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LATEST NEWS

Energy efficiency in medicine: new area of cooperation between Kyiv Polytechnic, CUAMM



A delegation of the Italy-based international foundation ‘Doctors with Africa CUAMM’, which operates in this country through its branch ‘Opera San Francesco Saverio Ukraine’, visited the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute to consider areas as potential starting points for collaboration. During a meeting with the university administration, discussed were prospects for joint projects on energy efficiency, particularly the development and application of solutions to optimise the energy consumption of medical equipment in hospitals. Read more



Innovation Space wins int'l recognition for tech developments in prosthetics

Established at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, the Innovation Space hub has won a silver *Highly Commended* award at the 2026 Reuters Events Global Sustainability Awards in the Social Impact category. Kyiv Polytechnic, the OBRIO product IT company, and the Genesis for Ukraine Charity Foundation launched the joint project in May 2025. Read more

International partnership gains momentum: Kyiv Polytechnic receives power station from VMU, Bucha Help Foundation

Thanks to the generous support provided by Lithuania's Vytautas Magnus University (VMU), namely its Rector **Ineta Dabašinskienė**, and **Konstantin Gudauskas**, Director of the Bucha Help Foundation, a Bluetti portable power station has been added to the technical equipment in the Student Development Department at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute, ready to sustain studies and university operations during emergency power outages. Read more





Kyiv Polytechnic representative joins online workshop on science diplomacy

On 5 November 2026, a representative of the International Collaboration Department at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute joined the LUKE (Linking Ukraine to the ERA) Project Online Workshop entitled "Connecting Voices: Building Ukraine's Science Diplomacy Ecosystem in Europe"

This interactive workshop explored the potential of science diplomacy for Ukraine and its stakeholders – from building sustainable bridges between research communities, policymakers and foreign policy actors to integrating Ukrainian institutions into the wider European science diplomacy landscape. Its programme featured leading voices from Ukrainian academia, European policy advisory bodies, and diaspora networks to explore best practices, current frameworks, and practical entry points for collaboration. Read more



COLLABORATION WITH ALLIANCES



University of Siegen assumes presidency of ATHENA

From 8 to 9 October 2026, France's University of Orléans hosted a series of events marking the handover of the presidency of the ATHENA European University Alliance and celebrating the University's 720th anniversary. On 9 October, **Eric Blond**, President of the University of Orléans, officially handed over the presidency of the Alliance to Prof **Stefanie Reese**, Rector of Germany's University of

Siegen, who will lead ATHENA for the next year. The official handover ceremony took place at the historic Hôtel Groslot in the presence of the Mayor of Orléans. 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

Ukraine Energy Initiative Lead, university administration discuss energy education, career guidance and more



Representatives of the Ukraine Energy Initiative of the UN Global Compact in Ukraine, led by **Nataliia Khmelovska**, visited the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute to discuss energy education, career guidance of young people, and the involvement of university's experts in sector-specific projects. Read more



Science, technologies to tighten information security: Kyiv Polytechnic expands international cooperation

Romanian scientist and lecturer **Mihai Vacariu**, known for his considerable expertise on the communication theory, philosophy, and the cinematography, together with **Michael Way**, founding trustee of the UK's M St J Way Charitable Trust, and **Leezum Lepcha Way**, specialist at the Trust, paid a working visit to the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute. Topics for the meeting included the use of technology for the automated collection of data from social media and the analysis of information flows in real time, the identification of manipulative content, and the tracking of its sources. Read more

From Kyiv, Zhytomyr to Cranfield: joining forces to restore Ukraine's land



Researchers from the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and the Zhytomyr Polytechnic State University visited UK's Cranfield University under the international SOIL4LIFE-UA project (Ukrainian-Led Twinning for Bioremediation of Post-Conflict Soils). The project is intended to strengthen scientific cooperation in the study and restoration of soils contaminated by hostilities and human-induced environmental impacts. The format of the visit included practical training sessions, tours of modern laboratories and research

facilities, scientific discussions, and strategic meetings focused on furthering international cooperation. 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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