

IUPAP resolution regarding international conferences in this time of crisis

IUPAP, during the darkest days of the cold war, apartheid and many other difficult political eras over the past 100 years, has always strived to do two things with care and responsibility:

- i) Kept open the channels for scientific cooperation across all political and other divides in the hope and expectation that enhanced scientific collaborations were important means to develop improved understandings among different peoples, contributing to world peace; and
- ii) Expressed its concerns about any activity, including war, that negatively impacted our ability to scientifically engage on a global scale, hence impacting negatively on (i), above.

IUPAP has issued a statement on the Russian invasion of Ukraine (<https://iupap.org/2022/03/01/iupap-statement-on-the-events-occurring-in-ukraine-2022-03-01/>) in accordance with (ii) above.

It will be inappropriate for IUPAP to bar any scientist, especially from a member nation, from any scientific activity in accordance with (i) above. As long as the work upholds the ethics and principles of science in its highest ideals, for example, does not contribute to weapons capabilities, IUPAP sees no reason to disallow participation of Russian scientist 'in the affairs of the Union.

The IUPAP Executive Council