

## Statement on Ukraine crisis

The IGI would like to express our solidarity with the Ukrainian people at this very difficult time. The IGI condemns the Russian invasion, and a peaceful resolution is needed immediately. The following steps have been undertaken by the IGI in recent days:

- A donation has been made to the Irish Red Cross
- Contact has been made with the following stakeholder groups to explore any options of support which we can offer (e.g. by way of professional recognition, membership, networking etc. for any geoscientist refugees):
  - Recruit Refugees Ireland
  - European Federation of Geologists
  - Eurogeosurveys
  - Refugees Council

We welcome any suggestions of support or helpful initiatives that could be progressed from the IGI membership or the Irish Geoscience Network.

The European Federation of Geologists (EFG) in conjunction with the Ukrainian Association of Geologists (UAG) has set up a response task force. It will centre around support in the following areas: Logistic, Financial, Welfare etc. Further information will follow so the IGI or individual members can assist where possible.

Any Ukrainian geoscientists can contact the office and we will try our best to assist via our network.

A number of useful links are below: <u>https://www.irishrefugeecouncil.ie/ukraine-information-note</u> <u>https://registerofpledges.redcross.ie/</u>

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