

Ukrainian Global University Annual Conference: A straight talk about human capital development among students, co-founders, and partners



Date: 22 March 2023, 17:00-19:30 (Kyiv time)



Location: online

The Ukrainian Global University (UGU) incubates Ukrainian talent during the war. The project aims to identify talented students and academics, provide them with new educational and research opportunities worldwide, and allow them to work on real-life projects to help rebuild Ukraine now. UGU aims to overcome the devastating consequences of Russia's war against Ukraine in the country and beyond.

UGU was founded in March 2022, during the first weeks of Russia's genocidal invasion. It was founded by the consortium of leading Ukrainian educational institutions and organizations: Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), Ukraine Global Scholars (UGS), Ukrainian Catholic University (UCU), Professional Government Association of Ukraine (PGA), SET University, Kyiv Academic University, Fund of the President of Ukraine for Support of Education, Science and Sports and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine.

In March-August 2022, in the midst of Russia's invasion, our team forged 16 partnerships with leading foreign universities, engaged 60 volunteers, processed near 3000 applications from Ukrainian students and scholars, selected and placed 52 students. They were matched with our partner universities: New York University in Prague (14 students), Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University and Paris School of Economics (12 students), University of Toronto (5 students), and 11 other Universities.

52 UGU students started their programs in the fall 2022. After a few months of accommodation, they do have something to share.

Considering that the project will continue in 2023, this event will also mark the start of a new season.

At the conference, we aim to engage students, build community, and to celebrate the achievements of UGU and its students, as well as report on the students' activities.

17:00	Opening
	<p>Moderator: Tymofiy Mylovanov, President of Kyiv School of Economics</p> <p>Key-note address</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yuliia Svrydenko, First Deputy Prime Minister of Ukraine - Minister of Economy of Ukraine 2. Peter Loewen, Director of the Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy, University of Toronto
17:20-18:00	Vivat Academia. How foreign universities help to incubate Ukrainian talent?
	<p>The panel is about insights and suggestions on the role of best universities in the Free World in fostering the talent and potential of the Ukrainian youth in their pursuit of education and professional development.</p> <p>The panelists, who are experts and practitioners in various fields of education, will share their insights and experiences on how foreign universities can provide opportunities for Ukrainian students to acquire quality education, gain international exposure, and develop their potential through various programs and initiatives.</p> <p>Moderator: Tymofii Brik, Rector of Kyiv School of Economics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Uliana Avtonomova, Secretary General of the Fund of the President of Ukraine for Support of Education, Science and Sports 2. Olga Monacell, Professor, Program Director of MA in Strategic Communication & Leadership, Ashland University 3. Anna Nagurney, Eugene M. Isenberg Chair in Integrative Studies, Director of Virtual Center for Supernetworks, UMass Amherst 4. Sienna Nordquist, UGU volunteer, PhD Student in Social and Political Science at Bocconi University 5. Josh Taylor, Associate Vice Chancellor for Global Programs and Mobility Services, New York University
18:00-18:40	Vivant membra quaelibet. How Ukrainian talents view future Ukraine and contribute to shaping it?
	<p>The participants of this panel, beneficiaries of the UGU who started their studies already, will talk about their views on how we should work together to spread awareness about the ongoing war in Ukraine and increase access to quality education for Ukrainian students worldwide, the importance of the networks establishment in the modern world, and means to support the post-victory restoration and development of Ukraine.</p> <p>Moderator: Dmytro Iarovi, lecturer at Kyiv School of Economics and Vytautas Magnus University, non-resident fellow at the Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, George Washington University</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Viktoriia Pohliad, Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne University, France 2. Andrii Shovkovyi, University of South Carolina, US 3. Marko Tsymbaliuk, Gettysburg College, US 4. Anastasiya Yushchenko, City, University of London, UK 5. Maryna Kurylina, IE Business School, Spain
18:40-19:20	Vivat et Respublica. How to secure the future for Ukrainian youth and advance their role in future Ukraine?
	<p>The panel will revolve around the opportunities available to Ukrainian youth who have completed their education abroad, and examine what the Ukrainian state and businesses expect from these graduates and what they can bring back to the country. It is important to delve into how to create an environment that gives graduates opportunities for action.</p> <p>Moderator: Yevhen Kudriavets, Deputy Director for International Affairs and Strategic Projects Management at the Junior Academy of Sciences of Ukraine</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Olga Budnyk, Advisor to the President of Ukraine on the Fund of the President of Ukraine for Support of Education, Science and Sports 2. Roman Bondar, Country Chair Korn Ferry 3. Julia Lemesh, President of Ukrainian Global Scholars 4. Kostiantyn Lisnychyi, Head of the Board of PGA 5. Daryna Marchak, First Deputy Minister of Social Policy of Ukraine
19:20	Closing remarks