 B)  
The UKrainian Academic International Network – The UKRAINE Network  
[www.ukrainet.eu](http://www.ukrainet.eu), [info@ukrainet.eu](mailto:info@ukrainet.eu), <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>

Culture Bridges is a new program that supports the development of the cultural sector in Ukraine and enables it to engage more effectively with cultural organizations and operators in the EU. The program funds a range of activities including international mobility, national and international cultural cooperation projects, as well as training sessions and study visits to the EU member states. For dates for future calls for proposals under Culture Bridges please check the call web-site.

<http://culturebridges.eu/en>

### **GERMANY, Volkswagen Foundation: "Global Issues – Integrating Different Perspectives on Social Inequality", apply by 30 October 2018**

These large (up to 1,5 million, for up to 4 years) international research projects are aimed at research teams working on social inequality.

Involvement of scholars based in Europe as well as in low and middle income countries is a prerequisite. Researchers from outside Europe need to be involved as well.

<https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/funding/our-funding-portfolio-at-a-glance/global-issues-%E2%80%93-integrating-different-perspectives-on-social-inequality>

### **EU: WIDESPREAD-03-2018, Twinning grants, apply by 15 November**

Twining aims at significantly strengthening a defined field of research in a university or research organization from a Widening country by linking it with at least 2 internationally-leading research institutions in other Member States or Associated Countries. In general, costs (up to 1 Mio per 3-year project) relating to administration, networking, coordination, training, management, travel costs are acceptable under a Twinning project.

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/widespread-03-2018.html>

### **EU: WIDESPREAD-04-2019, ERA Chairs, apply by 15 November**

The ERA Chairs actions will support universities or research organisations with the objective of attracting and maintaining high quality human resources under the direction of an outstanding researcher and research manager (the "ERA Chair holder") and in parallel implementing the structural changes necessary to achieve excellence on a sustainable basis. The grant (up to EUR 2.5 million for 5 years) will cover the appointment of the ERA Chair holder and a number of team members (e.g. their salaries, recruitment costs, administrative costs, travel and subsistence costs). The grant will also provide a contribution towards measures aimed at facilitating structural changes in the institution (e.g. costs for trainings, meetings, publications and managing IPR. A minor part of the grant can be spent on equipment. The following cost categories will be ineligible costs: infrastructure costs; research costs (including consumables).

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/topics/widespread-04-2019.html>

### **MEET UP! German-Ukrainian youth encounters: apply by 2 December 2018**

The purpose of this program is to intensify relations with Ukraine and support those young people from Germany and Ukraine, who have an active position, support democratic values and





would like to contribute to mutual understanding among peoples. Moreover, the program also supports tri-lateral meetings with young people from Russia.

(In Ukrainian): <https://www.stiftung-evz.de/rus/podderzhka-proektov/vystuplenie-za-prava-cheloveka/meet-up.html>

(in German): <https://www.stiftung-evz.de/handlungsfelder/handeln-fuer-menschenrechte/meet-up.html>

### **Funding for Individuals/ Fellowships**

#### **GERMANY: Georg Forster Research Award, nomination deadline 31 October 2018**

The Georg Forster Research Award is granted in recognition of a researcher's entire achievements to date to academics of all disciplines whose fundamental discoveries, new theories, or insights have had a significant impact on their own discipline and beyond and who are expected to continue developing research-based solutions to the specific challenges facing transition and developing countries. The award amount totals €60,000. The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation may grant additional funding of up to €25,000, particularly for participating in scientific conferences, additional material resources, e.g., specialist literature and scientific equipment for the nominee's own institute, as well as for involving junior researchers.

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/georg-forster-award.html>

#### **SWITZERLAND: SNSF Ambizione Research Grants for Foreign Researchers, apply by 1 November 2018**

Ambizione grants are aimed at young researchers who wish to conduct, manage and lead an independent project at a Swiss higher education institution. The grants are awarded for a maximum of four years to PhD-holders with less than four years research experience after gaining the PhD.

[www.snf.ch/en/funding/careers/ambizione/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.snf.ch/en/funding/careers/ambizione/Pages/default.aspx)

#### **SWITZERLAND: One URIS fellowship, 2019 autumn semester, University of Basel, apply by 26 November**

The initiative Ukrainian Research in Switzerland (URIS) is calling for applications for one URIS fellowship for the 2019 autumn semester at the University of Basel (Switzerland). The internationally oriented fellowship programme is open to postdoctoral and senior scholars in the humanities, cultural studies and social sciences whose research has the potential to make a substantial contribution to a better understanding of the history, society, politics and culture of Ukraine. The URIS fellowship enables the recipient to spend six months researching at the University of Basel (August 2019 – January 2020) and will be awarded on the basis of excellence criteria. The initiative is looking for an internationally recognised researcher who is prepared to be involved in the network of Swiss Ukraine research and to offer a Ukraine-related course at the University of Basel during his/her stay in Switzerland.

<https://uris.ch/uris-fellowship/>

(Call, for English – scroll down): [https://uris.ch/wp\\_live/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Ausschreibung\\_CfA\\_URIS\\_fellowship\\_autumn\\_19.pdf](https://uris.ch/wp_live/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Ausschreibung_CfA_URIS_fellowship_autumn_19.pdf)



### GERMANY, Bavaria: One-year BAYHOST scholarships for postgraduates: apply by 1 December

The Bavarian Academic Center for Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (BAYHOST) has announced the next round of their one-year scholarship program. The objective of the annual scholarship program is to support scientific cooperation and academic exchange between Bavaria and Central-, Eastern- and Southeastern Europe. The eligibility:

- postgraduate students – Master and PhD students at Bavarian universities
- students from Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia and **Ukraine**)

Annual scholarships can be extended twice for up to 3 years; the scholarship amounts 735 Eur per month. One-year study sojourns in Bavaria as part of the PhD study in the home country can also be funded.

<https://www.uni-regensburg.de/bayhost/english/scholarships/study-in-bavaria/index.html>

### GERMANY, Berlin: Einstein Guest Professorships and Einstein Junior Scholarships to foster academic freedom

The Einstein Foundation is committed to fostering academic freedom. Two special programs (Einstein Guest Professorships and Einstein Junior Scholarships) are offered temporary in order to reach this objective and to enable researchers who are experiencing constraints in their work around the world to come to Berlin for two years to pursue their research without undue restrictions or threats. **First and foremost, the programs are intended to support top researchers from regions of conflict.** Furthermore, they are directed at researchers from regions that experience subtle or direct restrictions of research, and who look for opportunities to return, migrate or cooperate with countries offering a work environment free of constraints.

<https://www.einsteinfoundation.de/en/programmes/academic-freedom/>

### GERMANY: Alexander von Humboldt Foundation's Georg Forster Research Fellowship for researchers from developing countries, no deadline

Support for individual researchers for research stays in Germany (6 - 24 months, could be split into 3 periods for senior researchers), for proposals relevant for the continued development of the country or region of origin.

<https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/georg-forster-fellowship.html>

### EUROPE: FEBS Collaborative Experimental Scholarships for Central & Eastern Europe, no deadline

These 2-3-month scholarships are for the exclusive benefit of PhD students from Central & Eastern Europe who need to visit a well-funded laboratory in Western Europe for the purpose of carrying out experimental procedures that would be impossible in their home country because of a lack of resources. Applications may be made throughout the year, but should reach the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee at least 2 months before the proposed starting date.

[www.febs.org/our-activities/fellowships/collaborative-experimental-scholarships-for-central-eastern-europe/](http://www.febs.org/our-activities/fellowships/collaborative-experimental-scholarships-for-central-eastern-europe/)



## A SELECTION OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

3/11/2018 New York USA	Conference commemorating of the 100 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of the independence of the Western Ukrainian Republic and its unification with the Ukrainian National Republic  <a href="http://shevchenko.org/upcoming_event/conference-commemorating-of-the-100th-anniversary-of-the-proclamation-of-the-independence-of-the-western-ukrainian-republic-and-its-unification-with-the-ukrainian-national-republic/">http://shevchenko.org/upcoming_event/conference-commemorating-of-the-100th-anniversary-of-the-proclamation-of-the-independence-of-the-western-ukrainian-republic-and-its-unification-with-the-ukrainian-national-republic/</a>
9/11/2018 Regensburg, Germany	Workshop "Socialist and Post-Socialist Urban Transformation: Small Cities in East Central and Southeast Europe"  <a href="https://www.ios-regensburg.de/fileadmin/doc/veranstaltungen/2018/2018_9_11_Workshop_Small_Cities_CfP.pdf">https://www.ios-regensburg.de/fileadmin/doc/veranstaltungen/2018/2018_9_11_Workshop_Small_Cities_CfP.pdf</a>
12/11/2018 Frankfurt/Oder, Germany	Inaugural lecture of Prof. Andrii Portnov, Chair of Entangled History of Ukraine, European University Viadrina "War and Revolution on the River Dnipro: Ekaterinoslav in 1914-1917"
14/11/2018 Berlin Germany	Economic Forum "Ukraine and the EU: Opportunities and Challenges" Register by 10 November <a href="http://ukrainet.eu/2018/10/11/economic-forum-berlin/">http://ukrainet.eu/2018/10/11/economic-forum-berlin/</a>
14/11/2018 London UK	REBEL UKRAINE, Annual Fundraising Reception with Serhiy Zhadan at the Ukrainian Institute London <a href="http://ukrainianinstitute.org.uk/news_711/">http://ukrainianinstitute.org.uk/news_711/</a>
16-17/11/2018 Berlin, Germany	Meeting "Shaping Eastern European Societies and Economies: Culture, Religion and Historical Legacies"  <a href="https://www.dgo-online.org/kalender/berlin/2018/shaping-eastern-europeansocieties-and-economies/">https://www.dgo-online.org/kalender/berlin/2018/shaping-eastern-europeansocieties-and-economies/</a>
27/11/2018 Berlin, Germany	Prisma Ukraïna Discussion „Maidan: Die Ukraine und Europa fünf Jahre danach“  <a href="https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/nc/veranstaltungen/detail/maidan-die-ukraine-und-europa-fuenf-jahre-danach.html">https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/nc/veranstaltungen/detail/maidan-die-ukraine-und-europa-fuenf-jahre-danach.html</a>
4/12/2018 Berlin, Germany	Prisma Ukraïna Workshop "Island as a topos of political imaginary in contemporary Ukraine and beyond", convened by Kateryna Mishchenko (Prisma Ukraïna Visiting Fellow 2018)  <a href="https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/nc/veranstaltungen/detail/island-as-a-topos-of-political-imaginary-in-contemporary-ukraine-and-beyond.html">https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/nc/veranstaltungen/detail/island-as-a-topos-of-political-imaginary-in-contemporary-ukraine-and-beyond.html</a>



13-14/12/2018 Geneva, Switzerland	<p>International Conference Geneva “Divided Memories, Shared Memories Poland, Russia, Ukraine: History Mirrored in Literature and Cinema”</p> <p><a href="http://www.historians.in.ua/index.php/en/oqoloshennya/2410-international-conference-geneva-13-14-december-2018-divided-memories-shared-memories-poland-russia-ukraine-history-mirrored-in-literature-and-cinema">http://www.historians.in.ua/index.php/en/oqoloshennya/2410-international-conference-geneva-13-14-december-2018-divided-memories-shared-memories-poland-russia-ukraine-history-mirrored-in-literature-and-cinema</a></p>
16/01/2018 Frankfurt/ Oder, Germany	<p>Invited Lecture: „<i>Flüchtlinge zwischen Lwiw &amp; Warschau im Herbst 1939: Überlebensstrategien &amp; interkulturelle Beziehungen</i>“</p> <p>Prof. Olga Radchenko (Bohdan Khmelnytsky National University, Cherkasy, Ukraine)</p> <p><a href="https://www.europa-uni.de/de/struktur/unileitung/pressestelle/aktuelles/oeff_veranst/index.html">https://www.europa-uni.de/de/struktur/unileitung/pressestelle/aktuelles/oeff_veranst/index.html</a></p>

## QUICK & USEFUL

### OECD S&T Reports

- “Co-ordination and support of international research data networks”  
[www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/co-ordination-and-support-of-international-research-data-networks\\_e92fa89e-en](http://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/co-ordination-and-support-of-international-research-data-networks_e92fa89e-en)
- “Digital platforms for facilitating access to research infrastructures”  
[www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/digital-platforms-for-facilitating-access-to-research-infrastructures\\_8288d208-en](http://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/science-and-technology/digital-platforms-for-facilitating-access-to-research-infrastructures_8288d208-en)

### Leopoldina Statement on good practice in evaluation of research

<https://www.leopoldina.org/en/press/news/evaluation-of-research/>

### Free Webinar of the American Chemical Society: Writing Competitive Research Proposals that Win Funding

<https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/acs-webinars/professional-development/write.html>

### EMBL Webinar Series “Lifelong Learning in the Biomedical Sciences”

**Building a scientific career beyond the bench:** Hear about the career transitions of three scientists who have successfully carved out rewarding, varied and unexpected scientific careers outside the academic laboratory. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5iptxll\\_c&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5iptxll_c&feature=youtu.be)

### Seminar by Ian Baldwin (Max Planck Institute, Jena) “Making scientific writing painless”

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2F1ZX5PEINA&lipi=urn%3Ali%3Apage%3Ad\\_flagship3\\_feed%3BiiaPc%2F3uQ7uKI%2F7jPBOA%2FA%3D%3D](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2F1ZX5PEINA&lipi=urn%3Ali%3Apage%3Ad_flagship3_feed%3BiiaPc%2F3uQ7uKI%2F7jPBOA%2FA%3D%3D)

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### Newsletter, DAAD Kyiv:

<https://www.daad-ukraine.org/uk/pro-nas/informatsijnyj-byuleten/>

