

Att: Professor, Dr. Tetyana Kaganovska, President
Karazin Kharkiv National University,
Ukraine
Associate Partner of Aurora European Universities Alliance

Dear Partner and friends at Karazin Kharkiv National University

In this incredibly sad time for Ukraine and its people, I, on behalf of Aurora, want to send you, your university staff and students a message of solidarity, hope and strength to endure. We are shocked and appalled by the actions taken by the Russian government and condemn this unconscionable and unjustified assault on Ukraine's democracy and sovereignty.

We highly appreciate our collaboration and continue to admire your determination to promote strategic partnerships between European universities despite being under a lot of pressure as an institution. We hope to continue this work with you and to support your efforts in promoting democracy, freedom and friendly relationships in the context of the European Universities initiative.

As Aurora universities, we are mapping our collective resources that could possibly support your staff and will share those with you as soon as possible. We firmly support all the efforts being made by international leaders and still hope there will be a resolution without any further escalation of this horrifying situation.

We wish you and your staff, students and families to be safe, and want you to know that we stand strongly in solidarity with you in these extremely difficult times.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jon Atli Benediktsson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Prof. Jon Atli Benediktsson
Aurora President
Rector of the University of Iceland

