

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

The role of regional science
in building up resilience capacity in Ukraine
July, 20. 2022, online event

10.00 CET time, 11.00 UA time, 11.00 RO time

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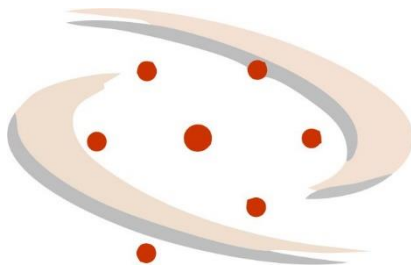
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Argument and perspective:

The war conflict between Ukraine and Russia has not only caused unprecedented human suffering, but also a devastation of built environment and infrastructures in many cities and regions in Ukraine.

From the side of **The Regional Science Academy** and other scientific bodies, we feel that regional scientists from different parts of the world may be able to provide scientific support in the reconstruction stage of the country, once a peace treaty has been signed. But already now there may be a great need in Ukraine for scientific advise, exchange of knowledge and strengthening of mutual contacts among experts in regional, urban and infrastructure development.

At the EURINT conference (<https://eurint.uaic.ro/>) – held in May at the Center for European Studies, Iasi, Romania (close to the Moldavian and Ukrainian border) – the alarming war situation was extensively discussed. We were very fortunate with the (online) participation of several Ukrainian regional science colleagues. The plan has now been launched to offer to our regional science colleagues in Ukraine a positive support during the geo-political conflict and to provide them with all scientific assistance that they would need during and after the crisis situation. This has been formulated in a jointly accepted Declaration by the EURINT conference participants (see Attachment 1). This Declaration suggests also a concrete action plan from the side of regional science (see Attachment 2).

We are interested to be in contact with our colleagues in Ukraine on the implementation of our plans; they are the ones who have to specify which assistance will be needed from the world-wide regional science community. The Center for European Studies of the Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iasi, in cooperation with The Regional Science Academy and the Cross Border Cooperation Office BRCT Suceava, has kindly offered to act as a coordinating hub for our activities.

To explore effective modes of cooperation and scientific support for capacity building in Ukraine, we will organise an online scientific exploratory meeting for articulating regional science support needs, on Wednesday, July 20, 10.00-13.00 (CET TIME). The idea is to bring together experts from Europe, experts from Ukraine, and key stakeholders from Ukraine. Ukrainian regional scientists and experts are in particular invited to present concrete ideas and operational proposals on effective ways of regional science cooperation with other countries. This would than be followed by a physical workshop in Ukraine in mid-August (still to be planned).

As key result from the exploratory meeting, we expect to design: a network framework for international cooperation and the axes of a strategic plan for regional science support activities.

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

20 July 2022, Wednesday, 10.00-13.00 CET

10.00-10.30, Opening

- 10:00-10:05 ▪ **Gabriela Carmen Pascariu, Centre for European Studies, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania**
Presentation of Declaration: "Regional Science for Ukraine" , launched at the EURINT Conference, May 2022
- 10:05-10:10 ▪ **Peter Nijkamp, Vice-President of the Regional Science Academy**
"What can regional science do for Ukraine?"
- 10:10-10:15 ▪ **John Osth, (The Regional Science Academy)**
GIS, Spatial Models and Territorial Reconstruction
- 10:15-10:20 ▪ **Vasile Asandei, Director North-East Regional Development Agency in Romania**
Regional Development Programs; synergies with other funding sources
- 10:20-10:30 ▪ **Mykola Guytor, Deputy Head of the Chernivtsi Regional Council**
▪ **Iuliia Hrytsku-Andriiesh, councillor, Regional Council Chernivtsi, co-founder HelpUkraine**
The role of stakeholders: the relevance and methods for building Quadruple Helix networks: academia, administration, citizens, businesses actors

10.30-11.45, Academic Panel: Priority topics in regional science for post war recovery and a resilient society

MODERATOR: Peter Batey, President of The Regional Science Academy (TRSA)

- 10:30-10:45 ▪ **Peter Nijkamp**
Planning of Reconstruction of Region and Cities after Disasters: a Pro-Silience Perspective
- 10:45-11:15 ▪ Representatives from universities in Ukraine
Oleksandr Sayenko, Chernivtsi National University
Janna Derey, Chernihiv National Technological University
Maksym Karpash, Ivano-Frankivsk National Technical University of Oil and Gas
Mykhaili Kosmij, King Danylo University Ivano-Frankivsk
Nadezhda Kichuk, Odessa National Economic University
- 11:15-11:30 ▪ **Tomas Dentinho (The Regional Science Academy)**
Land Use Planning in Situation of Decay
- **Karima Kourtit (Executive Director of The Regional Science Academy)**
Smart Instruments for Territorial Recovery: Dashboards
- 11:30-11:45 **General discussion**

11.45-12.45: A bottom-up approach: from real needs to general framework for cooperation and capacity building

▪ **MODERATOR: Cezar Grozavu,**

- 11:45-11:55** ▪ **Oleksiy Hrushko, Chernivtsi Agency of Regional Development**
specific support needs / capacity building; what can I do / what can I contribute as expertise / human resources
- 11:55-12:05** ▪ **Zinoviy S.BROYDE, Centre "EcoResource" Chernivtsi/ Adviser of the Head of Chernivtsi Regional State Administration**
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- 12:05-12.15** ▪ **Oleksiy Voloshchuk, Chernivtsi Regional Council**
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- 12.15-12.25** ▪ **Natalia Nosa, International Association of regional development Institutions IARDI**
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- 12.25-12.35** ▪ **Iuliia Hrytsku-Andriesh, councillor, Regional Council Chernivtsi, co-founder HelpUkraine**
- 12.35-12.45** ▪ **Cezar Grozavu, Regional Office for Cross-border Cooperation Suceava**
Borderlands in war time: Cross-border Cooperation as an opportunity for development and integration

12.45-13.00 Action Plans for the meeting in August 2022

Closing remarks: Steps forward: to a capacity building program in Regional Science in Ukraine; who does what

MODERATOR: Peter Nijkamp