Ukraine

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National Teacher programs @ CERN

- Last in person Ukrainian National Teacher program in April 2019
  - This program introduced a program of “Ukrainian Honorary Ambassadors of CERN Science” for all the alumni (~200 teachers at the moment)
- COVID impact:
  - March 2020 program was canceled last minute
  - Replaced by scientific webinars of “Ukrainian Club of Honorary Ambassadors of CERN Science” (over 30 in the last 2 years)
    - Latest one 20/01/2022 “Ethical problems of modern science” by Prof. V. Grinchenko
- Change in CERN local coordinator for national programs: Dariia Ternova takes over from Tetiana Hryn’ova (end of 2021)
- First online Ukrainian Teacher program @ CERN 24-28/01/2022
  - Attendance: 104 people (60% completed their research project linked with the program)
- Plan to continue online activities in 2022: introduction of online program for pupils
The war started on Feb 24th @ 4am

Due to limited advance in the ground offense Russian army strategy switched to aerial attacks on civilian targets: over 100 children are killed, ~500 educational institutions damaged and about 70 destroyed completely.

Civilians trapped in Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Izyum, Kyiv, Mykolaiv and Mariupol.
Some photos from Kharkiv
Escaping the war

Population of Ukraine 44 million

School-age children ~5.7 million (3-17 y.o.)

~6.5 million men, women and children internally displaced, [UN migration agency, IOM 21/03/2022]

~3.5 million people (mostly women and children) crossed international borders out of Ukraine as refugees [UNHCR]
Education issues

Schooling in Ukraine restarted on March 14th in person where possible or online.

Integration of children who left Ukraine into school system is more complex: language barrier, exact organization is not yet clear, country-dependent:

- this will require significant investment in terms of money and resources
- use local system or ukrainian-specific schools?

Quite a few programs open for those enrolled in universities:

- BUT missing category those who are in the last year of the school and plan to enter university in September: need to have strategy for those kids.

Thank you to everyone for your help and support.

Слава Україні! Героям слава! Glory to Ukraine! Glory to the Heros!