

The Groningen Declaration Network (GDN) strongly condemns the shocking and violent assault on Ukraine, and the violation of the human rights of innocent civilians. As an organization that is built on the values of international trust, cooperation, and inclusion, the GDN emphatically believes that the autonomy of Ukraine must be respected.

There are hundreds of higher education institutions in Ukraine, educating over 1.5 million students, including 76,000 international students from 155 countries. The GDN calls on its international network to extend meaningful help to Ukrainian refugees, including international students who were pursuing their education in Ukraine, by supporting the preservation, transfer, and recognition of their educational credentials so they may rebuild their lives and continue to flourish, in spite of the current atrocities.

The devastation is heartbreaking, but Ukrainians are demonstrating great strength in the face of such adversity. Only through peace, respect for human rights, and international cooperation will the world's people flourish.



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