

Dear colleagues,

With this 27th issue of our Newsletter we open the call for applications to our **PhD Thesis Presentation Contest**, celebrate some remarkable collaborative grants awarded by the EU and, as always, provide you with a digest of the latest news, selected funding opportunities and events related to academic cooperation with Ukraine.

Stay healthy in these testing times!

With kind regards,

Шановні колеги,

У цьому 27-му числі нашого інформаційного Вісника ми анонсуємо конкурс доповідей аспірантів, знайомимо Вас з новими цікавими спільними проектами, що фінансуються Європейською Комісією, та, як завжди, хочемо привернути Вашу увагу до деяких цікавих новин та актуальних грантових пропозицій, конференцій та інших заходів, пов'язаних з науковою співпрацею з Україною.

Залишайтеся здоровими!
З найкращими побажаннями,

Sehr geehrte Kolleginnen und Kollegen,

Mit dieser 27. Ausgabe kündigen wir den Doktoranden-Vortragswettbewerb an, informieren Sie über einige interessante EU-geförderte Projekte und, wie immer, geben Ihnen einen Überblick über die neuesten Nachrichten, aktuelle Fördermöglichkeiten und Veranstaltungen, die sich auf die akademische Zusammenarbeit mit der Ukraine beziehen.

Bleiben Sie gesund!
Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Dr. Oksana Seumenicht, Managing Director, the German-Ukrainian Academic Society/ Research Development Manager, MDC, Berlin

Professor Olga Garaschuk, President, the German-Ukrainian Academic Society/ Chair of the Department of Neurophysiology, Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen

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COMMUNITY CORNER

Save the Date: 16-17 September 2021, Days of Ukraine in Berlin and Brandenburg

Annual Meeting 2021 of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society is planned to be held at the Freie Universität Berlin (FU Berlin) on Friday, **17 of September 2021** within the framework of the **Days of Ukraine in Berlin and Brandenburg (16-17 September 2021)**, organized by the FU Berlin in cooperation with our Society and supported by the DAAD. The program outline can be found on our web-site. We are very pleased to inform you that **Prof. Serhii Plokhii, Mykhailo S. Hrushevs'kyi Professor of Ukrainian History/ Director, Ukrainian Research Institute, Harvard University** confirmed his participation in this event as a keynote speaker.

Please note: We are currently planning our meeting in the presence-format. If the pandemic situation will make it impossible to implement these plans, we intend to consider carrying out this event in a digital format. We expect to be able to take this decision by the end of July.

<https://ukrainet.eu/annual-meeting/>

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PHD THESIS PRESENTATION CONTEST 2021: application is open till the 10th of May

Thousands of Ukrainian PhD students study and receive research training outside of Ukraine. Besides, many PhD students work on joint bi- or multi-lateral international collaborative projects. Our PhD Thesis Presentation Contest aims to promote these young scientists and in doing so contribute to increasing the visibility of Ukrainian PhD students abroad and raising the profile of the international academic collaboration with Ukraine. This Contest offers the opportunity to PhD students to advance their presentation skills, learn to present complex scientific questions to a broader interested non-specialist audience and network with other researchers from different fields. Successful candidates will be invited to present their research at the Final event on stage (for more information please read carefully the **FAQs**). The travel (up to 200 EUR) and stay (up to 2 nights) will be supported by the Society. The finalists get a chance to win one of the **three prizes: 1st place: EUR 300; 2nd place: EUR 200; 3rd place: EUR 100**, as well as add an extra credential to their CVs. **The Final will be organized within the framework of the Days of Ukraine in Berlin and Brandenburg in Berlin on the 16th of September 2021.**

Eligibility: We invite applications from PhD/MD students carrying out their research in any subject, from one or more of the following three groups:

- Ukrainian PhD students carrying out their research outside of Ukraine (incl. exchange PhD students);
- PhD students, regardless of nationality, who are involved in a collaborative (e.g. German-Ukrainian or multi-lateral, including Ukraine) research project;
- PhD students, regardless of nationality, whose topic of research relates to Ukraine.

Please note: only those PhD students whose PhD defence/*viva* is planned after the PhD Contest Final date (16 September 2021) can be considered (i.e. candidates who have already defended or are expected to defend their PhD thesis before the PhD Contest Final are not eligible to apply). If you have questions or any doubts about your eligibility, please contact us at info (at) ukrainet.eu. **Apply by 10 May 2021** by filling in the application form and sending it together with your CV (preferably as a single pdf document) and a Consent form per e-mail to:

phd-contest@ukrainet.eu. This Contest is organized by the German-Ukrainian Academic Society/ The UKRAINE Network and supported by Nomad Bioscience GmbH and the Embassy of Ukraine in Germany.

More: <https://ukrainet.eu/phd-contest/>



CELEBRATING LESIA UKRAÏNKA'S 150th ANNIVERSARY

Translation competition: Ukrainian Literature in Translation Prize, apply by 1 July 2021

The Ukrainian Institute London is launching a translation competition for short prose and poetry from the Ukrainian language into English. To mark the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lesia Ukraïnka, one of Ukraine's greatest writers, this year's competition will focus on her works. The translations that take a fresh approach to render Ukraïnka's works in English are especially encouraged. The winning translations will be published in autumn 2021 and the winning translators will receive a prize of £250 at the award ceremony (date to be announced).

http://ukrainianinstitute.org.uk/news_853/

The Ukrainian Book Institute has marked the occasion with an impressive first ever 14-volume publication of uncensored works of Lesia Ukraïnka (in Ukrainian: *Зібрання творів Лесі Українки у 14 томах*), which has also been made digitally available.

<https://book-institute.org.ua/uk/activity/zibrannya-tvoriv-lesi-ukra-nki-u-14-i-tomah>

Web-lectures within our "Science first hand" lecture series

- (in German) "Lesia Ukraïnka and the Ukrainian modernism/ *Lesja Ukraïnka und die ukrainische Moderne*", held by **Anastasija Au, M.A.** on 25 February and moderated by **Dr. Alexander Kratochvil**. This Lecture was organized in cooperation with the Embassy of Ukraine in Germany

Announcement: <https://ukrainet.eu/2021/02/02/au/>

- (in Ukrainian) "Phenomenon of Lesia Ukraïnka/ *Феномен Лесі Українки*", held by **Prof. Sviatoslav Pylypchuk**, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, on 26 February. This Lecture was organized in cooperation with the Consulate General of Ukraine in Hamburg and the Chair of the Entangled History of Ukraine, Viadrina European University, Frankfurt-on-Oder.

Announcement: <https://ukrainet.eu/2021/02/01/pylypchuk/>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QDDYkaV2wOM>

Short film: "Lesia Ukraïnka: Fin-de-siècle Ukrainian Feminism"

This video is part of a new series "10 Things Everyone Should Know About Ukraine" developed by the **Ukrainian Institute London**. **Dr. Sasha Dovzhyk**, Associate Research Fellow, Birkbeck, University of London, UK, discusses in this film how Ukrainian modernist writer Lesia Ukraïnka pioneered new feminist literature, at the forefront of European trends of the time.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B6epjym1-Dw&ab_channel=UkrainianInstituteLondon

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

Ukrainian team FireWay wins the "Best Use of Technology" at the NASA International Space Apps Challenge 2020

The FireWay team from Dnipro won the award at the international #NASA Space Apps Challenge hackathon in "Best Use of Technology" nomination. Their invention was described as "solution that exemplifies the most innovative use of technology."

The 2020 Space Apps Challenge was a collaboration between NASA, ESA (European Space Agency), the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA), the Centre National D'Etudes Spatiales (CNES, the French Space Agency), and the Canadian Space Agency (CSA).

<https://2020.spaceappschallenge.org/challenges/create/lets-connect/teams/fireway/project>

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Die Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V. (DUAG, Amtsgericht Berlin, VR 35585 B)

The UKRAINE Academic International NETwork – The UKRAINE Network

www.ukrainet.eu, info@ukrainet.eu, <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>



Prof Viktoriya Sereda ist the 8th Fellow of the Ukrainian Research in Switzerland (URIS), Basel

Prof. Viktoriya Sereda studied in L'viv, Budapest and Edinburgh and obtained her doctorate in 2006 with a study of the influence of regionalism on the formation of sociopolitical identity in Ukraine. She has served as Professor of Sociology at the **Ukrainian Catholic University in L'viv** since 2015. She was recently the **MAPA Research Fellow** at the **Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University**, where she used sociological data to develop a digital atlas of social changes in Ukrainian society.

In her course "Migration and belonging. Ukraine in global perspective after 1991" at the University of Basel, Prof. Sereda invites students to examine selected Eastern European migration processes and debates on belonging, multiculturalism, and integration, with a special focus on the case of Ukraine. In her current research project "**The power of the disempowered: civic activism of Ukrainian IDPs**", Prof. Sereda addresses the agency of the Ukrainian IDPs. To what lengths do they go to become integrated in their new environment? How do they manage to draw strength from their own experience of displacement and flight for civic engagement? Viktoriya Sereda's interview-based research is situated at the interface of the sociology of everyday life and the history of identity. She addresses one of the greatest challenges Ukrainian society has faced since the outbreak of the war in the east of the country.

<https://uris.ch/eighths-uris-fellow-prof-dr-viktoriya-sereda/>

Sofii Novokreshchenova wins DAAD Prize 2020

Sofii Novokreshchenova is a Ukrainian architecture student at the Wismar University of Applied Sciences. Sofii was awarded the DAAD Prize 2020 for her outstanding academic achievements as well as her exemplary commitment to support new foreign students arriving for the summer semester 2020. Due to the Corona pandemic, there had been restrictions on the presence-mode teaching at the time, and over 110 new international students also had to adapt fast to the online-mode. Sofii realized that some of them had major problems with the online study routine. On her initiative, she developed an app to make it easier for them to get started with their studies. It is worth noting, that there were other Ukrainian DAAD Prize winners at this university in the past: **Mariana Bryginets** (2015), **Juri Kapperler** (2001) and **Witalij Schembrowskij** (1998).

<https://www.hs-wismar.de/hochschule/information/qualitaet/preistraeger/>

The DAAD Prize has been awarded for outstanding achievements by international students at German universities since 1995 and comes with prize money of €1,000 per university.

(In German): <https://www.architekturblatt.de/daad-preis-fuer-ukrainische-architektur-studentin/>
About the DAAD Prize: <https://www.daad.de/en/the-daad/what-we-do/prizes-awards/daad-prize/>

Commendation to Eva Korb, Goethe-Institut in Ukraine, for her Assistance in Developing Foreign Language Education

Eva Korb, Head of the Department of "Pedagogical Cooperation in German" Goethe-Institut in Ukraine was commended by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine for her significant contribution to the development of foreign language education in Ukraine. With her participation, a number of projects aiming at advancing the teaching of German language were implemented, improving the skills of German teachers and the quality of teaching German in higher education institutions in Ukraine. She also contributed to the development of exchange



programs for Ukrainian teachers, pupils and students, annual national German language competitions and digital education forums.

More in Ukrainian: <https://mon.gov.ua/ua/news/mon-vidznachilo-predstavnika-goethe-institut-v-ukrayini-yevu-korb-za-spriyannya-v-rozbudovi-inshomovnoyi-osviti>

U.S.-Ukraine Foundation (USUF) Biotech announces first Small Research Grant Winners

Fourteen recipients of the first round of small research grants were announced by BioUkraine. Ukrainian scientists will receive support to help complete a study for publication, obtain results that will make them more competitive for future funding, expand research into new areas, or make progress towards the development of a commercial product prototype.

Through its Biotech Initiative, the U.S.-Ukraine Foundation (*Біотехнологічна ініціатива Фондації "Україна-США"*) believes in unleashing the potential of scientists in Ukraine to empower them in fighting global diseases, feeding the world's growing population, and protecting our planet.

<https://bioukraine.org/news/usuf-biotech-initiative-small-research-grant-winners-announced/>

Victoria Diachenko nominated for the True Story Award, the first global journalism prize

Victoria Diachenko's story "THY KIND", was published by Reporters, Ukraine (13.12.2019). The story is one of 39 feature reports in 12 languages nominated for the 2021 True Story Award chosen from 1179 submissions from 101 countries. The winner will be selected by the jury in August 2021 in Bern, Switzerland.

<https://truestoryaward.org/story/193>

COOPERATION HIGHLIGHTS

New Initiative: German-Ukrainian Digital Partnership

The "German Ukrainian Digital Partnership" is a special network platform to connect the decision makers from the business environment and economic institutions in Germany with IT clusters, Tech Schools, EcoSystems and companies from the ICT industry of Ukraine. The partnership aims to increase the economic exchange and boost the cooperation and investments in the IT sector between the two countries. Initiators of this partnership are the German Eastern Business Association, NRW.Global Business and the German-Ukrainian Chamber of Industry and Commerce. Planned events:

- 10 March 2021: **AgriTech**. The panel on agribusiness took an in-depth look at exciting and innovative companies that offer solutions in the field of AgriTech.
- April 2021: **Robotics & Automation**. The panel on Robotics and Automation will be devoted to companies that offer innovative manufacturing and processes.
- June 2021: **E-Health & BioTech**. The panel on e-health will represent innovative companies in the areas of health management, prevention and treatment.
- June 2021: **Education and HR**. The panel on Education and HR will be dedicated to everything around education, training and recruiting.

<https://www.gu-dp.com/-/about>

Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University (HURI) teams up with Ukrainian Institute to build Ukraïnica: The Primary Database of Ukrainian Studies

The Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University (HURI) and the Ukrainian Institute, Kyiv (UI), affiliated with Ukraine's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, joined forces to produce a modern



database of Ukrainian sources in English translation, “Ukrainica: The Primary Database of Ukrainian Studies”. This digital teaching and learning portal will provide access to diverse resources related to Ukrainian literature, historical documents, witness testimonies, films, and other primary sources created originally in the Ukrainian language and currently available in high-quality English-language translations.

This collaboration stems from a broader Memorandum of Understanding signed by the two institutions in November 2020, agreeing to jointly pursue a number of concrete goals.

<https://huri.harvard.edu/huri-ui-ukrainica>

FIT-4-NMP: Strategic and targeted support to incentivise talented newcomers to NMP projects under Horizon Europe

Nanosciences, nanotechnologies, material and new production technologies (NMPs) represent an important group of pervasive technologies; their development can boost the competitive advantage of the European industry. This project will assist newcomers from underrepresented regions to participate in NMP projects in Horizon Europe. Key facts:

- 1 January 2021 – 31 December 2023
- EUR 1.5 million budget
- 10 consortium partners, including **National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine**
- 12 innovation workshops and tech-transfer training courses to be provided
- 100+ travel grants to be provided to talented newcomers
- 20+ networking events to be organized in underrepresented regions

<https://www.fit-4-nmp.eu>

<https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/958255>

Enamine (Ukraine) leads an EU-funded project ALISE

Enamine Ltd (Ukraine) researchers lead another EU-funded Project **ALISE: Anti-Cancer Light-Controllable Antibody-Peptide Conjugates**. This project is funded within the “MSCA-RISE-2020 – Research and Innovation Staff Exchange” topic with **€ 745 200** and will run for **four years** starting on 1 March 2021. It aims at integrating the expertise, resources and knowledge of participating institutions focusing on design, synthesis and preclinical study of conjugates of monoclonal antibodies with peptides whose anti-cancer activity can be enhanced in tumors by irradiation with light (LC-APCs). The possibility to boost the anti-cancer activity only in tumors, multiplied by targeting cancer cells by antibodies will be a basis for innovative and safer therapeutic strategies.

Partner organizations include:

- Cancer Center Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), Germany
- Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis, Latvia
- Lumobiotics GmbH, Germany
- National Cancer Institute of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine
- The University of Cambridge, UK

This project expands successful collaboration network established by **Prof. Igor Komarov** from the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (see e.g. our previous news features on **his Forster Award** with **Prof. Anne S. Ulrich** at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT), their



earlier MSCA RISE project “**PELICO**“, highlighted as a success story by the EU, as well as a recent **ERC Starting Grant** awarded to **Dr. Mykhailiuk**, CSO of the Enamine).

Project ALICE: <https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101007256>

ERC Starting Grant to Dr. Mykhailiuk: <https://ukrainet.eu/2020/12/12/mykhailiuk-erc/>

Prof. Igor Komarov: http://science.univ.kiev.ua/en/researchgroups/research.php?ELEMENT_ID=2554;

<https://ukrainet.eu/2015/09/17/komarov-georg-forster-award/>

Project PELICO: <https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/690973>

New EU-funded Innovative Training Network – European Industrial Doctorates (ITN-EID) AIDD: Advanced machine learning for Innovative Drug Discovery

To advance medicinal chemistry, the next generation of scientists need to possess excellent knowledge of chemistry and advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML). The AIDD project is funded with almost EUR 4 million (01.01.2021-31.12.2024). It is coordinated by the **Helmholtz Centrum München (Coordinator: Dr. Igor V. Tetko)**, and brings together numerous academic and industrial partners, including AstraZeneca (Sweden), Bayer (Germany), Janssen Pharmaceutica NV (Belgium) and **Enamine (Kyiv, Ukraine)**.

<http://ai-dd.eu>

<https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/956832>

ETUT: European Training Network (ITN) in collaboration with Ukraine for electrical Transport

The ETUT project (01.03.2021 – 28.02.2025) is funded within the MSCA ITN European Joint Doctorates scheme with almost EUR 3,2 million. Its societal objectives are: (i) to provide bigger career perspective for Ukrainian engineers via collaboration with top western universities, and (ii) to train more electrical engineers, making them available for European society. The project’s scientific objectives are to develop and integrate advanced methods to model, design, evaluate, measure and monitor economic, measures for a safe, reliable, efficient and greener electrical transport system. The detailed coordinated multidisciplinary multinational doctoral training program will provide the trainee researchers with a complete broad experience and at the same time allow them to develop and eventually lead their focused area of research. This project is led by the University of Twente (The Netherlands) in cooperation with the **Dnipro National University of Railway Transport named after academician V. Lazaryan, Ukraine** (<http://diit.edu.ua/>) and the University of Nottingham (UK), **Prydniprovskia Railway (Ukraine)** and other industrial partners.

<https://www.etut-itn.org>

<https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/955646>

UNAT: Ultra-small Nanohybrides for Advanced Theranostics

UNAT project ((1.04.2021 – 31.03.2025) is funded with over EUR 830,000. under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (MSCA-RISE) scheme. It aims at a systematic interdisciplinary study of metal-carbon nanohybrides (NHs) for advanced theranostic (i.e. emerging field of medicine, when drugs and/or techniques are uniquely combined to simultaneously or sequentially diagnose and treat medical conditions) application. Development of NHs based on organic & inorganic moieties can synergistically or antagonistically influence functional properties of engineered nanotheranostic medicines. UNAT will develop innovative approaches for synthesis and multi-functional application of ultra-small (<10 nm) carbon-based NHs functionalized with various metal atoms for diagnostics and therapy of cancer. In particular, carbon cores of NHs will be chemically synthesized from biomasses and bio-wastes. The combination of pre-clinical in vitro & in vivo experiments will allow to evaluate theranostic



potential of the NHs. UNAT is led by Claude Bernard University Lyon 1, France, and brings together an industrial partner from Greece (Bioemtech), a research and innovation center “Science Park” of the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine (<https://scp.knu.ua/en/>) and 2 academic research groups from France (UCBL) and Italy (CNR).

<https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/101008159>

AbleGames project funded under the ‘Fast Track to Innovation’ scheme

The project entitled “AbleGames: Online Service of Personalised Games for People with Cerebral Palsy to Enhance their Abilities and Living Adjustment” (01.09.2020 – 31.08.2022) will be a disruptively innovative social-collaboration serious gaming platform to personalise & improve the physical therapy, peer community inclusion, quality of life & enjoyment of people with Cerebral Palsy (CP). EU Contribution: 1.695.768 €.

- Hugintech (coordinator), Norway
- **Elita Rehabilitation Center (partner), Ukraine** (<http://elita.ua/eng>)
- The National Microelectronics Applications Centre Ltd (partner), Ireland
- Universitat Rovira i Virgili (partner), Spain

<https://fti.easme-web.eu/#>

NEWS FROM UKRAINE

Ukraine updated roadmap for the integration of its research and innovation system into the European Research Area (ERA)

The Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine approved the updated roadmap, which aims to ascertain:

- harmonization of policy in the field of science and innovation in accordance with EU standards and norms;
- expanding access to EU research and innovation programs;
- development of Ukraine's research infrastructures and their integration into EU research infrastructures;
- creating favorable conditions for international and intersectoral mobility of scientists;
- adopting an integrated gender approach in the field of science and innovation;
- adopting the principles of open science and the use of EU open access instruments;
- development of innovation infrastructure taking into account the best European practices;
- internationalization of research and innovation also beyond the EU.

(In Ukrainian): <https://mon.gov.ua/ua/news/mon-predstavlyaye-dorozhnyu-kartu-integraciyi-do-yevropejskogo-doslidnickogo-prostoru?fbclid=IwAR0FnWLz5JpD2nb4L46AoO--35EHf6E2NedPbpRAtPxrbi8lqMiff3ahb2o>

Decree (in Ukrainian): <https://mon.gov.ua/storage/app/media/rizne/2021/02/12/edp-nakaz.pdf>

Ukraine’s export of IT services exceeded \$5 billion for the first time

In 2020, Ukraine’s export of IT services exceeded US\$5 billion a year for the first time, as well as exports of transport services and mineral products according to the NBU data on external accounts and foreign trade, given in the presentation of the Better Regulation Delivery Office. According to the National Bank of Ukraine (NBU), Ukraine’s total exports decreased by 4.6% in 2020. At the same time, IT industry exports increased by \$853 million, or more than 20% per year. Thus, the share of computer services in total exports reached 8.3%.

<https://en.brdo.com.ua/news/ukraine-s-export-of-it-services-exceeded-5-billion-for-the-first-time/>



DealBook of Ukraine: 2021 edition

AVentures Capital presents this annual overview of the Ukrainian tech investment industry, comprehensively covering the full year 2020. The total funding volume in 2020 exceeded 2019 and reached record high US\$ 571m.

<https://www.slideshare.net/YevgenSysoyev/dealbook-of-ukraine-2021-edition>

2021 Tech Market Report “Ukraine: The Home of Great Devs”

<https://beetroot.co/resources/e-books/tech-market-report-2021/>

Ukrainian edtech startup Preply raises almost €30 million to further advance its online language learning platform

The company was founded in 2013 by the Ukrainian-based team of Kirill Bigai, Serge Lukyanov and Dmytro Voloshyn. Preply is an online learning platform that connects more than 40,000 bookable tutors teaching 50 languages to learners in 180 countries worldwide. The company deploys machine-learning approaches to achieve efficient matching between e-tutors and learners irrespective of their location. Currently, some 250 employees of 36 different nationalities work for Preply at its offices in Kyiv and Barcelona.

<https://siliconcanals.com/news/startups/edtech/preply-raises-29-5m/>
<https://preply.com>

The number of IT specialists in Ukraine will increase by 23% by 2024

The number of IT bachelors graduating from Ukrainian universities will increase significantly in the coming years: In 2024 more than 20,000 students will obtain a bachelor's degree in IT, 23% more than in 2020, according to the “Analysis of IT education in Ukrainian universities” made by experts from the Better Regulation Delivery Office (BRDO)/ *Офіс ефективного регулювання*. However, the demand for new IT professionals is currently 30-50 thousand people a year. The main training centers for IT professionals are concentrated in the largest cities and IT development centers: Kyiv, Kharkiv, Dnipro, Odesa and Lviv, which together train two thirds (67%) of all students studying towards bachelor's degree.

<https://en.brdo.com.ua/news/the-number-of-it-specialists-in-ukraine-will-increase-by-23-by-2024-brdo-analysis/>
Report (in Ukrainian): https://brdo.com.ua/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Analiz_IT_osvity_u_vyshah_Ukrainy_Print.pdf

Spring issue of Business Ukraine magazine featuring the German Focus

“This issue features a special focus on German-Ukrainian business ties. Germany is currently Ukraine’s No. 4 international trade partner with a bilateral trade turnover in 2020 of USD 7.2 billion. Economic cooperation between the two countries has been intensifying in recent years with growing German investment in Ukraine and the development of exciting initiatives such as the automotive cluster of Ukraine-based companies manufacturing components for the German automotive industry. Meanwhile, Germany is a leading market as Ukraine continues to strengthen ties with the European Union and increase exports to EU markets. The prospects for further growth appear promising. With German companies looking to diversify post-COVID production and optimize supply lines, Ukraine is now positioning itself as Germany’s ideal nearshoring partner. Business Ukraine magazine spoke to some of the key figures who are driving the German- Ukrainian business relationship forward.”



- Interview with Heiko Kreisel, President of the German-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry “From automotive hub initiatives to nearshoring opportunities: Germany is poised to consolidate its position as a key international investor in Ukraine”

[Link](#)

ScienceDirect hub by Elsevier in Ukrainian

During 2021, Ukrainian higher education and research institutions will be able to connect to and access the e-books of the ScienceDirect platform. Within the national subscription, more than 39,000 e-books from the *All Access Books collection* are available for specialists of higher education institutions and research institutions of Ukraine, including monographs, reference books, textbooks, magazines, etc. <https://www.elsevier.com/pl-pl/solutions/sciencedirect/ukraine>

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Ukraine adopts a STEM-Education Action Plan until 2027

Responding to the global challenges of digital transformation and key scientific and technological trends, one of the priority areas of development is STEM education (science, technology, engineering and mathematics). The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine defined the action plan for the implementation of the Concept for the Development of STEM-education. According to the action plan, first steps during 2021-2022 focus on the development of teaching materials and guidelines for teachers to prepare students for participation in the international educational study PISA. During this period, it is also planned to update the standards of higher education in the field of "Education/ Pedagogy" on the use of the latest pedagogical approaches to teaching and assessment, interdisciplinary learning practices, teaching methods and tools that promote research and creative competences.

More in Ukrainian: <https://www.kmu.gov.ua/npas/pro-zatverdzhennya-planu-zahodiv-sh-g131r?fbclid=IwAR0wAdPwkqIGHfqBvwQphNLBys7zn8hvAfHLqXh6q-kZlynYXJuwTluUc1w>

EVENT REPORTS

4th German-Ukrainian Business Forum

(in German) **Press Release Berlin, March 18, 2021: Chancellor Merkel and Prime Minister**

Shmyhal open 4th German-Ukrainian Business Forum/ Pressemitteilung Berlin, 18. März 2021: Bundeskanzlerin Merkel und Premier Schmyhal eröffnen 4. Deutsch-Ukrainisches Wirtschaftsforum

- Hybrid Conference of DIHK, Committee on Eastern European Economic Relations, AHK Ukraine and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine as well as other Ukrainian partners on March 19
- Ukraine with Prime Minister, Vice-Premiers and several Ministers in Berlin
- Focus on reform process and perspectives after Corona
- High-caliber discussion panels on digitization, energy, agriculture and logistics

[Link](#)

Centennial Anniversary of the Ukrainian Free University (Munich, Germany)

Founded in 1921, Ukrainian Free University (UFU) is not only one of the oldest private educational institutions in Germany, but also the only higher education institution outside Ukraine with Ukrainian as the language of instruction. The university has three faculties: Faculty of Political Science and Economics, Faculty of Philosophy and Faculty of Ukrainian Studies.



The Ukrainian Free University (UFU) was established in Vienna, January 17, 1921 by prominent Ukrainian academics in-exile, some of whom had held chairs at universities in the Russian and Austro-Hungarian Empires. UFU was transferred in 1921 to Prague, then Czechoslovakia, where it received wide recognition. After the Second World War, UFU established its seat in Munich, Germany and obtained the official recognition and academic degree granting rights (Magister Artium, Doctor and Dr. habil) in 1950 from the Free State of Bavaria.

On the occasion of the 100th anniversary a number of video-addresses were received and a video marathon was initiated by the UFU's rector Prof. Maria Pryshlak and students on YouTube channel and on Facebook page. <https://www.ufu-muenchen.de/de/news/100-jahre-marathon>

IN MEMORIAM: Prof. Oleh Havrylyshyn (1943-2020)

Oksana Seumenicht & Oksana Huss, German-Ukrainian Academic Society

It is with true sorrow that we share the sad news of Prof. Oleh Havrylyshyn who passed away on 20 September 2020. Our Society was honored when Prof. Havrylyshyn agreed to present his then latest book "The Political Economy of Independent Ukraine: Late Starts, False Starts, and Last Chance?" (Palgrave Macmillan Publishers, 2017) at our Annual Meeting in Augsburg in October 2017. His intellectually stimulating talk both inspired and warned of the risks of missing the window of opportunity for reforms in Ukraine. But it was an informal chat with him and his wife Natalia over dinner then in Augsburg that made us both to realize what a unique personality and a truly great man Prof. Oleh was.

Professor Oleh Havrylyshyn was born in 1943 in Chortkiw, Ukraine. He completed his BA at Queen's University, Canada, and gained his PhD from MIT, USA. He was a Professor of Economics at Toronto University and the Joint Vienna Institute and Queen's University and George Washington University, as well as a Visiting Professor at the University Libre de Bruxelles (1981-1982) and Geneva Institute of International Studies (1986-1987). After retirement from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in June 2007, where he served as Deputy Director of the EUR II Department (responsible for countries of the Former Soviet Union) and Alternate Executive Director of the IMF Board of Directors, he continued his research as a Senior fellow at CASE Research Institute in Warsaw. Prof. Havrylyshyn served as a Deputy Minister of Finance and International Affairs in the first Ukrainian government, and after Maidan he became an economic advisor to the Presidential Administration of Ukraine. Prof. Havrylyshyn has written many articles and several books on the issues of post-communist transition and institutions.

Just in May 2020 his insightful work "**Present at the Transition: An Inside Look at the Role of History, Politics, and Personalities in Post-Communist Countries**" was published by Cambridge University Press, providing a primary source account of post-communist regions by examining how history, leadership, and foreign influence affected the process of economic transition. And he has finalized the proof-reading of the book which became his last one just a few days before he died: "**The Palgrave Handbook of Comparative Economics**", edited together with Elodie Douarin (UCL, UK), which is to appear in print this month.

Our Society plans to organize two special online discussion rounds, devoted to the launch of both last books of Prof. Havrylyshyn – more information will be provided shortly.

<https://www.case-research.eu/en/oleh-havrylyshyn>

<https://blogs.ucl.ac.uk/ssees/2020/10/06/in-memoriam-prof-oleh-havrylyshyn/>

The Palgrave Handbook of Comparative Economics, Douarin, Elodie, Havrylyshyn, Oleh (Eds.), 31 March 2021:

<https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783030508876>



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Die Deutsch-Ukrainische Akademische Gesellschaft e.V. (DUAG, Amtsgericht Berlin, VR 35585 B)

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www.ukrainet.eu, info@ukrainet.eu, <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>

Present at the Transition. An Inside Look at the Role of History, Politics, and Personalities in Post-Communist Countries, by Oleh Havrylyshyn, May 2020: <https://www.cambridge.org/de/academic/subjects/politics-international-relations/russian-and-east-european-government-politics-and-policy/present-transition-inside-look-role-history-politics-and-personalities-post-communist-countries?format=PB&isbn=9781108451710>

A SELECTION OF RELEVANT FUNDING & SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

GRANTS

GoodAI Grants

GoodAI is awarding \$300k in grants to research projects that push the boundaries of modern artificial intelligence. Grants are open to individuals and groups of individuals based in any country. Applicants can be independent researchers or be affiliated to universities, non-profits, or businesses. The expected duration of the projects is between 12 and 24 months.

<https://www.goodai.com/goodai-grants/>

Ukraine Calling 2021: Cross-Sectoral Capacity Building, apply by 31 March 2021

Ukraine Calling is a project-oriented capacity building program for organizations from Ukraine, Belarus, France, Poland, and Germany. In its 2021 edition, it offers seminars and workshops to provide orientational and applied knowledge on the topic of local development, as well as to assist its participants in developing cross-sectoral competencies and to foster international networking. This program is led by the European University Viadrina in cooperation with its partners. Actors from various fields (i.a. education, human rights, culture, media, academia) are invited to apply, introducing a project idea for cross-sectoral transnational cooperation, that they want to develop for subsequent implementation after the program.

<https://ukrainecalling.eu/call-for-applications/>

Applied global health research: improve health in low and middle income countries (LMICs), apply by 14 April 2021

The Applied Global Health Research Board supports applied research that will be of direct and primary benefit to the health of vulnerable populations living in low and middle income countries (LMICs). Eligible to apply are:

- an LMIC-based principal investigator
- a UK-based principal investigator working in partnership with LMIC investigators

Research projects aimed at developing of practical solutions to health challenges, including:

- late-stage intervention development
- implementation science
- scale-up activities
- health services research
- health economics
- health policy research
- research with a predominantly applied focus that does not fit within the remit of other MRC boards and panels

The research question might involve different disciplines and approaches from outside the health sector, but the primary objective must be health-focused. Applied research into understanding the effects of COVID-19 in LMICs will be funded through this board.



Proposals of all sizes are accepted, including large applications over £1 million and small to medium-scale applications. Value for money will be taken into account when assessing proposals. You can apply for funding to address any health topic of relevance in the context where the research will be conducted. The board currently has board opportunities in:

- maternal and neonatal health
- early childhood development
- adolescent health
- implementation science

Applications falling within these areas will be prioritized for funding (see 'board opportunities' below), but applications in any area are invited. Three grant schemes are available through the Applied Global Health Research Board: research grants; program grants and partnership grants.

<https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/improving-health-in-low-and-middle-income-countries/>

Cancer Grand Challenges: Submit your expression of interest (EOI) by 22 April 2021

Cancer Grand Challenges is a global funding platform founded in 2020 by the two largest funders of cancer research in the world: Cancer Research UK and the National Cancer Institute in the US. Funding team science on a global scale, offering the freedom to think big, innovate at pace and carry out cutting-edge research. The nine challenges focus on the following areas: Cachexia; Dormancy; E-cigarettes; Extrachromosomal DNA; Inflammation; Macromolecules; Normal phenotypes; Senescence; Solid tumours in children. Shortlisted teams will receive seed funding of up to £30,000 (c.\$40,000) to get their ideas off the ground and make their full proposal. Winning teams will be announced in early 2022 and will receive **up to £20m (c.\$25m) over 5 years** to fund research costs, salaries and equipment or licensing costs to support your team.

The team should be **international**, with researchers based in different countries and a max. of 70% of the team based in any one country. There is no requirement for teams to be led by, or comprise team members, who are based in the UK or US. The team should be multidisciplinary, diverse and can include commercial partners. Teams funded in previous rounds of the initiative have involved between five and 13 Co-Is. It is required to develop a strategy to engage patient advocates (people affected by cancer) and engage this community and the public in the program.

<https://cancergrandchallenges.org/researchers>

DAAD: Partnerships with universities in East-Central, Southeast and Eastern Europe as well as the Caucasus and Central Asia ("Eastern Partnerships"), apply by 30 April 2021

Funded are short-term multilateral exchange programs such as summer courses or symposia as well as stays for study and research purposes at the partner university or in Germany. Eligible are German HEIs.

<https://www2.daad.de/hochschulen/ausschreibungen/projekte/de/11342-foerderprogramme-finden/?s=1&projektid=57571598>

Germany: MEET UP! YOUTH FOR PARTNERSHIP, apply by 2 May 2021

MEET UP! Youth for Partnership funds international exchange projects and participation formats for young people and training activities leading to qualifications for professionals from **Belarus, Georgia, Ukraine and Germany**. The objective is to intensify the relationships between young Europeans and strengthen their commitment to a united Europe. In 2022 and 2023, also young people and organizations from **Armenia, Azerbaijan, and the Republic of Moldova** are invited to participate.

<https://www.stiftung-evz.de/eng/funding/human-rights/meet-up-youth-for-partnership.html>



Ukrainian-Lithuanian Research Projects for 2022-2023, apply by 4 May 2021

The call for joint Ukrainian-Lithuanian research projects has been announced by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports of the Republic of Lithuania and the Research Council of Lithuania. Priority areas include:

- information and new production technologies (laser, precision, mechanotronic, robotic, plasma, optoelectronic, sensor, etc.)
- energy and energy efficiency
- ecology and rational use of nature
- life sciences, new technologies for the treatment and prevention of the most common diseases, research in biotechnology, bioengineering and genetics
- new substances and materials
- priority issues in the field of social sciences and humanities
- defense technologies

More in Ukrainian: <https://mon.gov.ua/ua/news/startuvav-konkurs-spilnih-ukrayinsko-litovskih-naukovo-doslidnih-proyektiv-na-2022-2023-roki>

Visegrad+ grants, three deadlines pa (1 June, 1 October, 1 February)

Projects (up to 18 months) must develop meaningful cooperation and ensure active involvement of at least three V4 countries (Czechia, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia) and 1 entity from the EaP region (incl. Ukraine) or the Western Balkans countries at minimum regardless of the applicant. Projects must be implemented in the region of EU's Eastern Partnership or in the Western Balkans and clearly address one of the objectives of the program's seven focus areas:

- Culture and Common Identity
- Education and Capacity Building
- Innovation, R&D, Entrepreneurship
- Democratic Values and the Media
- Public Policy and Institutional Partnership
- Regional Development, Environment and Tourism
- Social Development

<https://www.visegradfund.org/apply/grants/visegrad-plus-grants/?c=ready-to-apply>

Volkswagen Foundation: Research projects "Challenges for Europe", deadline is expected in July 2021

Funding of up to 1,5 Mio for up to 4 years for consortia involving 3-5 principal investigators from at least 3 different European countries, with main-applicant from a German university/research institution. Area of research: cultural and social sciences, humanities. The call is currently being revised and more information is expected in April.

<https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/funding/our-funding-portfolio-at-a-glance/challenges-for-europe>

INDIVIDUAL FUNDING/ FELLOWSHIPS

GERMANY: Master's scholarships for graduates from Ukraine at the European University Viadrina, apply by 31 March 2021

The scholarship program for graduates from Ukraine is one of the oldest study programs at the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) and offers a possibility for a two-year (one-year for the LL.M. degree programs) study of the chosen Master's degree program with graduation as well as a language and subject-oriented preparatory study course.



In the course of the study and scholarship program for graduates from Ukraine, which is financed by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) with funds from the Federal Foreign Office of the Federal Republic of Germany, more than 190 students have already been given an opportunity to study at the European University Viadrina.

- **Faculty of Law:** European Business Law (LL.M.), German Law for Foreign Lawyers (LL.M.)
- **Faculty of Cultural Studies:** European Cultural History, Language – Media – Society (with the track option Linguistic Research), Literary Studies: Aesthetics – Literature – Philosophy (with the track option Literary Cultures of Europe), Culture and History of Central and Eastern Europe, Sociocultural Studies
- **Faculty of Business and Economics:** International Business Administration (cross-functional track General Management or one of the function-oriented tracks: Finance, Accounting, Controlling & Taxation; Finance & International Economics; Information & Operations Management or Management & Marketing)
- **Interdisciplinary:** European Studies (with the central areas of Culture, Politics, Law or Economics)

In German: https://www.europa-uni.de/de/internationales/Students/Incomings/Costs-and-Financing/stip/Ukraine_Programm/index.html

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LATVIA: Latvian state scholarships 2021/2022, apply by 1 April 2021

Latvia offers scholarships to foreign (including Ukrainian) students, researchers and teaching staff for studies, research and participation in summer schools in Latvian higher education institutions (HEIs) in the 2021/2022 academic year.

- **Scholarships for Studies** for bachelor`s and master`s studies
https://viaa.gov.lv/eng/scholarships_gov/latvian_scholarships/scholarships_for_studies/?tl_id=22800&tls_id=54779
- **Fellowships for Research** are granted for a time period of up to 5 months to academic and scientific staff of foreign higher education and research institutions
https://viaa.gov.lv/eng/scholarships_gov/latvian_scholarships/fellowship_for_research_2017/?tl_id=22801&tls_id=54781
- **Scholarships for Summer Schools**
https://viaa.gov.lv/eng/scholarships_gov/latvian_scholarships/scholarships_for_summer_school/?tl_id=22802&tls_id=54783

European Research Council (ERC) published its work program

€1.9 billion will be made available by the European Research Council (ERC) in 2021 to allow some 1,000 top researchers to pursue frontier research. Work program announced the call opening and submission dates for the first three calls:

- **ERC Starting grant**, apply by **8 April, 2021**
- **ERC Consolidator grant**, apply by **20 April, 2021**
- **ERC Advanced grant**, apply by **20 May, 2021**

The ERC Scientific Council is expecting to be able to open the first Synergy Grant call of Horizon Europe still this summer. <https://erc.europa.eu/news/erc-kicks-off-horizon-europe>

GERMANY, Bavaria: BAYHOST support programs for students and scientists exchange with Eastern Europe in 2021/22

BAYHOST oversees the scholarship and grant program of the Free State of Bavaria and its partner countries in Central & Eastern Europe and provides mobility grants for the exchange of students & young researchers and for the initiation of cooperation in the field of research and education.



- **Mobility Grants of the Bavarian Academic Center for Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe, apply by 19 April 2021**

Advanced students and early-stage researchers from Eastern Europe or Bavaria have the possibility to apply – in cooperation with an academic supervisor from a Bavarian university – for mobility grants for a research sojourn in Bavaria or Eastern Europe. The program's focus in 2021 includes Ukraine.

<https://www.uni-regensburg.de/bayhost/english-1/bayhost/english/scholarships/mobility-grants/index.html>

- **Internships in Eastern Europe, apply by 17 May 2021**

BAYHOST offers to students of Bavarian universities the possibility to apply for flexible internship grants in order to facilitate internships and gain experience in Eastern Europe.

<https://www.uni-regensburg.de/index.php?eID=dumpFile&t=f&f=43993&token=9a0d64baffdd872bfbb7059f35b6017056418243>

- **Special scholarships Ukraine, apply by 19 May 2021**

As part of the essay-competition „Sophie Scholl an the White Rose“ BAYHOST provides additional scholarships for students and PhD-students from Ukraine. The scholarship supports study visits in Bavaria in the winter term 2021/22 or the summer term 2022.

<https://www.uni-regensburg.de/bayhost/english-1/bayhost/english/scholarships/study-in-bavaria/index.html>

GERMANY, Einstein Fellowship, apply by 15 May 2021

The Einstein Forum and the Daimler and Benz Foundation are offering a fellowship for outstanding young thinkers who wish to pursue a project in a different field from that of their previous research. The purpose of the fellowship is to support those who, in addition to producing superb work in their area of specialization, are also open to other, interdisciplinary approaches – following the example set by Albert Einstein. Candidates must be under 35 and hold a university degree in the humanities, in the social sciences, or in the natural sciences. Due to the COVID-19 epidemic the fellowship will be awarded for 2022 rather than 2021.

The fellowship includes living accommodations for five to six months in the garden cottage of Einstein's own summerhouse in Caputh, Brandenburg, only a short distance away from the universities and academic institutions of Potsdam and Berlin. The fellow will receive a stipend of EUR 10,000 and reimbursement of travel expenses.

<https://einsteinforum.de/about/fellowship/?lang=en>

POLAND: A new fellowship program for excellent researchers, apply by 30 June and 30 December 2021

The **PASIFIC Fellowship Program** offers an opportunity for researchers irrespective of nationality and across all scientific disciplines to establish their **scientific independence** and conduct **ground-breaking research** at one of the institutes of the Polish Academy of Sciences (PAS).

Duration: 2 years

Eligibility:

- At the deadline of the call, the applicant must hold a doctoral degree or have at least 4 years of full-time equivalent research experience.
- The applicant must comply with **the MSCA mobility rule**. This means the applicant must have not been a resident of Poland or carried out their main activities (including work or studies) in Poland for more than 1 year out of the 3 years prior to the call's deadline.



50 outstanding scientists will be selected in the two calls announced in 2021:

- 1st call opens on the 15th of March with the deadline on 30 June 2021
- 2nd call opens on 15th of September with the deadline on 30 December 2021

<https://pasific.pan.pl/>

LONDON, UK: Ukrainian Literature in Translation Prize, Celebrating Lesia Ukraïnka's 150th anniversary, apply by 1 July 2021

The Ukrainian Institute London is launching a translation competition for short prose and poetry from the Ukrainian language into English. Translations that take a fresh approach to rendering Ukraïnka's works in English are especially encouraged. The winning translations will be published and the winning translators will receive a prize.

http://ukrainianinstitute.org.uk/news_853/

GERMANY: special funding for diaspora and returning experts to developing countries and emerging economies

The German Government's competence centre for international labour mobility (CIM) facilitates the transfer of knowledge from individuals to developing countries and emerging economies. CIM supports individuals who wish to put the knowledge and skills they have acquired in Germany to good use in their country of origin by, for example, taking on a specialist role, starting a new business or working for an association. Two main programs are available for work in Ukraine: (i) **Short-term assignments** with a development focus in your country of origin and (ii) Working as a **returning expert**.

<https://www.cimonline.de/en/html/about-cim.html>

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>

USA, Fulbright Specialist Program, 3-4 months before the planned starting date

Ukrainian educational and research institutions can invite U.S. faculty and professionals to collaborate with their counterparts on curriculum and faculty development; institutional planning; participation in conferences, seminars, and workshops; and intensive teaching activities with students and faculty. The program awards grants ranging from 2 to 6 weeks.

<https://fulbright.org.ua/en/fulbright-specialist-program-2/>

USA, Hello Bio Early Career Scientist Grants

Every month Hello Bio awards a grant of US \$500 to an early career life scientist (eligible are those who have received their highest degree (BSc, MSc or PhD) within the past 10 years) to support them with their scientific career. Applications will be entered into a draw and the winner will be selected at random.

<https://www.hellobio.com/scientist-grants-travel-grants-and-awards/>



A SELECTION OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS

4-10/04/2021	GenomicsUA: Training course in single-cell biology
online	Each meeting starts at 18.00 CET and will take approximately 2-3 hours, per Zoom. Speakers:
Register by 30/03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vladyslav Kavaka, MD candidate, LMU Munich, Germany • Maryna Korshevniuk, PhD Candidate, UMCG, The Netherlands • Oleksandr Petrenko, Predoctoral Fellow, LBI-RUD / CeMM, Austria • Yuliya Syntikova, PhD, LifeMine Therapeutics, USA
	https://genomics.org.ua/2021/03/training-course-in-single-cell-biology/
15/04/2021	“Science First Hand” Lecture Series , organized by the Berlin-Brandenburg Regional Chapter of the German-Ukrainian Academic Society (Contact: Dr. Olesia Lazarenko, European University Viadrina: berlin@ukrainet.eu)
Online	Lukas Joura: „Das intellektuelle Phänomen Ahatanhel Kryms’kyj“ <i>Mit diesem Vortrag wollen wir an den 150. Geburtstag von Ahatanhel Krymskyj erinnern</i>
Register by 14/04	Moderator: Dr. Alexander Kratochvil, PD
	https://ukrainet.eu/2021/03/24/joura/
20-23/04/2021	Research Center for the History of Transformations (RECET) Opening Week (University of Vienna), including (23.04):
Online	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundtable “Transformations of the term: The post-1989 transformation in sociological perspective” with Marta Bucholc (University of Warsaw), Claus Offe (Hertie School, Berlin), and Joanna Wawrzyniak (European University Institute) • Talk “The Transformation of East Central Europe after 1918 and Woodrow Wilson” by Larry Wolff (New York University)
	On four evenings, you will learn more about the RECET and the Research Platform "Transformations and Eastern Europe" and its mission, and follow renowned speakers on a journey of transformation in Eastern Europe and East Asia
	https://recet.at/events/recet-opening-week/
28/04/2021	The Chernobyl/Chornobyl Disaster: The Presentation of the New MAPA Project, Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute
Online	https://huri.harvard.edu/event/MAPA-chernobyl-chornobyl?delta=0
	The MAPA: Digital Atlas of Ukraine program, undertaken by the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University and its partners, brings the latest innovations of information technology to studies of modern Ukrainian history and contemporary political geography:
	https://huri.harvard.edu/mapa
18/06-6/08/2021	2021 Harvard Ukrainian Summer Institute
Online	HUSI courses are primarily designed for advanced undergraduate students and post-graduates of all kinds, including recent college graduates, current



<p>Deadline to apply for scholarships: 1/04</p>	<p>graduate students, academics, and working professionals. Exceptional high school students are also welcomed, but they are recommend to contact their instructor(s) prior to registration.</p> <p>There is a limited number of full and partial scholarships. Eligible students who apply for the HUSI Scholarship to support enrollment in "Ukrainian for Reading Knowledge" should also apply for a summer FLAS (Foreign Language Area Studies) Fellowship</p> <p>https://huri.harvard.edu/husi/enrollment</p>
<p>21-25/06/2021 Virtual course Apply by 31/04</p>	<p>Summer School: Ukraine – Opportunities and Challenges for Dialogue</p> <p>Organized by SwissPeace in cooperation with University of Basel</p> <p>https://www.swisspeace.ch/continuing-education/postgraduate-courses/summer-school-Ukraine</p>
<p>9-21/08/2021</p>	<p>Save the Date: Ukrainicum (Krupp-Kolleg)</p> <p>The Greifswald Ukrainicum is a 14-day international summer school of the Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald and the University of Greifswald on the science, culture and language of Ukraine and is sponsored by the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach Foundation, Essen.</p> <p>https://slawistik.uni-greifswald.de/info/akademische-veranstaltungen/ukrainicum-krupp/</p>
<p>16-29/08/2021</p>	<p>Save the date: Viadrinicum. Summer School. DigitalLab</p> <p>Viadrinicum is an annual summer school organized by the European University Viadrina (Frankfurt/ Oder). It is devoted to the countries of the Eastern Partnership, and the larger context of Central and Eastern Europe.</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/viadrinicum</p>
<p>16/09/2021 Berlin Apply by 3/05</p>	<p>Final of the UKRAINET PhD Thesis Presentation Contest</p> <p>https://ukrainet.eu/phd-contest/</p>
<p>16-17/09/2021 Berlin</p>	<p>Save the Date: Days of Ukraine in Berlin and Brandenburg</p> <p>https://ukrainet.eu/annual-meeting/</p>
<p>14-21/09/2021 Sofia, Bulgaria</p>	<p>“Shadows of Empires: Imperial Legacies and Mythologies in East Central Europe” Transregional Academy organized by Prisma Ukraïna – Research Network Eastern Europe in cooperation with CAS Centre for Advanced Study Sofia, Center for Governance and Culture in Europe, University St. Gallen, and the German Historical Institute Warsaw</p> <p>https://www.prisma-ukraina.de/veranstaltungen/detail/shadows-of-empires-imperial-legacies-and-mythologies-in-east-central-europe.html</p>



QUICK & USEFUL

New open-access book "The Science of Citizen Science" Editors: Katrin Vohland, Anne Land-Zandstra, Luigi Ceccaroni, Rob Lemmens, Josep Perelló, Marisa Ponti, Roeland Samson and Katherin Wagenknecht:
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-030-58278-4>

zbMATH becomes an open access database and offers comprehensive, scientifically in-depth information on **mathematical publications**, authors, references and software from all over the world:
<https://zbmath.org/>

MIT OpenCourseWare is a web-based publication of virtually all MIT course content:
<https://ocw.mit.edu/about/#>

"A Review of Peer Review: What's wrong with scholarly publishing?", by Robert J. Marks II, PhD
<https://academicinfluence.com/inflection/experts/review-of-peer-review>

UKRAINE-RELATED

A free short introductory **course "Ukraine: History, Culture and Identities"** on Udemey:
<https://www.udemy.com/course/ukraine-history-culture-and-identities/>

Grammarly releases GEC dataset for the Ukrainian language / UA-GEC and invites all interested to contribute and/ or translate texts:
<https://ua-gec-dataset.grammarly.ai/>

Recorded Webinar "Successful Business with Germany: How to Turn Obstacles into Opportunities" (in English/ Ukrainian):
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2QVDE4lqwyQ&ab_channel=AHKUkraine

German Economic Team: "Ukraine: Economic Monitor Issue 13 January 2021"
<https://www.german-economic-team.com/ukraine/en/economic-monitor-issue-13-january-2021/>

Made in Ukraine Tech Startup Edition: Interview with Kira Rudik, Member of Parliament of Ukraine, the first Deputy Chairperson of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine Committee on Digital Transformation and the leader of the Holos Party. She is also a serial tech entrepreneur and the former COO of Ring Ukraine. Kira talks about her experience in the world of technology and her desire to help build a better and effective relationship between business and the Ukrainian government. This podcast series are produced and hosted by **Mike Buryk** and covers tech startups from Ukraine and their effort to reach a global market.

<https://soundcloud.com/ukrainetech/kirarudik>

Other podcasts from this series: <https://soundcloud.com/ukrainetech>

Innovation DTEK - the Ukrainian platform for collecting innovative ideas on new technologies in the alternative energy market, as well as energy efficiency and energy-saving technologies:
<https://openinnovation.dtek.com/>

UNECE study "Capitalizing on innovation potential can drive sustainable growth in Eastern Europe and South Caucasus":
<https://www.unece.org/info/media/presscurrent-press-h/economic-cooperation-and-integration/2020/capitalizing-on-innovation-potential-can-drive-sustainable-growth-in-eastern-europe-and-south-caucasus-unece-study/doc.html>

"To Kyiv... with Love? International Assistance and Ukraine's Self-Reliance", publication by **Maryna Rabinovych**
<https://recet.at/blog/february-2-2021/>

"Ukrainians in America: Insights from the Center for Demographic and Socio-Economic Research of Ukrainians in the US", a publication by **Oleh Wolowyna**, Shevchenko Scientific Society
<http://shevchenko.org/news-events/news/ukrainians-in-america/>

"Cultural Revival and Social Transformation in Ukraine. The role of culture and the arts in supporting post-Euromaidan resilience", research paper by **Marina Pesenti**



https://www.chathamhouse.org/2020/11/cultural-revival-and-social-transformation-ukraine?utm_source=Chatham%20House&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=11984799_REP%20-%20Publication%20alert%20-%2018.11.2020&dm_i=1S3M,74VJ3,UD2UIQ,SVBZX,1

Columbia University Press, Book series “Ukrainian Voices”, collected by Andreas Umland

Founded in 2019 this book series publishes English- and German-language monographs, edited volumes, document collections and anthologies of articles authored and composed by Ukrainian politicians, intellectuals, activists, officials, researchers, entrepreneurs, artists, and diplomats. The series’ aim is to introduce Western and other audiences to Ukrainian explorations and interpretations of historic and current domestic as well as international affairs. The purpose of these books is to make non-Ukrainian readers familiar with how some prominent Ukrainians approach, research and assess their country’s development and position in the world. <https://cup.columbia.edu/series/ukrainian-voices?amount=48>

Damage Control: The Breach of the Budapest Memorandum and the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime, In book: NATO’s Enlargement and Russia: A Strategic Challenge in the Past and Future (pp.177-189), ibidem-Verlag, March 2021

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/350343202_Damage_Control_The_Breach_of_the_Budapest_Memorandum_and_the_Nuclear_Non-Proliferation_Regime

BOOK (in German) “Geschichte der Krim. Iphigenie und Putin auf Tauris“, by Kerstin Jobst

Kerstin Jobst has been Professor of Societies and Cultures of Memory in Eastern Europe at the Institute of Eastern European History of the Faculty of Historical and Cultural Studies at the University of Vienna since 2012. De Gruyter Oldenbourg | 2020. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110520620>. PDF is available. <https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.1515/9783110520620/html>

Interview with the author (in German): <https://medienportal.univie.ac.at/uniview/wissenschaft-gesellschaft/detailansicht/artikel/buchtipps-des-monats-von-kerstin-jobst/>

Тільки Україна як держава має ресурси і зацікавлення, щоб її вивчали у світі – керівник видавництва у Гарварді, Марія Щур

<https://www.radiosvoboda.org/a/harvardskij-universytet-vydavystvo-ukrajinstyka/30994468.html>

Ukraine on the scale of European values: The article is based on the World Values Survey 2020, by Kateryna Potapenko, NGO “Ukrainian Center for European Policy” (Kyiv, Ukraine)/ Ukrainian Liaison Office in Brussels <https://ukraineoffice.blogactiv.eu/2020/12/11/ukraine-on-the-scale-of-european-values/>

Trekking Carpathians (In English, German and Ukrainian): Interactive map of the Carpathians and an app on the web platform aimed at building a community of hiking enthusiasts in the Carpathians. The purpose of this resource is to collect and organize information that may be useful to travelers in the Carpathians.

<https://vpohid.com.ua/en/>

SOME CAREER DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES

World Economic Forum, The Future of Jobs Report 2020:

<https://www.weforum.org/reports/the-future-of-jobs-report-2020/digest>

Elsevier Online Training Hub: Webinars in Ukrainian to Improve research work, library work and get new insights from research information arena: <https://www.elsevier.com/pl-pl/events/webinars/ukraine>

EURAXESS Webinar Series "How to Get Published":

- Research and Publishing Ethics - Thursday, April 29th
- Post-Publication Amplification (how to promote your work) - Thursday, May 27th

<https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/north-america/how-get-published-euraxess-webinar-series-announced>

ERC Classes presents a series of instructional videos, that explain all you need to know about the ERC application and evaluation process:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLtv6FnsXqnXAYRk6HCErWmxwMLOZKoMcy>



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www.ukrainet.eu, info@ukrainet.eu, <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8473594>

Career Talks "Welcome Solutions" arranges meetings with PhDs who now successfully pursue careers in industry, as well as career experts and other professionals with interesting personal stories and insights about the job market worth sharing: <https://welcome-solutions.com/career-talks/>

EMBL Careers Webinars

https://www.embl.de/training/postdocs/16-career_development/02-career_events/career_day/index.html

Nature Career Column: **"Can you work with less-qualified people?" and 19 other curveball questions to navigate at industry interviews**, by Tina Persson: <https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-021-00042-x>

Useful professional network: Young European Biotech Network and their latest newsletter for news and career events:

<http://www.yebn.eu/>
https://mailchi.mp/bac2f70353c6/yebn_newsletter

