



Polish Institute
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**The Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University and Polish Institute for Human Rights
and Business**

invite you to join us at the webinar dedicated to

BUSINESS CONDUCT IN TIMES OF WAR

Date and time: 10 March 2022, 12.00-14.00 Kiev time, 11.00-13.00 CET, online (zoom)

Link to registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/i7iGb8GHzi>

On 24 February 2022, Russia began a full-scale military invasion of Ukraine. Several officials and analysts called the invasion the largest conventional military attack in Europe since World War II. Russian forces began their bombardment of cities in eastern and southern Ukraine, including Kharkiv, the country's second city, causing devastating damage. Kyiv was heavily attacked. According to the UN, by March 5th, 2022, more than 1.2m people, including about half a million children, have fled Ukraine into neighboring countries.

During these days, the role and actions of companies – which under the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights have responsibility to respect human rights also at the time of armed conflict - are in the focus of attention.

The purpose of the event – which will bring together companies, academics, civil society organizations, and state authorities - is to discuss business conduct during the war, share examples of companies' support for IDPs and refugees, identify good practices based on other conflicts as well as discuss challenges faced by corporate actors when trying to ensure respect for human rights in the current situation and identify possible solutions. We hope that the format will provide sufficient space for companies and CSOs to share their experience and inspire each other, with an intended outcome being strengthened corporate ability to respect human rights in times of war.

The event will take place on the zoom platform on March 10, 2022 from 12:00 to 14:00 Kyiv time (11 a.m. - 1 p.m. CET). For safety reasons only registered participants will receive link to the meeting.

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Simultaneous interpretation Ukrainian - English/ English - Ukrainian will be provided.

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