



PRME Call-to-Action for Ukraine

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Thank you to the PRME community contributors for supporting the Secretariat in taking timely action and in gathering and acting on the resources available.

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For continued updates from PRME on crisis response, please [see here](#).

PRME Statement on Ukraine (posted on 26 February 2022, updated 7 March 2022)

The community of PRME expresses its deep solidarity with all Ukrainian citizens and everyone who lives in Ukraine amid the current situation.

Among the crucial values we promote and implement in the PRME community are respect, responsibility, and cooperation. The present military offense is against the values we follow and represent. We are against violence of any kind. We call for a ceasefire and encourage the search for solutions in a socially responsible, civilized way with respect for human rights.

We express our solidarity and support for our Ukrainian friends. We strongly condemn the attack on their sovereignty and livelihoods by the Russian government, in accordance with the most recent Resolution passed by the UN General Assembly on 2 March 2022.

You can read UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres's initial statement [here](#) and the outcome of the Resolution [here](#).

Timeline of PRME response

- On **26 February 2022**, PRME made its global statement on the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The statement was drafted by the PRME community members with the closest proximity to the situation, namely members of the PRME Chapter Central and Eastern Europe and PRME Chapter Eurasia.
- On **1 March 2022**, we reached out to PRME Signatory Members in Ukraine to offer our support and condolences. **We confirmed on 8 March 2022 with the PRME Board's Risk and Finance Committee that we are alleviating all financial and reporting requirements for Ukrainian Signatories this year, 2022.**
- On **9 March 2022**, the PRME Secretariat and PRME Chapter Central and Eastern Europe met to discuss **how to approach work with Russian institutions amid the circumstances and how we can best give visibility and support to our Ukrainian colleagues.**
- On **11 March 2022**, key members of the PRME community who have been spearheading these important conversations met to **discuss the different approaches taken by the community and to set in motion this document, a PRME Call-to-Action.**
- From **21 – 25 March 2022**, PRME Global Students will meet with the Secretariat to begin exploring ways to support Ukrainian and Russian students through the network.
- Ongoing, connecting colleagues in Europe who are offering resources and shelter to Ukrainian peers, and encouraging other citizen-level support.

Purpose of the Call-to-Action



In more detail, the purpose of this Call-to-Action is to;

1. Call for PRME Signatory Members to volunteer free online courses to Ukrainian students
2. Encourage PRME Signatory Members to offer scholarships and subsistence to (a) Ukrainian students wishing to continue or pursue a course of study, and to (b) Ukrainian faculty and researchers wishing to continue their work while displaced
3. Encourage donations to UN agencies and other organizations executing relief efforts
4. Invite PRME Signatory Members to report to PRME on useful examples of institutional or individual responses to this crisis
5. Encourage continued individual collaboration and dialogue with colleagues in Russia with the intention of promoting and advancing PRME and UN values

Helpful Resources

Science for Ukraine [Link to Website](#)

#ScienceForUkraine is a community group of volunteer students and research scientists from academic institutions in Europe and around the world.

Our mission is to collect and disseminate information about support opportunities at the university, national, and international level for graduate students and researchers directly affiliated to an academic institution in Ukraine.

CARA (Council for At-Risk Academics) [Link to Website](#)

CARA provides urgently needed help to academics in immediate danger, those forced into exile, and many who choose to work on in their home countries despite serious risks. Cara also supports higher education institutions whose work is at risk or compromised.

Programme PAUSE (France) [Link to Website](#)

Par le biais de financements incitatifs, nous permettons l'accueil de scientifiques et artistes en exil dans des établissements d'enseignement supérieur et de recherche en France. Nous les assistons également dans leurs démarches et accompagnons leur insertion professionnelle.

Ukrainian Institute London (UK) [Link to Website](#)

The Ukrainian Institute London is a centre for Ukraine-related educational and cultural activities. We work to highlight important contemporary and historical issues affecting not just Ukraine but also the wider world, facilitating public dialogue through our projects, events and online resources.

Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Business Guide [Link to Document](#)

The UN Global Compact partnered with the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) on a Business Guide to urgently respond to Ukraine's humanitarian crisis. The Guide provides concrete action for businesses to support the Secretary-General's three-month Flash Appeal for people in Ukraine, and a Regional Refugee Response Plan for the situation outside, under the leadership of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

Donate

UNICEF [Link to Donate](#)

UNHCR (UN Refugee Agency) [Link to Donate](#)

What is the community saying?

UN Global Compact Statement [Link to Statement](#)

Joint statement from AACSB, EFMD, AMBA [Link to Statement](#)

Network for Business Sustainability articles on [Link to Website](#)

If you have any resources related to support for the Ukrainian academic community, or otherwise, please submit them here: ukrainecrisisresponse@unprme.org