

## EVTA stands against the war in Ukraine

The European Vocational Training Association (EVTA), as an organisation built on European foundations and values, has peace and freedom deeply rooted in its DNA.

We strongly condemn the Russian Federation's attack and continued aggression against Ukraine, which, through its armed activities, has violated international legal obligations, but in particular the standards of international humanitarian law, causing significant loss of life to civilians and civilian infrastructure.

EVTA, as an association supporting education and vocational training, is willing to partner with the European institutions and Civil Society Organisations to identify opportunities to support educational institutions in Ukraine, not only during the war, but also after it, as an opportunity to fund activities to restore education in the country.

We hope that the resulting conflict will be settled peacefully as soon as possible, thus halting the gross violations of international law that have no place among civilised states in the 21st century and are causing unimaginable suffering, especially for the civilian population of Ukraine.

The board and the secretariat of EVTA are working together to implement some concrete actions of support. More information will follow in the upcoming weeks. Meanwhile, we wish to support people of Ukraine and would like to invite everyone to do the same by donating to organisations and charities active on the ground. Below, a list of some:

- [Immediate Aid To Ukrainian Refugees](#) set up by Max Rantz-Mc Donald and its team who left their homes in Los Angeles and travelled to Poland to offer aid and support for the Ukrainian people, receiving and helping any refugees they can.
- [Ukraine Crisis Relief Fund](#) supports humanitarian assistance in impacted communities in Ukraine and surrounding regions where Ukrainian refugees have fled, providing shelter, food, and clean water; health and psychosocial support; access to education and economic assistance

- [Razom for Ukraine](#) has been helping Ukrainians since the organisation was first established in 2014 to pursue a democratic society that has civil rights for all. Razom, which means “together” in Ukrainian, believes deeply in the enormous potential of dedicated volunteers around the world united by a single goal: to unlock the potential of Ukraine.
- [Hospitallers](#) is a volunteer paramedic organisation. Founded at the beginning of military action in 2014 their key goals are: help to the wounded on the battlefield; evacuation of the wounded to the hospitals; help in the rehabilitation process; transfer of the deceased to the burial site in Ukraine.
- The [Voices of Children Foundation](#) has been helping children affected by the war since 2015, providing psychological and psychosocial support to overcome the consequences of armed conflict and develop. Today, they are providing non-stop assistance to affected children and families from all over the country, providing emergency psychological assistance, and assisting in the evacuation process.
- [Kyiv School of Economics](#) starts fundraising to help vulnerable groups of people in Ukraine and those who cannot ensure their safety independently. They ask for financial support for humanitarian project of Ukrainian NGOs and local administrations, specifically funding for the volunteer movement, which provides services and support for vulnerable groups in times of crisis; assistance to humanitarian aid centres; organisational and institutional support for both leading and emerging during the crisis civic initiatives to establish and preserve Ukraine's intellectual sovereignty.

EVTA members stand united against the war in Ukraine!

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