

Supporting researchers of Ukraine through the EURsearch4Ukraine platform

The European Commission is ready to join forces with the Member States to set up a platform which will be dedicated to the needs of researchers of Ukraine by providing them with a one-stop-shop of existing actions at European and national levels (hereinafter referred to as the “EURsearch4Ukraine” platform).

The key objective of EURsearch4Ukraine will be to provide an overview of support opportunities at national and international levels for graduate students and researchers directly affiliated to Ukrainian academic institutions.

Taking into account the urgency of setting up EURsearch4Ukraine, we suggest to base it on EURAXESS, whose main purpose is to support researcher mobility. Indeed, EURAXESS¹ is a well-established network of roughly 600 centres set up in 43 countries including EU Member States and Associated countries and in eight regions worldwide. The network offers services to researchers in support of their mobility and relocation and relies on a network of portals at European and national levels. Indicatively it had some 1,9 million page views per month on average in 2021.

Already in 2015, EURAXESS launched the “Science4Refugees” initiative, which aims at helping refugee scientists and researchers find suitable jobs while putting their skills and experience to good use in Europe's research system. Science4Refugees is an existing EURAXESS initiative which provides research refugee friendly internships, part-time and full-time jobs, and access to a European Research Community. Science4Refugees is largely used by the EURAXESS network. For instance, there are currently 446 open offers dedicated to refugees out of a total of 5714, while 368 researchers refugees are registered on Science4Refugees.

EURsearch4Ukraine will be visible and accessible from the main page of the European EURAXESS portal. Information on the EU page will also be translated in Ukrainian. It will provide information across three main categories: 1) Member States and Associated countries 2) EU support, and 3) Other support initiatives.

At the level of Member States and Associated countries, information will be managed by the countries, following five categories. Member States and Associate countries will be kindly requested to provide the necessary hyperlinks to the national official sources regarding: **housing; job offers; find your embassy in country X; recognition of diplomas; other services**. The administrators of the EURAXESS national portals (see Annex) will be requested to publish a dedicated page containing information following the five categories mentioned above. Moreover, on each national portal there will be a link to the main page of the European EURAXESS portal.

At the level of EU support, information will be provided about:

- “EU solidarity with Ukraine” an EU hub of all initiatives supporting Ukrainians.
- “MSCA – Researchers at risk” which outlines the role of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Guidelines for the Inclusion of Researchers at Risk.
- Link to Commission President von der Leyen’s page in response to the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and Commissioner Gabriel’s page on the Ukrainian crisis.

¹ <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/>

- Commission's Funding and Tender's portal on research related funding opportunities.
- Other initiatives such as those of the ERC, EIT, School Education Gateway and Erasmus+.
- Science4Refugees flagging that researchers of Ukraine are eligible to benefit from the Science4Refugees initiative. Moreover, in order to avoid any bureaucratic requirements, they will be informed that they are NOT required to hold the refugee status.

At the level of other support initiatives, information will be provided about Science4Ukraine, a community group of volunteer students and research scientists from academic institutions in Europe and around the world which aim at collecting and disseminating information about support opportunities at the university, national, and international levels for graduate students and researchers directly affiliated to a Ukraine academic institution.

Other relevant initiatives will be added as soon as available.

ANNEX: List of National portals

Main EURAXESS portal: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/>

National portals:

- ALBANIA: <https://www.euraxess.al/>
- ARMENIA: <https://www.euraxess.am/>
- AUSTRIA: <https://www.euraxess.at/>
- BELGIUM: <https://www.euraxess.be/>
- BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: <https://www.euraxess.ba/>
- BULGARIA: <https://www.euraxess.bg/>
- CROATIA: <https://www.euraxess.hr/>
- CYPRUS: <https://www.euraxess.org.cy/>
- CZECH REPUBLIC: <https://www.euraxess.cz/>
- DENMARK: <https://www.euraxess.dk/>
- ESTONIA: <https://www.euraxess.ee/>
- FAROE ISLANDS: <https://www.euraxess.fo/>
- FINLAND: <https://www.euraxess.fi/>
- FRANCE: <https://www.euraxess.fr/>
- GEORGIA: <https://www.euraxess.ge/>
- GERMANY: <https://www.euraxess.de/>
- GREECE: <https://www.euraxess.gr/>
- HUNGARY: <https://www.euraxess.hu/>
- ICELAND: <https://www.euraxess.is/>
- IRELAND: <https://www.euraxess.ie/>
- ISRAEL: <https://www.euraxess.org.il/>
- ITALY: <https://www.euraxess.it/>
- LATVIA: <https://www.euraxess.lv/>
- LITHUANIA: <https://www.euraxess.lt/>
- LUXEMBOURG: <https://www.euraxess.lu/>
- MALTA: <https://www.euraxess.org.mt/>
- MOLDOVA: <https://www.euraxess-eu.md/>
- MONTENEGRO: <https://www.euraxess.me/>
- NETHERLANDS: <https://www.euraxess.nl/>
- NORTH MACEDONIA: <https://www.euraxess.mk/>
- NORWAY: <https://www.euraxess.no/>
- POLAND: <https://www.euraxess.pl/>
- PORTUGAL: <https://www.euraxess.pt/>
- ROMANIA: <https://www.euraxess.gov.ro/>
- SERBIA: <https://www.euraxess.rs/>
- SLOVAKIA: <https://www.euraxess.sk/>
- SLOVENIA: <https://www.euraxess.si/>
- SPAIN: <https://www.euraxess.es/>
- SWEDEN: <https://www.euraxess.se/>
- SWITZERLAND: <https://www.euraxess.ch/>
- TURKEY: <https://www.euraxess.org.tr/>
- UNITED KINGDOM: <https://www.euraxess.org.uk/>

EURAXESS Worldwide:

- ASEAN: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/asean>
- CHINA: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/china>
- INDIA: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/india>
- JAPAN: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/japan>
- LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN STATES:
<https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/brazil>
- NORTH AMERICA: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/north-america>
- KOREA: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/south-korea>
- AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/worldwide/australia-nz>