



THE UKRAINIAN
ACADEMIC
INTERNATIONAL
NETWORK

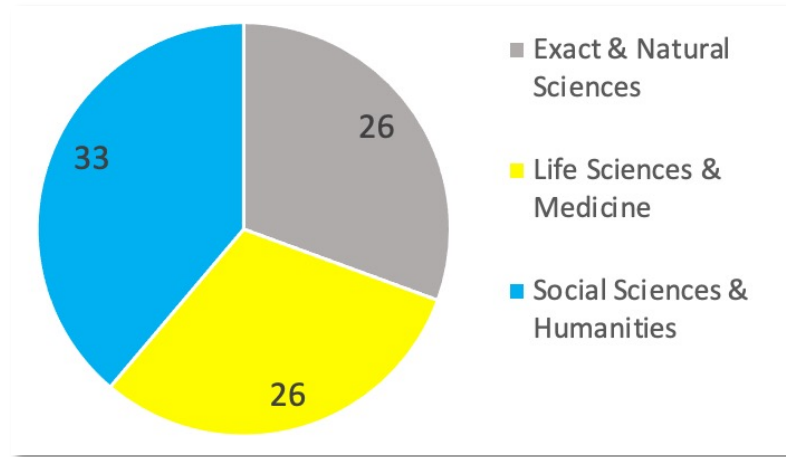
#STAND WITH UKRAINE:
IT'S A MARATHON, NOT A SPRINT
CHANCE FOR SCIENCE CONFERENCE
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Main goals of the UKRAINE Network (est. in 2015):

- **FOSTER** academic cooperation with Ukraine
- **IMPROVE** knowledge about Ukraine abroad and *vice versa*
- **INCREASE** visibility of Ukrainian scientists and their achievements
- **SUPPORT** career development of the Network members & early-career researchers in Ukraine
- **SUPPORT** reforms in Ukrainian science

FOUNDED IN BERLIN ON 11 JULY 2016

85 CURRENT MEMBERS



Including:

- ✓ Most in Germany, 16 in Ukraine and worldwide
- ✓ 65 PhD-level researchers and managers, incl. 30+ professors/ research group leaders
- ✓ 18 PhD students (associated members)

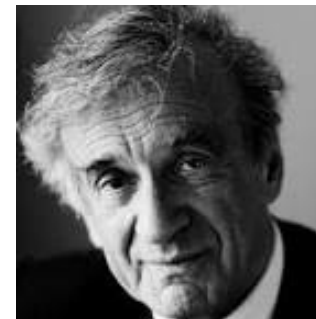


Science: [Ukraine's mounting death toll includes a growing number of researchers](#),
by Richard Stone (22 April 2022)

UWN: [Crimes against the world – Russia's attacks on universities](#), by Nathan M
Greenfield (14 August 2022)

“We must take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented. Sometimes we must interfere. When human lives are endangered, when human dignity is in jeopardy, national borders and sensitivities become irrelevant.”

*— Elie Wiesel, Nobel laureate, and Holocaust survivor,
from The Night Trilogy: Night, Dawn, The Accident*



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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnk99ImivkCFqbErjidwP0w/featured>

Web page: <https://ukrainet.eu>

- [Information & Collaboration Platform](#)
- [#SupportUkraine](#) pages, incl.
 - [Offers of support for students and researchers from Ukraine](#) (curated list)
 - [Non-residential offers](#)
 - [Supporting learning](#)
 - [Saving Heritage/ Data Rescue](#)
 - [Jobs4Ukraine](#)
 - [Info-webinars & presentations](#)

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Newsletter: 32 issues since February 2016, distributed to 200+ subscribers

LinkedIn groups:

- [UKRAINET](#): 700+ members from over 30 countries
- [Ukrainian researchers in Nordic countries](#): 40+ members

Events: eg [Berlin4Ukraine: Meet & Learn \(Berlin, 30 June 2022\)](#)



RELEVANT FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Online, 15 September, 14:30-16:00 CET (Amsterdam)/ 15:30-17:00 (Kyiv)

Dutch national team of [#ScienceForUkraine](#) and the [UKRAINE Network](#) invite you to:

UKRAINET #Stand With Ukraine Webinar Series “International Science Landscape, First Orientation & Useful Tips”

#3: Orientation within the academic system of the Netherlands

The UKRAINET, in cooperation with the #ScienceForUkraine has launched this series of info-webinars, aimed at displaced Ukrainian researchers, who now found themselves in different countries all over the world

Access link: <https://europa-uni-de.zoom.us/j/82640607766?pwd=a3lZaDJqbDRuVlVMaE9rVUI0UmY5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 826 4060 7766; Passcode: 421392

This webinar follows the previous events dedicated to [Germany](#) (in [English](#) and in [Ukrainian](#) (*starting at 25'45" till 1h 3'10"*), download [slides here](#)), [Austria & Switzerland](#) (in Ukrainian) and to [Finland & Sweden](#) (in Ukrainian).



RELEVANT FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Online, 28 September, 12.00 – 13.30 (Berlin); 13.00 – 14.30 (Kyiv)

Virtual Academy on Science Management, 3rd round (international edition). A joint initiative of Netzwerk Wissenschaftsmanagement (NWM Germany) and Professional Network of Education and Science Managers of Ukraine (PNRM Ukraine)

Workshop 2 “Crisis management in academic institutions”

[Registration](#)

Speakers:

- **Prof. Ganna Tolstanova**, Vice Rector for Research, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv;
- **Prof. Steffen Eckhard**, Professor of Public Administration and Public Policy, Zeppelin University Friedrichshafen
- **Lisa Dittrich**, Press Officer, Justus Liebig University Gießen. Moderation: Anselm Geiger (Berlin Senate Department for Higher Education and Research, Health, Long-Term Care and Gender Equality)



RELEVANT FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Hannover, 30 September – 1 October 2022

[Days of Ukraine in Lower Saxony, including the Final of the 6th UKRAINET PhD Thesis Presentation Contest](#)

Hosted by the International Office of Leibniz University Hannover (LUH) and are organised as a networking conference in cooperation with the Hannover Medical School (MHH) and the German-Ukrainian Academic Society (DUAG).

Online, 12 October 2022, 12.00 – 13.30 (Berlin)/ 13.00 – 14.30 (Kyiv) [Register](#)

Virtual Academy on Science Management, 3rd round (international edition). A joint initiative of Netzwerk Wissenschaftsmanagement (NWM Germany) and Professional Network of Education and Science Managers of Ukraine (PNRM Ukraine)

[Workshop 3 “Science Management in Displaced Universities”](#)

Speaker: Prof. Inna Semenenko, Head of Department of Economics and Entrepreneurship and Resource Centre for Sustainable Development, Volodymyr Dahl East Ukrainian National University. Moderation: **Nataliya Butych** (Leibniz University Hannover)/ UKRAINET/DUAG.



OVERWHELMING SOLIDARITY & STRONG SUPPORT

Immediate response has been fast & addressed the urgent humanitarian needs of Ukrainian academics who fled Ukraine:

- [#ScienceForUkraine](#) recorded well over 2,600 support listings: Michael E. Rose et al. **#ScienceForUkraine: an Initiative to Support the Ukrainian Academic Community. “3 Months Since Russia’s Invasion in Ukraine”**, February 26 – May 31, 2022, MPI for Innovation & Competition Research Paper No. 22-13
- Typically support is offered to **individual** students and/or researchers for stays **outside of Ukraine**
- For a **short term**: 3 - 6 months, rarely up to 2 years

Challenges:

- Some short-term stipends are coming to the end, but extensions/ other support opportunities fail to materialize -> **high level of uncertainty**
- Meanwhile the employment in Ukraine could be lost -> **unemployment**
- Fewer students registered with Ukrainian HEIs -> lower state funding/ **reduced pay of the university teachers in Ukraine**



SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN RESEARCHERS STAYING IN UKRAINE

Appeals, initiated by Ukrainian researchers [“Open remote positions for Ukrainian refugee scholars”](#) and Science4Ukraine [“Scholars who remained in Ukraine need remote collaboration opportunities”](#)

➤ [UKRAINET list of the non-residential offers](#)

[European Federation of Academies of Sciences and Humanities \(ALLEA\)-Breakthrough Prize Foundation Partnership to Support Scholars Impacted by the War in Ukraine](#) established a

USD 1,5 million European Fund for Displaced Scientists to support

- academic host institutions across Europe (deadline: 1 July) and
- **to facilitate support to Ukrainian institutions to continue their operations, rebuild their research networks, and foster the return of scientists to Ukraine after the war** (deadline: 15 August)
- **The Max Planck Society** had a Special Call for Nominations for Max Planck Partner Groups with Ukraine for Postdocs/ Young Faculty and a Special call for nominations for EIRENE: A Max Planck-Ukraine Cooperation & Mobility Grant (deadline: 15 June)



SOME STRATEGIC ACTIONS

Meeting of the leadership of the Polish Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, the U.S. Academy of Sciences, the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina, the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, the ALLEA European Federation of Academies of Sciences and Humanities, and the Royal Society of the United Kingdom, met in Warsaw, Poland on **June 2, 2022** and adopted **10-point Action Plan “ACTION STEPS FOR REBUILDING UKRAINE’S SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND INNOVATION”**:

- **Maintain institutional affiliations in Ukraine** for Ukrainian researchers receiving temporary appointments abroad, in order to encourage repatriation once hostilities cease and the overall situation improves
- Develop specific funding programs directed to early-career researchers from Ukraine **and their teams, including such using remote working agreements**
- Establish funding **programs for joint research by international teams** with researchers working in Ukraine and provide for joint appointments
- Provide **access to specialized research facilities abroad**, especially those that duplicate Ukrainian facilities damaged or destroyed during the hostilities
- Provide **remote, free access to scholarly journals** to Ukrainian research institutions



SOME STRATEGIC ACTIONS

10-point Action Plan, continued:

- Grant **waivers** for Article Processing Charges (APC), membership dues in scientific organizations, and conference participation fees for researchers and research organizations in Ukraine
- Establish **brain circulation measures** for Ukrainian researchers for networking and mutual learning with colleagues and organizations in the international scientific community
- **Donate much needed and still useable laboratory and research equipment** to Ukrainian institutions to replace capabilities destroyed during the war
- **Plan for post-war science recovery** of Ukraine with the future needs of the nation in mind, including the modernization of Ukraine's research, early-stage innovation and education
- **Establish a coordination council** to maximize impacts, minimize redundancy, and make meaningful use of synergies, accounting for issues related to junior and senior-level researchers



SOME STRATEGIC ACTIONS

- **International Science Council** organized a Conference on the Ukraine Crisis: Responses from the European Higher Education and Research Sectors ([Report with recommendations](#)), 15 June 2022
- **The European University Association (EUA):**
 - [Has established a new task force](#) to support the reconstruction of the Ukrainian higher education system
 - [Carried a Survey](#) of National Rectors' Conferences on Support to Ukrainian higher education
- [Global Ukraine Foundation](#) founded: a donor-advised 501(c)(3) charity comprising a global community of Ukrainian leaders and their allies. Its mission is to rebuild an economically-, culturally-, and socially-modern European nation.
- **Science | Business:** [Conference “United Europe: Widening R&I cooperation in times of war” \(7 September\)](#) and [White Paper “The conduct of science in times of war”](#)



SOME STRATEGIC ACTIONS

EU:

- [ERA4Ukraine](#)
- **€25million for [MSCA4Ukraine](#)**, a new EU fellowship programme for Ukrainian researchers, to be launched in September
- The [COST Programme](#) provides funding for establishing research and innovation networks. All researchers, irrespective of their physical location, affiliated to Ukrainian legal entities, are eligible to receive COST funding. Researchers can apply for **short-term research stays**, **Virtual Networking Tools** and/or **join any Action Working Group** via an easy online procedure.
- **European Training Foundation (ETF)** launched [UA Re-Emerge\(ncy\): e-learning and skills development to rebuild Ukraine](#)



SOME STRATEGIC ACTIONS

- **UK:** Universities UK International in partnership with Cormack Consultancy Group supports matchmaking between the UK and Ukrainian universities with a similar profile, to support academics, students and university leaders, affected by the conflict. As of June 2022, a total of **71 Ukrainian HEIs have been twinned with counterparts in the UK, the US, Canada and Belgium** as a result of the initiative
- **Germany:** **DAAD funds 73 projects within the “Ukraine digital: Ensuring academic success in times of crisis” programme**. German HE institutions are supported to enable their Ukrainian partner institutions in maintaining their virtual study programmes. In this way, students and scientists/researchers in and from Ukraine have the prospect of completing their studies despite the limitations caused by the war
- **USA:** The Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University (HURI), in partnership with the Ukrainian Institute, **has launched Ukraïnica: The Primary Database of Ukrainian Studies**, a new and expanding tool for educators and researchers to incorporate Ukraine into their courses or build new courses centered on Ukraine



UKRAINE STAND AT THE FORTHCOMING EAIE CONFERENCE

Barcelona, 14 September

32nd Annual European Association for International Education (EAIE) Conference and Exhibition (13–16 September), Europe’s largest international education event of the year

Session “What’s new in Ukraine“: The presentation will cover resilience in war-time, challenges of displaced universities as well as capacity building, networking and Erasmus+ opportunities for international cooperation that will be jointly presented by the Ukrainian State Center for International Education “Study in Ukraine”, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (MESU), Professional Network of Education and Science Managers of Ukraine (PNRM) and National Erasmus+ Office – Ukraine. Speakers:

- OLENA SHAPOVALOVA, Ukrainian State Center for International Education, Ukraine
- OKSANA KRUKOVYCH, Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, Ukraine
- INNA SEMENENKO, Volodymyr Dahl East Ukrainian National University, Ukraine

Visit of the Ukrainian delegation to Barcelona is supported by the Ministry of Research and Universities of the Government of Catalonia



DEVELOPMENTS IN UKRAINE: RESILIENCE & FORWARD OUTLOOK

- [Ukrainian Global University](#) (UGU) is a network of educational institutions, that join efforts to rebuild Ukraine by supporting Ukrainian high school and university students, scholars, tutors by providing them with scholarships, fellowships and postgraduate programs
- [Scholar Support Office \(SSO\) opens in Ukraine](#)
- [Professional Network of Education and Science Managers of Ukraine](#) launched: emerged as a result of the DAAD-funded projects “Management of Internationalisation and German-Ukrainian Cooperation” (led by the Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany) and THEA Ukraine and THEA – Ukraine X (led by the FH Münster, Germany)
- [UAScience.reload](#) is an initiative of Ukrainian scholars from all over the world:
 - Carried a survey [“Ukrainian Researchers in Times of War”](#) (2173 Ukrainian scientists participated)
- Panel (video-recording): [On the Cultural Front: Ukrainian Publishers in the Time of War](#), (22 August 2022)



RESILIENCE THROUGH INNOVATION

- Reports prepared by the IT Ukraine Association in collaboration with the Sayenko Kharenko law firm: [“Relocation. The new IT landscape of Ukraine”](#) and Lviv IT Cluster [IT Research Resilience \(Ukraine\)](#)
- In March [Google announced the \\$5 million Google for Startups Ukraine Support Fund](#): first 33 start-ups already selected for funding
- [€20 million support for Ukrainian start-ups](#) through **European Innovation Council**
- A reading tip: [Financial Times “Inside Ukraine’s open-source war”](#)



- Invite to join existing projects and/or develop joint grant applications:
 - As a partner organization: **EU Hop-On facility: next deadline 10 November!**
 - **DFG:** Supplemental proposals/integration in current funding programmes
 - Join a currently-funded EU project
 - Join an ERC-funded team
 - HFSP
- MSCA Doctoral Networks: deadline 15 November
- **Horizon Europe Widening programme (draft)**: 3 main goals
 - Improving access to excellence: incl. Teaming and Twinning calls
 - Attracting and mobilising talent: ERA Chairs, ERA Fellowships (MSCA) & ERA Talent Programme
 - Enhancing and reforming the EU R&I system
- Forthcoming funding opportunities
- **Info-Session III: Funding opportunities for German-Ukrainian STI cooperation, Days of Ukraine in Berlin & Brandenburg, 17.09.2021**



RELEVANT FORTHCOMING EVENTS

28 October 2022, 09:00-13:00

You can register until October 25 [here](#)

[The Ukraine Network of the Stifterverband invites to the Open Space: Supporting the Ukrainian higher education and science system in Germany and in Ukraine](#)

- A space for **the topics the audience considers important** and wants to create solutions for people concerned.
- They would also like **to translate the results of the Open Space collaboratively into recommendations for policy makers**. Every participant of the Open Space is welcome to participate in this process.
- The Open Space is aimed at **German and Ukrainian actors in the higher education and science system, politics and civil society in Germany and Ukraine**, who want to work together with them on questions and solutions to address the current crisis and learn for the future.



Target Group: Displaced and at-risk scholars at the postdoctoral level

04 November 2022

[Career Strategies Within and Beyond Academia](#)

Taking an international perspective, the training aims to help displaced and at-risk scholars to assess their current position in Germany and reflect their career goals. It provides an overview of the German research and innovation system and addresses both the opportunities and challenges associated with consolidating an academic or research career in Germany.

Applications should be sent in PDF format to ais@fu-berlin.de with the subject line: Application - Training "Career Strategies" until **07 October 2022**

11 November 2022

[Academy in Solidarity Training: Funding Your Research](#)

This training provides an overview of the German research funding landscape focusing on funding opportunities available to researchers at the postdoctoral stage

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