



**Kyiv  
Representative Office  
Polish Academy of Sciences**

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# History of PAS Office in Kyiv

- established in 2012
- since April 2020 - remotely from Poland (no available premises in Kyiv)
- main partner: National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine

## Structure/Team

- Mateusz Biały, Director (acting)



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# Background info on science in UA

- Internal turmoil in the country since ... / war since 2014...
- general level of development
- reform in a pipeline
- (very very...) limited budget - lower salaries/ limited opportunities
- the number of scientists is decreasing
- threat of a brain drain (generation gap)
- many scholars are IDPs from the Eastern part of the country



## Why the office exists?

- to increase visibility of the PAS in UA/among UA scholars
- to support development and deepening of bilateral cooperation between PAS institutes/experts and Ukrainian research institutions
- as a contact point for PL/UA research institutions
- The representative office **is not** a profiled research unit



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## What kind of activities is organised/planned?

- conferences / workshops (PL/UA), off-line
- study visits / summer schools (to PL)
- online trainings
- \*support to PAS activities - ie. short-, long-term programs for researchers from Ukraine who currently are in Poland
- \*other - visits to UA (Kyiv)



## What I can do for you

- Cover travel expenses for person-to-person events
- Cover other expenses related to conferences/workshops/etc.
- Searching for partner organisations/institutions
- Friendly advice and support\* (not a travel agency)
- Know your partner in UA (is MoU always needed?)
- ...



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## What I **can't** do for you

- buy equipment for partners in UA
- pay salaries to partners in UA
- grant scholarships
- find a job for someone from UA
- fund/support events where PAS is not represented
- \*fund *ad hoc* ideas „for tomorrow's conference”
- help with evacuation from occupied territories, etc.
- ...



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# What I am looking for?

- Good ideas for bilateral initiatives 😊 - ALL fields
- Information on:
  - Bilateral events that you organise with partners in UA
  - Your „success stories”
  - Your official visits to UA





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