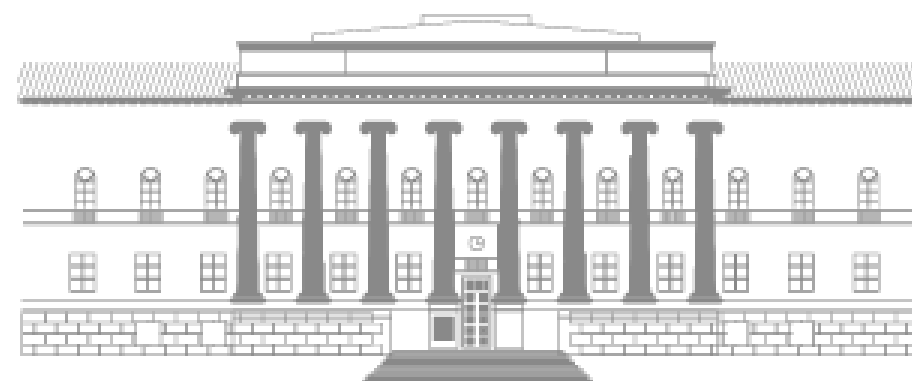


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REDEFINING ACADEMIC PUBLISHING IN UKRAINE: NATIONAL JOURNAL RANKINGS FOR A EUROPEAN FUTURE

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The Ukrainian Context: Why Reform Now?

The Scale:

A national list of nearly 1,700 academic journals.

The Gap:

Of these, only a small fraction (~150) are indexed in Scopus or Web of Science.

Primary Purpose:

Official recognition for PhD dissertations, academic titles, and research funding.

The problem is significant concerns regarding editorial transparency, peer review integrity, and overall scientific quality.

There is a need for a rigorous, transparent, and internationally harmonised framework.

Fostering a National Diamond OA Ecosystem in Ukraine

The Challenge: Journals need support for EU integration and sustainability without high APCs.

The Initiative: A new government funding program (Resolution No. 1032) to support the national, non-commercial publishing sector.

Core Principle #1: **Diamond OA v. Commercial Publishers**

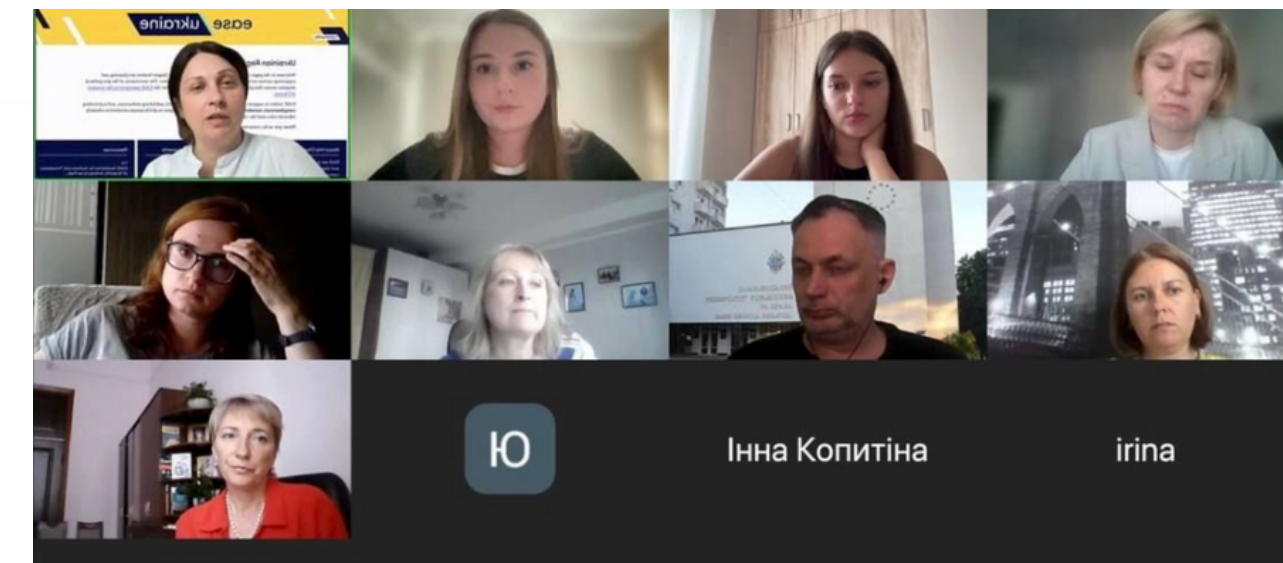
- Targets high-quality institutional journals (Q1/Q2).
- Condition: Free publication for Ukrainian authors.
- Empowers a community-owned, "no-fee-for-authors" model.

Core Principle #2: **Strategic Funding for Quality**

- Funds are earmarked for capacity building and international best practices (e.g., **professional editing**, translation, plagiarism software, training and **editors salaries!**).

The Goal: Build a robust, independent, and high-quality scholarly publishing infrastructure aligned with European Open Science values.

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The Response: A New Regulatory Framework

The Goal: A multi-faceted evaluation system inspired by European models and global initiatives (DORA, CoARA).

Updated Three Tiered Structure:

Category “A”: Journals indexed in Web of Science Core Collection and/or Scopus.

Category “B”: A curated, limited list of national journals meeting rigorous new criteria.

Category “C” with outsiders

Key Innovations:

A three-year update cycle for **continuous monitoring**.

Strict requirements for **editorial boards** and **peer review**.

Formal mechanisms to combat **unethical publishing** - predatory practices.

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Defining and Combating Unethical Publishing

Formal Definitions Introduced:

Predatory Practices: Systematic actions for profit that neglect ethical standards and peer review.

Paper Mills: Dishonest organisations selling authorship, citations, or entire articles.

The new regulation provides a formal list of such practices and clear mechanisms for exclusion.

***The Challenge:** Definitions must evolve with the landscape. The long-term solution is education and empowerment.*

Raising the Bar: New Standards for Editors & Boards

Editorial Board Composition (Category "B"):

Minimum of 9 qualified scholars.

No more than 1/3 from the founder's institution.

At least 1/3 from foreign institutions.

Individual Scholarly Requirements:

At least 3 publications in WoS/Scopus in the last 5 years or recognized equivalents (e.g., **3 verified peer reviews**, grant leadership, monograph).

Professionalisation: A national standard for the "Scientific Editor" qualification is under development.

The Commission: Engine of Quality and Ethics

The Commission on Publication Ethics and Journal Evaluation.

Mission: To form the national list and champion publication ethics based on COPE guidelines.

Composition: Independent, leading experts nominated transparently.

Key Responsibilities:

Evaluation: Conducts expert assessment of journals for Category "B".

Standard-Setting: Defines scoring criteria and journal quotas per cluster.

Monitoring & Ethics: Oversees the list and *develops* national ethical guidelines.



A Holistic Approach: Beyond Compliance to Development

The Goal: A constructive, non-punitive approach focused on fostering growth and continuous improvement.

A Foundation for Support: The Ministry has already begun financially supporting leading Ukrainian journals.

Proposed Strategy:

Pilot programs for non-commercial, university-based Open Access journals.

Focus on capacity-building: training on OJS, metadata, and Open Science principles.

Philosophy: Education and support are more valuable than purely formal criteria.

Conclusion: A European Future for Ukrainian Science

A systemic shift from quantity to quality, integrity, and transparency.

The reform should align Ukraine with European and global standards (CoARA, DORA, United2Act).

Moving beyond the "*publish or perish*" paradigm toward a focus on the quality and societal value of research.

A fundamental step towards ensuring the integrity and international competitiveness of Ukrainian science.

Please join the Coalition of support of Ukrainian Science!



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An **International Coalition for Science, Research, and Innovation in Ukraine** was officially launched in Rome today during the [2025 Ukraine Recovery Conference](#) . The joint initiative by the Italian Ministry of University and Research, the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science, UNESCO and the European Commission, marks a significant step in placing science, research and innovation at the heart of Ukraine's sustainable, inclusive and long-term recovery.

The launch was announced by the Italian Minister of University and Research, Anna Maria Bernini; the Ukrainian First Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine, Yevhen Kudriavets; the European Commissioner for Startups, Research, and Innovation, Ekaterina Zaharieva; and UNESCO's Assistant Director-General, Lidia Arthur Brito.





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