



Goal 6. Clean Water and Sanitation.
«Ensure availability and sustainable management
of water and sanitation for all».

Karazin University Participated in the Symposium "Sustainable Development - Current State and Prospects" and the Training Program "European Experience in Strategic Planning for Territorial Development Considering Ecosystem Services for Post-War Reconstruction of Ukraine"



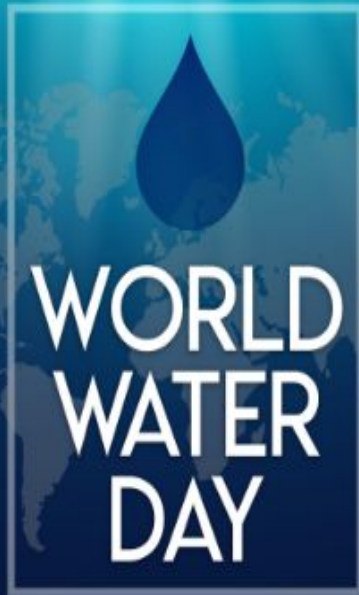
Maryna Hryhorieva, Head of the Global Development Department at Karazin University, participated in the IV International Scientific Symposium "Sustainable Development - Current State and Prospects" and underwent training as part of the international winter school program "European Experience in Strategic Planning for Territorial Development Considering Ecosystem Services for Post-War Reconstruction of Ukraine."

The events took place from February 13 to 16, 2024, in Slavske village (Lviv region). The organizers of the symposium and winter school were the National University "Lviv Polytechnic," the V. Chernovol Institute of Sustainable Development, and the NGO "Mission of Sustainable Development."

The topics covered in the events included ecological balance and sustainable land use, environmental safety, tourism, and hospitality management, environmental expertise of goods, civil security, and current issues of land use. Overall, around 250 researchers from Ukraine and Estonia participated in the symposium.



World Water Day



The General Assembly of the United Nations declared March 22nd as World Water Day.

This day aims to raise awareness about the importance of water for sustaining life on Earth, as well as how rational water resource management contributes to economic development and social well-being. Many representatives of Karazin University have been involved in the study of water resources in our region over the years, advocating for their conservation and careful use. The university's founder, Vasyly Karazin, emphasized the importance of preserving clean and abundant rivers, which are primarily influenced by forest preservation. Today, the Schools of Geology, Geography, Recreation and Tourism, as well as the Education and Research Institute of Ecology at Karazin University, are actively engaged in addressing the challenges of water resource conservation and rational use.

The vital resource that sustains life on Earth is water. It requires our special attention and careful management, especially in the face of environmental challenges. This year's topic for World Water Day is "Using Water for Peace." Despite this, Ukraine faces daily severe environmental challenges due to the war. Pollution of water sources, destroyed infrastructure, and disrupted water resource management pose serious threats to ecological stability.

The destruction of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant became the largest act of terrorism since the Chernobyl nuclear disaster. Over 700,000 people were left without access to water, and the consequences of this catastrophe will be felt for many years. On the night of March 22nd, World Water Day, Russia launched a massive attack on critical infrastructure in Ukraine, including striking the Dnipro Hydroelectric Power Plant with 8 missiles. The facility is currently in critical condition, with soil contamination and oil spills into the Dnipro River recorded as a result of the shelling.

Therefore, we must make every effort to achieve victory over the enemy and remember the principles of rational use of natural resources to maximize the preservation of our environment!

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38 Years Since the Chernobyl Nuclear Disaster: The University Remembers



This day, 38 years ago, the largest disaster in the history of nuclear energy occurred. On April 26, 1986, the Chernobyl disaster claimed thousands of lives and left an irreparable mark on the environment.

We honor the memory of those who saved the world from the consequences of this terrible tragedy. The Chernobyl disaster liquidators sacrificed their health and lives to mitigate the catastrophe's scale and protect us all from the danger of radiation.

Today, Ukrainians not only commemorate the victims but also defend their country from new threats. Ukraine is once again at the forefront of ensuring safety for the entire world. We thank the workers of the exclusion zone who prevented a recurrence of the tragedy in 2022 during the Russian military advance. The enemy's provocations continue to endanger the world with the horrors of a radiation catastrophe.

The Chernobyl tragedy remains a permanent reminder of pain, anxiety, and lessons from which humanity must learn.

We express our sincere gratitude and pay tribute to those who risked their lives for the sake of others. This heroic act will never be forgotten.

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