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LATEST NEWS



Europe's sustainability, security, resilience: Kyiv Polytechnic delegation participates in CAM 2026 in Lisbon

The administration of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, including Rector **Anatolii Melnychenko** and **Andrii Shysholin**, Vice-Rector for International Relations, participated in CESAER Annual Meetings (CAM) 2026 that took place at Portugal's Instituto Superior Técnico in Lisbon from 21 to 23 October. The event brought together leaders and representatives of the leading universities of science and technology united within the CESAER association (Conference of European Schools for Advanced Engineering Education and Research) and key partners from across Europe to engage in strategic dialogue, share best practices, and facilitate shaping Europe's technological future. Read more

Art of feeling here and now: Kyiv Polytechnic hosts Japanese tea ceremony, welcoming war veterans



The Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute hosted a rehabilitation event for war veterans, dedicated to the refined and meditative art of the traditional Japanese tea ceremony. The gathering vividly demonstrated the profound rehabilitative effect of the tea ceremony on mental health: the fluidity of movement, attention to detail, and an atmosphere of mutual respect and tranquillity help to restore inner balance, relax the mind, and enjoy harmony right here and now. Read more



ICD representative joins online International Sustainability Forum

On 15 October 2026, a representative of the International Collaboration Department (ICD) and the National Contact Point (NCP) of Horizon Europe for Cluster 5 “Climate, Energy and Mobility” at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute joined online the Sixth International Sustainability Forum (ISF) themed “The Future Paradox: Balancing Urgent Recovery with Sustainable Growth”. This year’s event focused on practical solutions for the resilience, recovery and growth of Ukraine’s economy: how to attract capital amid the russia’s war of aggression and high risks, which programmes and financial instruments are already available to businesses, and what companies need to access them. Panellists also discussed how Ukraine could combine energy resilience with the green transition. Read more

THE regional webinar examines performance of CEE universities on international stage



On 21 October 2026, a representative of the International Collaboration Department at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute joined a regional webinar organised by Times Higher Education (THE) rankings experts. During this session, participants explored what the latest

results reveal about the higher education landscape across Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and the performance of CEE universities on the international stage. In particular, they analysed regional trends, examined how institutions across CEE are performing, revisited the key elements of the THE World University Rankings methodology, and discussed data on the region's position within the global higher education landscape. Read more



Kyiv Polytechnic professor wins prize in Vilnius for his research

Yuri Gordienko, Professor at the Department of Computing Engineering of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and Doctor of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, received an international award at the Optica Laser Congress and Exhibition 2026 in Vilnius for his research paper "*Surface Morphology of Micro-Optical 3D Structures Manufactured by Digital Light Processing and Masked Stereolithography*". This prize is awarded to researchers from emerging economies for highly scored presentations. Read more

From idea to action: students complete energy efficiency project

Students of the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute have completed the educational and practical project "Energy Efficiency: From Idea to Action" under the Ukrainian-Danish Energy Partnership Programme (UDEPP). For several months, they have been adopting experience in energy-saving, learning by examples from Ukrainian enterprises, energy facilities and laboratories, as well as the Danish Energy Agency, the Technical University of Denmark, the University of Copenhagen, municipal energy facilities, and the Amager Resource Centre. Read more





COLLABORATION WITH ALLIANCES

Europe can't be tech leader on 2% success rates



Europe's ambitions for technological leadership must be backed by adequate investment in research and innovation, argue CESAER Secretary General **Mattias Björnmalm** and **Manuel Heitor** in an opinion article published in *Research Professional News*. This topic informed discussions in Lisbon, where CESAER Members and partners gathered for the CESAER Annual Meetings 2026, hosted by Instituto Superior Técnico. The high-level conference on critical technologies for European readiness, competitiveness and sovereignty explored in detail how Europe could strengthen its technological capabilities and translate scientific excellence into industrial and societal impact. Read more



32nd UNICA IRO Meeting: 'IROs in Next Erasmus+ Era: rethinking concept of successful internationalisation'

Where: **University of Cyprus**

When: **4-6 November 2026**

Target Group: Heads and Senior Officers of International Relations Offices, Erasmus+ Programme managers from UNICA Member Universities.

The IRO meeting 2026 intends to provide a timely opportunity to reflect on how mobility can generate lasting institutional impact beyond participation figures. Read more

UNICA research meeting 'Advancing Research for Sustainable Future'

Where: **Ankara, Turkey**

When: **19-20 November 2026**

Target audience: Vice-Rectors for Research and Sustainability | EU Research Officers | University representatives and experts in research associated with SDGs.

The annual UNICA Research Meeting is heading to Türkiye. This year, the focus will be on sustainability, with participants having the opportunity to look into emerging trends in sustainable and digitally enabled research. Topics include the role of Open Science, ethical data management, and research transparency to maximizing research impact. Read more





14th International Week

Where: **Chania, Crete**

When: **31 May – 4 June 2027**

Supported by the ATHENA Alliance, among others, the 14th International Week will bring together representatives of higher education institutions to exchange knowledge, share good practices and strengthen international

cooperation. Registration deadline: **30 April 2027**. Read more

VISITS



Expanding strategic partnerships with German, French universities

Recently, the administration of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute has concluded cooperation agreements with France's University of Strasbourg and Germany's Kehl University of Applied Sciences. These partnerships open up new opportunities for academic mobility among students, lecturers and researchers; the implementation of joint international research projects; the organisation of master's programmes, and the joint supervision of postgraduates; collaboration between research centres; the securing of European funding, and the formation of international consortia. Read more

FEL student pursues internship at CERN lab in Geneva

Viktoriia Tarasenko, a master's student at the Department of Electronic Devices and Systems of the Faculty of Electronics (FEL) at Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, participated in a high-energy physics research programme at CERN — the European Organisation for Nuclear Research, based in Geneva, Switzerland. From March to July 2026, Victoria Tarasenko has been engaged on a project to analyse data from the ATLAS experiment at CERN under the prestigious University of Michigan (USA) programme. Read more



UPCOMING EVENTS

Kyiv Polytechnic to host Sikorsky Challenge Competition this autumn



The 15th Competition of Innovative Startup Projects Sikorsky Challenge 2026 will take place at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute from **24 to 27 November**. The purpose of this event is to cherry-pick the most promising, cutting-edge projects across a wide range of technological fields. The best of Sikorsky Challenge's competition lineup will receive support in commercialisation, and the establishment of successful startup companies, bringing innovative products to both national and international markets. Assembling inventors, stakeholders, and industry leaders, the Sikorsky Challenge Innovation Ecosystem continues to boost groundbreaking projects and startups, fostering collaboration and providing unparalleled growth opportunities. Read more



Krakow to host IREG 2026 Conference in December

IREG 2026 Conference themed "*Spotlight on Quality in Higher Education – Rankings, Accreditations & Other Quality Watchdogs*" will take place in Krakow on **1-2 December 2026**. The conference will be hosted by the Jagiellonian University (est.1364), one of the oldest universities in Europe where Nicolaus Copernicus once had been a student. Read more

International conference on renewable energy scheduled for April 2027

The 28th International Scientific and Practical Online Conference will take place via the Zoom platform from **28 to 30 April 2027**. The theme of the conference will be "*Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency of the 21st Century*." The conference will bring together researchers, industry professionals, policymakers, representatives of educational institutions, investors, and international partners. 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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