

KMAcademic Talks: International Law and the War



What?

KMAcademic Talks: International Law and the War is a series of webinars on the pressing issues of international law amid the Russian aggression against Ukraine. Initially launched by the NaUKMA Law Faculty, *KMAcademic Talks* will feature NaUKMA scholars from across the institution engaging Ukrainian diaspora, alumni, friends and supporters on topics of interest all around the globe.

Why?

- To **arm the Ukrainian diaspora with strong legal argumentation** on the illegality of the Russian aggression against Ukraine and subsequent violations of international law.
- To establish a **permanent exchange platform** between NaUKMA scholars, Ukrainians abroad and diverse groups of societies in the respective countries.
- To make unique legal expertise, provided by NaUKMA scholars, **publicly accessible**. That will **empower public discourse** in the respective countries with capacity to maintain **long-term support for Ukraine abroad**.

How?

A series of **online meetings (April-June, 2024), 60-90 min each:**

- *5-10 min — Welcoming remarks.*
- *30-40 min — Lecture/workshop/panel discussion:*
 - led by a NaUKMA legal scholar, who presents their research;
 - the exact format (lecture/panel discussion etc.) may vary (depends on a topic and audience);
 - representatives of the Ukrainian government and human rights organisations might join a NaUKMA presenter as co-speakers (depends on their availability and a topic);
 - topics include but are not limited to: genocide against the Ukrainian nation, reparations for atrocity survivors, conflict-related sexual violence, environmental impact of the attack on the Kakhovka dam, illegality of territorial bargains, sanctions, state and individual accountability for aggression.
- *20-30 min — Q&A.*
- *5-10 min — Concluding remarks.*

For Whom?

The meetings are intended to provide expert knowledge about the legal aspects of the war to a lay audience. Members of the Ukrainian diaspora and supporters of Ukraine from various professional backgrounds and diverse experiences are invited.

A warm interpersonal bridge between NaUKMA and Ukraine's diaspora and informational support are provided by the **Ukrainian World Congress**.

For more information about the project and to discuss cooperation in organizing the webinars please **contact us at:** lawtalks@ukma.edu.ua.

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