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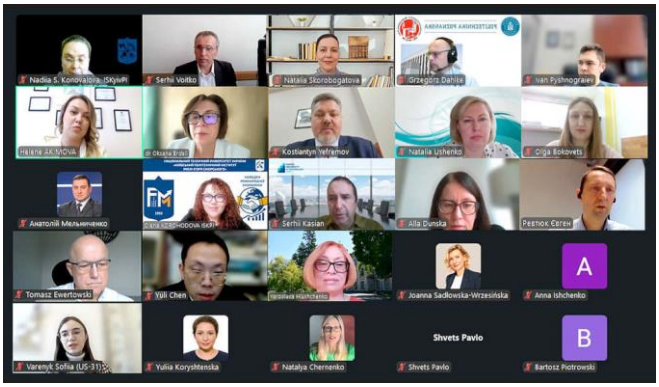
LATEST NEWS

Kyiv Polytechnic delegation attends UK–Ukraine 100 Year Partnership Forum

Rector **Anatolii Melnychenko** (pictured right) and **Andrii Shysholin** (pictured left), Vice-Rector for International Relations of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, took part in the UK–Ukraine 100 Year Partnership Forum, which framed the long-term character of cooperation between Ukraine and the United Kingdom. The discussions focused on what partnership sustained over decades truly means in practice. Security, economy, energy, science, culture, and innovation were not treated as separate tracks, but as interconnected pillars of long-term stability. Read more



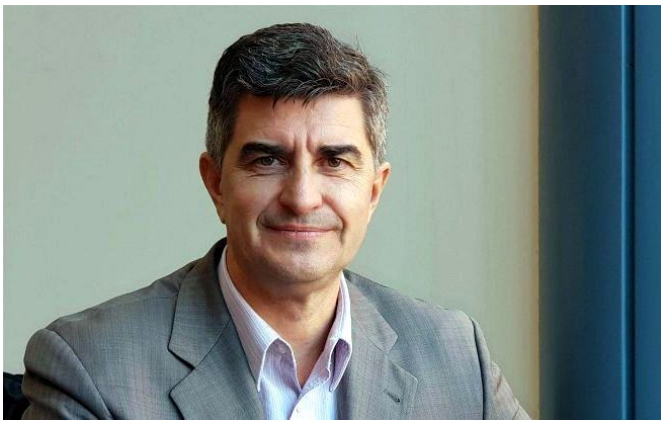
Conference on Ukrainian-Polish project under NATO SPS Programme devoted to crises response models

The international scientific and practical conference themed "*Resilient Communities – Stable Future: Ukrainian-Polish Experience in Crisis Response*" took place at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute from 18 to 19 November 2025. It was devoted to contemporary challenges to the functioning of socio-economic systems, the promotion of sustainable development in local communities, and the implementation of effective crises response models. The event

was held within the framework of the NATO Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme, project G6119 entitled "Increasing the Capacity of Local Communities to Counteract Crisis Situations". Read more

Kyiv Polytechnic leads Ukrainian universities in intellectual property

Data from the Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations show that the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute tops Ukrainian universities in intellectual property. Kyiv Polytechnic demonstrated systematic and effective research in the first nine months of 2025. Read more



Collaboration between Drexel University and Seoul National University delivers major advance, building flexible OLED display

Yury Gogotsi, a Member of the Supervisory Board of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and a Professor at Drexel University, USA, has become a key figure in building the next generation stretchable OLED display. He is one of the discoverers of MXenes, the materials that have formed a basis for this breakthrough display technology, leading a team of researchers from Drexel University and Seoul National University. Read more

Kyiv Polytechnic shines among top institutions in world university rankings

Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject 2026

- 801–1000 in Business and Economics
- 1001+ in Social Sciences
- 1001+ in Computer Science
- 1251+ in Engineering

QS World University Rankings: Europe 2026

28th in Eastern Europe and 2nd in Ukraine

Webometrics Global Web Rankings for Universities

716th in Europe and 3rd in Ukraine

COLLABORATION WITH ALLIANCES

Work smart: EU programmes must reinforce each other

The bloc's funding streams for R&I, competitiveness and defence must move together, says **Mattias Björnmalm**, Secretary-General of CESAER, in an article for *Research Europe*. Europe is outlining its next generation of EU funding programmes amid significant uncertainty. The choices made now will shape Europe's future in science, technology and its talent base for the next decade. The universities on the continent are in many ways showing that the effective competitiveness-oriented ecosystems are less about inventing new structures and more about scaling the things that work. Europe has a real opportunity to get this right but it will require coherence and clarity between its programmes. Read more

UNICA Days 2026 'EU-Canada Cooperation: Shared Values, Shared Futures'

After the two successful editions of the UNICA annual flagship event held in 2024 and 2025, the 3rd edition of the UNICA days will take place again in Brussels, from **25 to 27 February 2026** under the overarching theme "*EU–Canada Cooperation: Shared Values, Shared Futures*". The event aims to explore the EU–Canada relationship through the lens of Higher Education, Research, and Scientific Diplomacy, and to offer a space for Canadian and European Higher Education Institutions and university networks to strengthen transatlantic cooperation and address common global challenges. Read more

Developing Entrepreneurial Mind-set for PhD Candidates

ATHENA is pleased to announce an online training course in English dedicated to PhD candidates who wish to explore entrepreneurship, innovation, and the valorisation of research. This three-day webinar aims to help doctoral students develop an entrepreneurial mind-set and identify opportunities for business creation based on research and major social and environmental challenges. Dates: **11–13 March 2026**. Registration deadline: **25 February 2026**. Read more

Apply for ATHENA's European Master EMINENT

The Erasmus Mundus Master's programme EMINENT (European Master on Embedded Intelligence Nanosystems Engineering) offers attractive scholarships for its best applicants. Four ATHENA universities — the University of Siegen, the Hellenic Mediterranean University, the University of Orléans, and VILNIUS TECH — collaborate in this joint degree programme together with NOVA University Lisbon. Students can spend their studies at up to four of

these universities. The programme is now in its third application round. The application deadline is **1 March 2026** and the study programme starts in **October 2026**. Read more

Join new ATHENA Staff Week in Orléans, France

ATHENA European University invites administrative staff from all partner institutions to take part in an enriching **International Staff Week** hosted by the University of Orléans. Designed for professionals working in student services—including health, sports, culture, disability support, career development, and related fields—this event offers an immersive opportunity to explore innovative approaches to student well-being. From **24–27 March 2026**, participants will engage in hands-on job shadowing, collaborative workshops, and cultural experiences, gaining valuable insights to strengthen student support services across the ATHENA network. Read more

Frameworks of reference for the protection and promotion of academic freedom: institutional, national and supra-national. What works best?

Organized jointly by UNICA and the School of Education, Communication and Society of King's College London, through GOAF – the Global Observatory on Academic Freedom, Higher Education CAPITALs will take place in London on **7-8 May 2026**. It brings together higher education leaders, researchers, public authorities and media representatives from Europe and beyond, to identify and discuss difficult, important and often neglected contemporary issues that are of key relevance for universities and the communities they serve. Read more

36th UNICA General Assembly, Rectors' Seminar on 'Cooperation with Latin America'

Save the date for the 36th UNICA General Assembly and Rectors' Seminar. **From 24 to 26 June 2026**, the highest body of the network is heading to Alcalá de Henares, in Madrid, for its annual meeting. Hosted by the University of Alcalá, the event is paired with a Rectors' Seminar which will focus on "*Cooperation with Latin America*". This is a significant theme that aligns with UNICA's strategic vision of fostering cooperation beyond Europe to help build a more inclusive, equitable, and globally connected academic ecosystem. Read more

VISITS

International partners visit Kyiv Polytechnic to implement learning programme in humanitarian demining

On 16 December 2025, **Andrii Shysholin**, Vice-Rector for International Relations of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, together with **Oksana Vovk**, Director of the Kyiv Polytechnic's Institute of Energy Saving and Energy Management (IEE), and **Kateryna Lugovska**, Director of the Ukraine-Japan Centre affiliated to this university, met with **Mykhailo Turianytsia**, Communications Specialist at the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), and **Narumi Tateda**, a journalist representing Japan's Kyodo News Agency. After Andrii Shysholin provided a presentation on the university to the guests, the conversation was framed by the implementation of a learning programme in humanitarian demining at the IEE. Read more

Kyiv Polytechnic scientists complete professional training programme in Germany

Olha Vlasenko, senior lecturer at the Department of Thermal and Alternative Energy of the Institute of Thermal and Nuclear Energy, and **Dina Koltysheva**, assistant lecturer at the Department of Bioenergy, Bioinformatics and Environmental Biotechnology of the Faculty of Biotechnology and Biotechnics, have successfully completed the professional training programme "*Biogas and Energetic-Material Biomass Utilisation.*" The programme was implemented within the framework of agreements with the Ukraine Energy Autarky Association, whose mission is to make Ukraine a leader in energy self-sufficiency through innovative research projects and partnerships. Read more

UPCOMING EVENTS

The 13th International Conference "*Environmental Engineering*" will be hosted by Lithuania's Vilnius Gediminas Technical University on **23–24 April 2026**. The Conference gathers scientists, engineers, managers and professionals from around the world to sum up the achievements and to highlight the problems. This event makes for an exclusive environment to meet colleagues, to exchange knowledge and experience, as well as to extend your list of contacts. Read more

The **2026 IEEE 43rd International Conference on Electronics and Nanotechnology** (ELNANO) will take place within the framework of IEEE Kyiv Polytechnic Week at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute on **27–30 April 2026**. Well-known professionals, and postgraduates from Armenia, Brazil, Czech Republic, Estonia, Germany, India, Italy, South Korea,

Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States and other countries, traditionally participate in the event. Starting 2013, ELNANO is owned by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and organised by the IEEE Ukraine Section and its Subunits, as well as Kyiv Polytechnic. Read more

International conference on renewable energy scheduled for May 2026

The 27th International Scientific and Practical Conference. The event will take place on **20-22 May 2026**. The theme of the conference will be "*Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency in the 21st Century*." This event gathers researchers, industry professionals, policymakers, representatives of educational institutions, investors, and international partners. Read more

The Perspektywy Women in Tech Summit 2026 – the most empowering, energetic, inspiring, and boldest event in Europe and Asia for women in STEM, Tech & IT – will take place on **10 and 11 June 2026** in Warsaw. This hybrid event will feature a thought-provoking conference and career fairs for women. Read more

Call for Applications 2026

Building on the successes of the 2024 and 2025 iterations of the Translating Ukraine Summer Institute — and recognising the continuing precarity of living conditions and professional development experienced by Ukrainian translators in the fourth year of the heinous Russian aggression, — the University of Alberta's Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (CIUS), the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University, and the Yale Ukrainian Program at Yale University, among others, are launching the third international Translating Ukraine Summer Institute that will be held in Wroclaw, Poland, on **6-17 July**

2026. The organisers are inviting all eligible candidates to apply for this training and professional development opportunity. Read more

REMARKABLE DATES & HOLIDAYS IN UKRAINE

Ukraine is a land rich in culture and tradition, where every season brings a kaleidoscope of celebrations, from ancient customs to modern commemorations. Whether it is the embroidered elegance of **Vyshyvanka Day**, the solemn remembrance of the **Heavenly Hundred**, the jubilant **Independence Day** celebrations or the joyful promise of spring on **Annunciation**, each date reveals a story deeply rooted in faith, resilience, and heritage. **Read more**

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