



Wall of memory to fallen soldiers (Kyiv)



Irpin' (satellite city of Kyiv)

# HUMAN LOSSES OF UKRAINE

- ✓ **31 thousand** Ukrainian soldiers died  
(Volodymyr Zelensky, *President of Ukraine*, 2024)
- ✓ **10,582** civilians killed and  
**19,875** injured
- ✓ including **587** children killed and  
**1,298** injured  
(report of the *UN Office for Human Rights*, 2024)



**Neil Gaiman**  @neilhimself · 1 год

Rule 1: don't fuck with librarians.



**Nicholas Poole** @NickPoole1 · 6 год

Bloody hell. Looking at a message from the Ukraine Library Association concerning the cancellation of their forthcoming conference. it basically says "We will reschedule just as soon as we h...

[Показати цей потік](#)

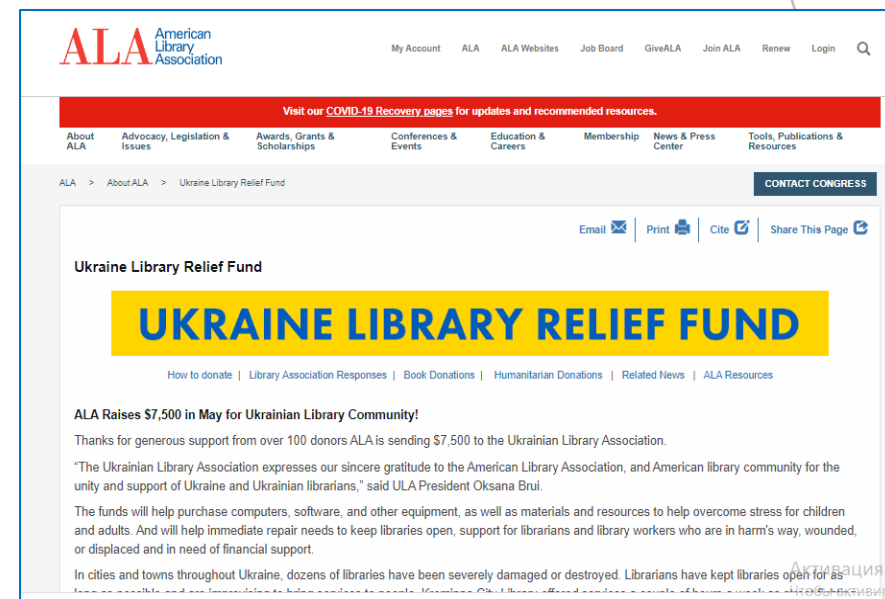
# 4. UKRAINIAN LIBRARIES IN THE WAR. LEADERSHIP

◆ **БІБЛІОТЕКА -  
РАЗОМ  
МОЖЕМО  
БІЛЬШЕ!**



# UKRAINIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION LEADS, HELPS AND SUPPORTS LIBRARIES

- ✓ Financial support for librarians in difficult circumstances due to the war - **from March 2022 until now**
- ✓ Support for the reopening of libraries - the Fund for Assistance to Libraries of Ukraine - **from June 2022 until now**
- ✓ Psychological support for librarians - **from April 2022 until now**
- ✓ Many different library projects for many different topics – **all time since 1995**





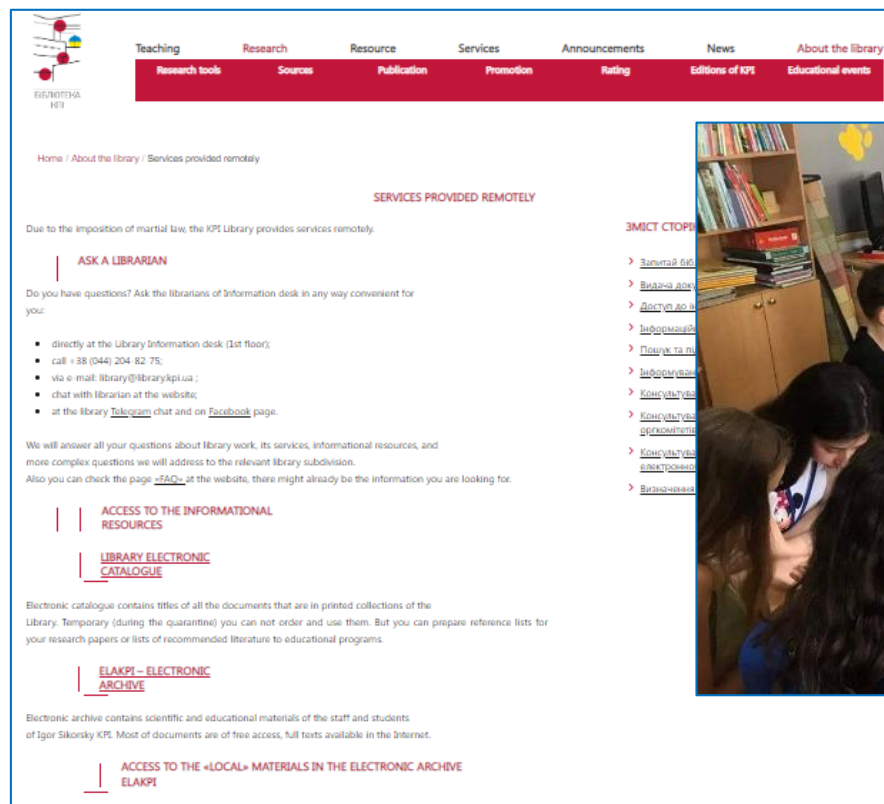
# LIBRARY LEADERSHIP IN UKRAINE IN THE TIME OF WAR

- ✓ Libraries are at the frontline of solving the challenges and needs of people, communities, and society
- ✓ Libraries strengthen their subjectivity, take initiative and take responsibility
- ✓ ULA leads, helps and supports libraries

# LIBRARIES ARE UNBREAKABLE

Libraries provide services both physically and distantly

New models of library activities as answers to challenges



The screenshot shows the website for the KPI Library. The navigation menu includes: Teaching, Research, Resource, Services, Announcements, News, and About the library. Sub-menus under these categories include: Research tools, Sources, Publication, Promotion, Rating, Editions of KPI, and Educational events. The main content area is titled "SERVICES PROVIDED REMOTELY" and states: "Due to the imposition of martial law, the KPI Library provides services remotely." It features a section "ASK A LIBRARIAN" with contact information: directly at the library information desk (1st floor), call +38 (044) 204 82 75, via email library@library.kpi.ua, chat with librarian at the website, and at the library Telegram chat and on Facebook page. Below this, there are sections for "ACCESS TO THE INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES", "LIBRARY ELECTRONIC CATALOGUE", "ELAKPI - ELECTRONIC ARCHIVE", and "ACCESS TO THE «LOCAL» MATERIALS IN THE ELECTRONIC ARCHIVE ELAKPI".



2022 /  
2023

**Users**

13 653 200 /  
12 597 500

**Physical visits**

246 180 000 /  
84 926 000

**Online visits**

79 636 700 /  
175 771 700

# LIBRARY AS A CENTER OF LOCAL COMMUNITY

Reconstruction and opening of new public libraries – 115



New library in Dernove town (Sumy region)

# LIBRARIES FOR SAFETY



Training 'First Aid for Civilians' in Yaroslav Mudryi National Library of Ukraine

# LIBRARIES FOR SAFETY

- ✓ Ukraine has **174,000 km<sup>2</sup>** of potentially mined areas.
- ✓ **20,000 km<sup>2</sup>** and **12,000 homes** have been cleared of mines  
(*State Emergency Service of Ukraine*)
  
- ✓ Mines and explosive devices killed **246 civilians**, including **13 children**.  
**521 people** were injured, including **53 children**  
(*Ministry of Defence of Ukraine*)



Mine safety training in Kyiv-Polytechnic Library

# BOMB SHELTERS IN LIBRARIES



Онлайновий семінар  
«Створення безпечного  
укриття у бібліотеці»

в межах проєкту  
«Бібліотека як безпечне місце»

березень 2024 р.

Project 'Library as a Safe Place'  
started in 2022

*Ukrainian Library Association*  
*Goethe Institute*



Shelter in Lviv Regional Library for children

# SMART SHELTER CLUST SPACE - CREATIVE INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL SPACE IN THE KYIV POLYTECHNIC LIBRARY

**600 sq m**

**150 people in regular conditions  
500+ people in the shelter**

- ✓ Coworking/event space
- ✓ Rooms for group work
- ✓ Skype rooms
- ✓ Books in open access
- ✓ Areas for relaxation
- ✓ Kitchen
- ✓ Inclusive sanitary area



**72 hours in autonomous mode**

- ✓ Water filtration
- ✓ Ventilation with radiation and chemical filters
- ✓ Connection to a generator

# BLACKOUTS AND LIBRARIES



Unbreakable Point in Tatarbuniar Central Library  
(Odesa region)



Director Yaroslav Mudryi National  
Library of Ukraine with a generator

# LIBRARIES AS LOGISTIC CENTERS FOR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS



Lviv Public Libraries



Lviv Region Library for Children

# THERAPY EVENTS FOR WAR VICTIMS

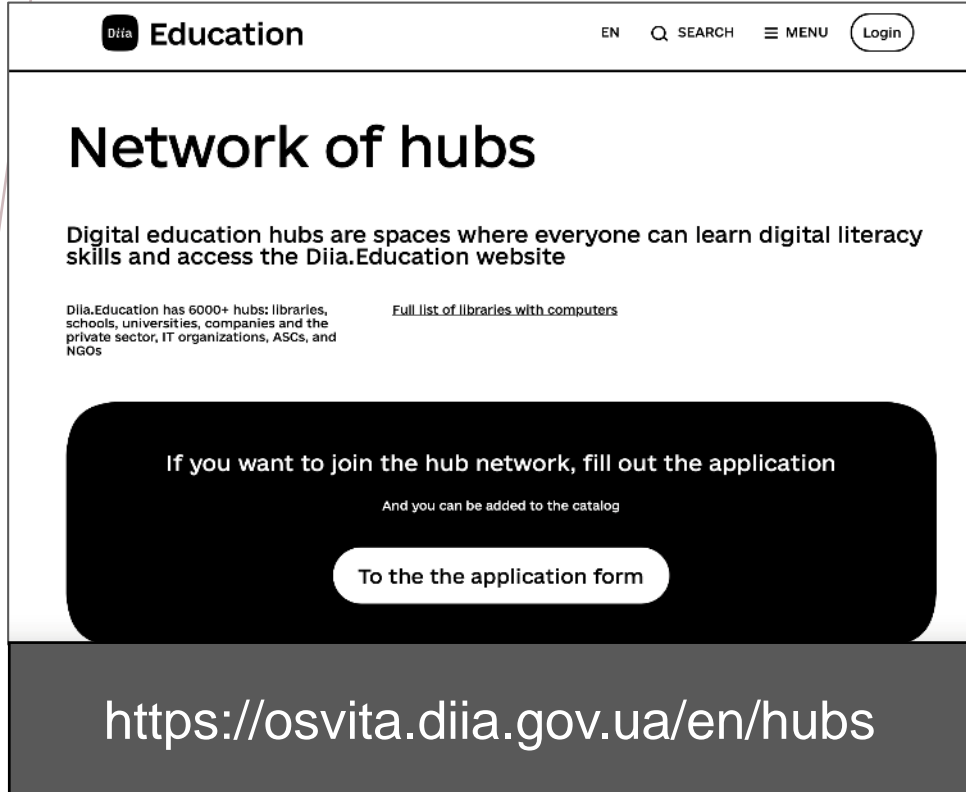


Lviv Region Library for Children



Library for Children in  
Chernivtsi

# LIBRARIES AS DIGITAL EDUCATION HUBS



The screenshot shows the Diia Education website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Diia Education logo, language options (EN), a search bar, a menu icon, and a login button. The main heading is 'Network of hubs'. Below it, a sub-heading reads: 'Digital education hubs are spaces where everyone can learn digital literacy skills and access the Diia.Education website'. A paragraph of text states: 'Diia.Education has 6000+ hubs: libraries, schools, universities, companies and the private sector, IT organizations, ASCs, and NGOs'. A link is provided: 'Full list of libraries with computers'. A large black button contains the text: 'If you want to join the hub network, fill out the application' and 'And you can be added to the catalog'. Below this is a white button with the text: 'To the the application form'. At the bottom of the screenshot, a dark grey bar contains the URL: <https://osvita.diia.gov.ua/en/hubs>

Project 'Library as Digital education hubs' started in 2020

*Ukrainian Library Association  
Ministry of Digital Transformation  
UNDP*



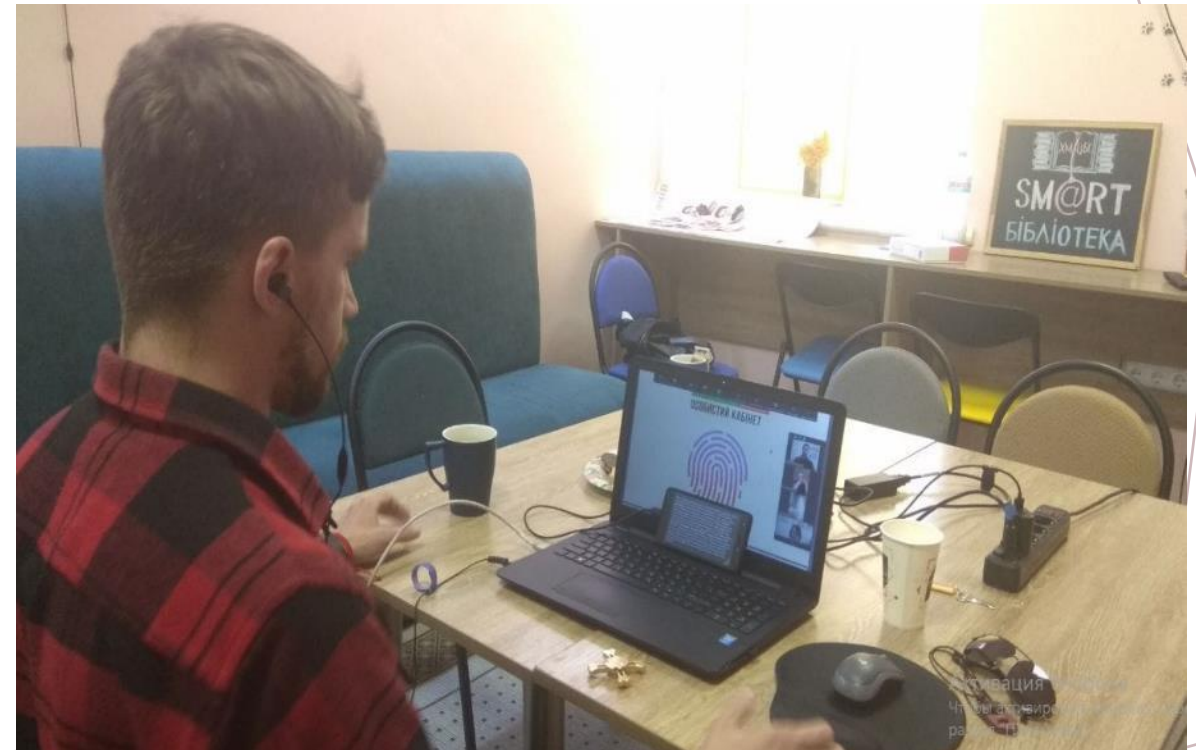
Kopychynetsk city library

# LIBRARIES FOR MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY



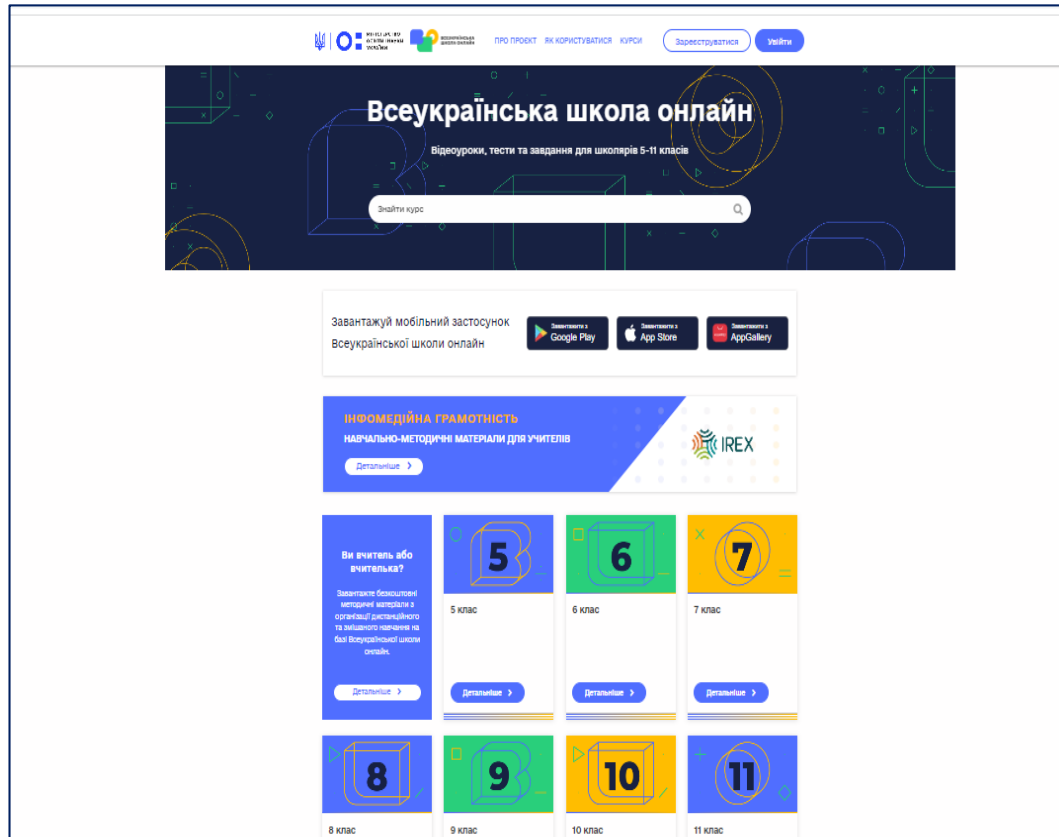
Video lectures and video meetings on info-hygiene

*Ukrainian Library Association  
«How not to become a vegetable»*



Khmelnytsky City Library  
Training on cybersecurity

# "ALL-UKRAINIAN ONLINE SCHOOL" IN LIBRARIES



Digital platform for online learning



Library in Koselshchyna (Poltava region)

# STUDY FOREIGN LANGUAGES IN LIBRARIES



Library of University of Food Technology  
Germany speaking club



Khmelnysk Regional Library  
English speaking club

# STUDY OF THE UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE IN LIBRARIES

Kyiv local government survey via a mobile application "Digital Kyiv" – 2023

- ✓ 33% - changed the language of communication from Russian to Ukrainian after
- ✓ 86% - Ukrainian is the mother languages
- ✓ 12% - Russian is the mother languages



Khmelnytsk Regional Library  
Speaking club "Tell me in Ukrainian"

# LIBRARIES SAVE CULTURAL HERITAGE

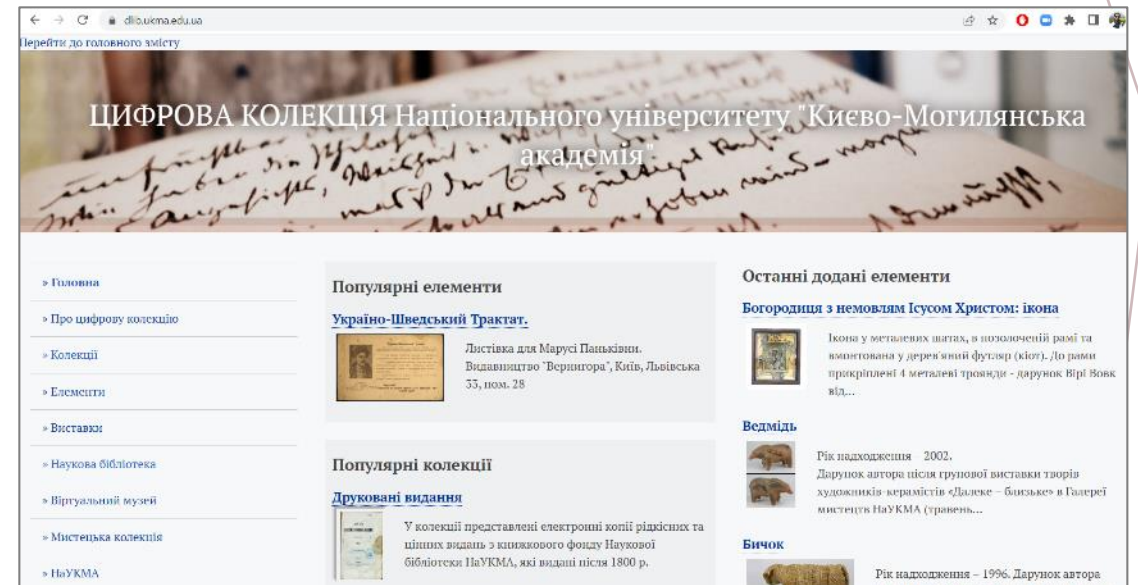
‘Those who do not remember their past are not worthy of their future’

*(Maksym Rylsky, Ukrainian writer)*

- ✓ more than **20 mln** documental heritage
  - ✓ less than **1 %** of documental heritage have been digitized
- (Survey-2023 by ULA)*



Digital library 'Culture of Ukraine' by Yaroslav Mudryi National Library of Ukraine



Digital collection of Kyiv Mohyla Academy Library

# LIBRARIES SAVE CULTURAL HERITAGE

- ✓ Ukrainian Library Association coordinates the project 'Creation of the National Electronic Library of Ukraine', supported by UNESCO

<https://ndlu.ula.org.ua>

## National Digital Library of Ukraine

### I stage – 2023

- ✓ to learn international and Ukrainian experience
- ✓ to develop Concept, Roadmap and Budget



# LIBRARIES SAVE CULTURAL HERITAGE



## Mobile stations for saving library documents

- ✓ ARCH 1 is a mobile station for preservation and restoration
- ✓ ARCH 1 is a mobile station for digitization

*National Library of Czech Republic*

*Yaroslav Mudryi National Library of Ukraine*

*Ukrainian Library Association*

# LIBRARIES CREATE AND SAVE NEW HISTORY

Archiving documents about the  
Russian-Ukrainian war

*Ukrainian Library Association and Portico*



Спільне архівування документів про  
Війну в Україні 2022 року

**Portico**  
Working with libraries and publishers  
to preserve scholarly content

Portico is a community-supported preservation archive that safeguards access to e-journals, e-books, and digital collections. Our unique, trusted process ensures that the content we preserve will remain accessible and usable for researchers, scholars, and students in the future.

We join with DPC and other member organizations in calls to preserve historical, cultural, and informational resources amidst the crisis in Ukraine.

[Read the statement](#)



Vinnytsia Regional Universal Scientific  
Library

Project "Voices of living history" collects  
military and civilian evidences about the  
Russian-Ukrainian war

# LIBRARIES ARE AMBASSADORS AND DRIVERS OF OPEN SCIENCE

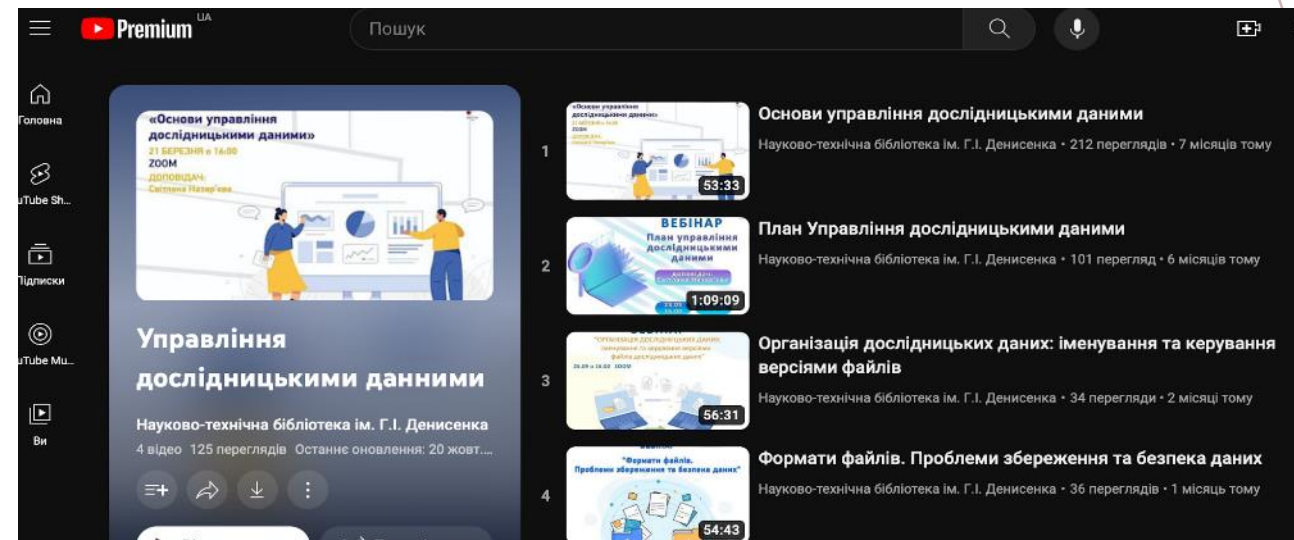
- ✓ **2005** – Ukrainian libraries started to work with Open Access
- ✓ **2006** – the first institutional repository - Ukrainian Catholic University
- ✓ **2022** – National plan of Open Science
- ✓ **2022** – the first university policy on Open Science – National Technical University of Ukraine "Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute"

## Ukrainian Library Association and Open Science

- ✓ Cooperation with Ministry of Education and Science
- ✓ Advocacy at the government level
- ✓ Section of University Libraries for librarian competency

## Libraries are centers of OS competency

- ✓ Open Access Journals
- ✓ Open Access to Conference Proceedings
- ✓ Institutional Repositories
- ✓ Open Education Resources
- ✓ Open Research Data



Open Research Data webinars by Kyiv-Polytechnic Library

# THE UKRAINIAN AND INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY COMMUNITIES ARE TOGETHER TO MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE WAR



## Libraries for Ukraine

Our thoughts are with the People of Ukraine

Throughout Europe, public libraries have a proud tradition of welcoming everyone.

We – EBLIDA, NAPLE and Public Libraries 2030 – call upon this tradition of libraries to give a warm welcome, a safe place to Ukrainian refugees during this difficult time. Provide them with whatever support they can offer, books and other media as well as access to information and education.

As far as possible, libraries may help continue refugees' education, especially of children and young people, and organize courses to acquire first elements of the language of the hosting countries. We also urge libraries to connect with national and local organizations that provide assistance (Sanctuary cities, Sant'Egidio community, etc.).

NAPLE  
FORUM  
NATIONAL AUTHORITIES ON PUBLIC LIBRARIES IN EUROPE



PUBLIC LIBRARIES 2030  
CONNECT. INNOVATE. ADVOCATE.



COSEELIS – Council for Slavonic and East European Library and Information Services



International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions



# THE UKRAINIAN AND INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY COMMUNITIES ARE TOGETHER TO MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE WAR



deutscher  
bibliotheks  
verband

biblio}suise



The library  
and information  
association



DANMARKS  
BIBLIOTEKSFÖRENING



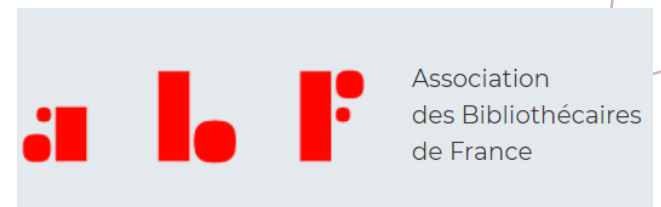
ALA  
American  
Library  
Association



SUOMEN  
KIRJASTO  
SEURA



skip



# THE UKRAINIAN AND INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY COMMUNITIES ARE TOGETHER TO MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE WAR



BIBLIOTEKA  
NARODOWA

NATIONAL  
LIBRARY  
OF ESTONIA



LATVIJAS  
NACIONĀLĀ  
BIBLIOTĒKA



**TIB** LEIBNIZ INFORMATION CENTRE  
FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

**LIBRARY** LIBRARY  
OF CONGRESS

**SDU**



BIBLIOTEKET  
National Library  
of Sweden



**l,** National and University  
Library of Iceland

NATIONAL AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY IN ZAGREB



# 4. UKRAINIAN LIBRARIES AND FUTURE OF UKRAINE

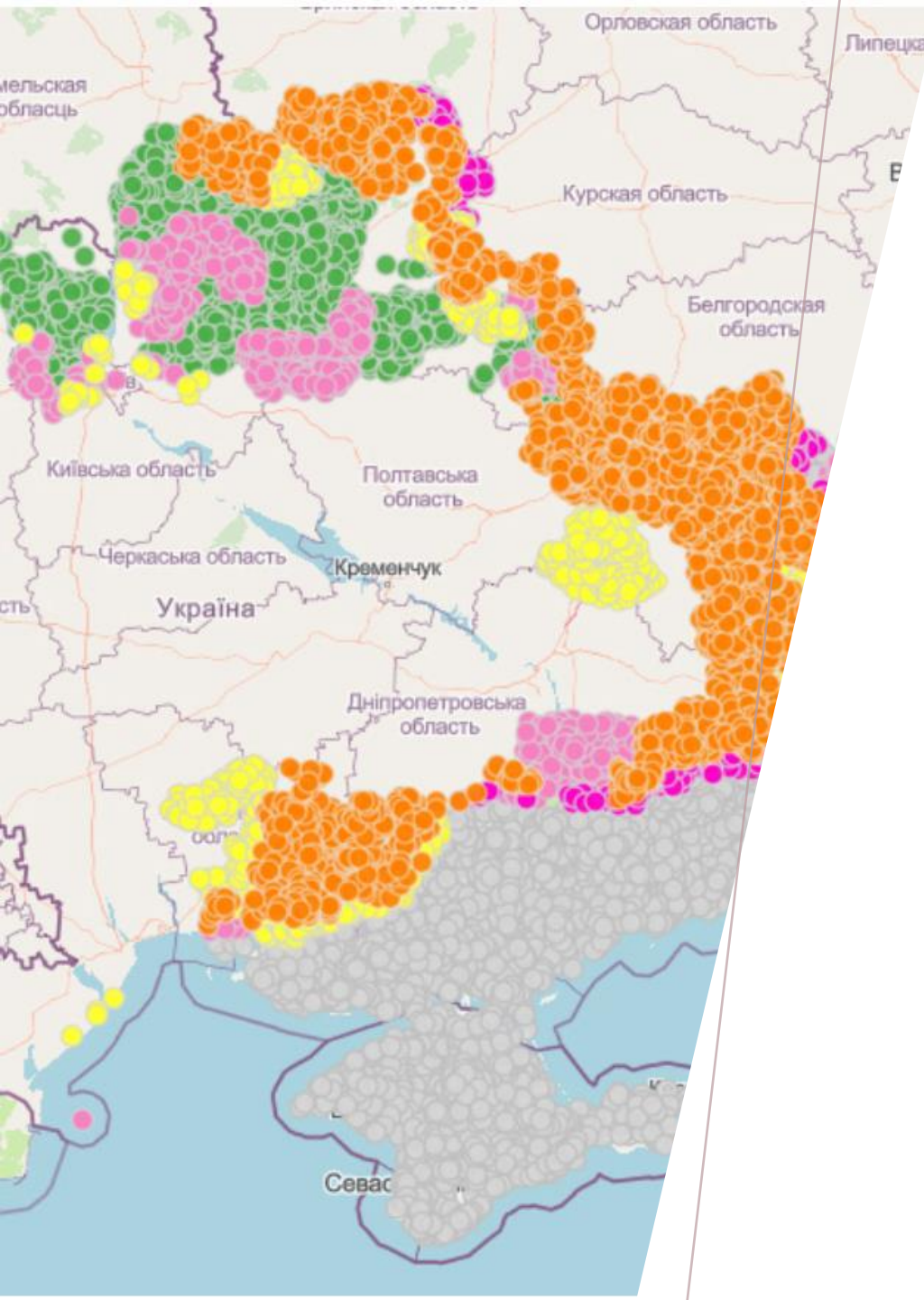


# UKRAINIAN LIBRARIES. VISION

Libraries are a space for co-operation,  
a place of strength, growth and  
maturation for

- ✓ people of the future
- ✓ the future of the community
- ✓ the future of Ukraine





# UKRAINIAN LIBRARIES. VISION

Libraries are a key player and a fulcrum

- ✓ for the development of human capital
- ✓ for the reintegration of the de-occupied territories
- ✓ for post-war recovery
- ✓ for the development of an economically strong and democratic Ukraine

# ? AFTER THE VICTORY OR RIGHT NOW

Managing the future

All our decisions and actions today have an impact on the future



# LIBRARY LEADERSHIP FOR THE FUTURE OF UKRAINE

