



The Second International Scientific-Practical Conference «Personality, University, Society: Interaction under Conditions of Change»

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Institute of Higher Education of the National Academy of Educational Sciences of Ukraine
Kyiv, Ukraine (online format)

Conference Programme

10.15 – online registration (for speakers, interpreters and organizers)

10.25 – online registration (for participants)

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10.30-13.00. Session 1

- 10.30-11.00 (30'). *Conference opening. Welcome note. Leigh Gibson*, Director British Council Ukraine. *Civic university: development and strategizing under conditions of change. Svitlana Kalashnikova*, Manager of the Project «Reinventing displaced universities: enhancing competitiveness, serving communities» (REDU), Advisor to the Directorate, Institute of Higher Education, NAES of Ukraine
- 11.00-11.30 (30'). *Higher education in Ukraine: changes triggered by war. Liliya Hrynevych*, First Vice-Rector, Borys Grinchenko Kyiv University; *Yevhen Nikolaiev*, Director of the think tank OSVITANALITYKA, Borys Grinchenko Kyiv University
- 11.30-12.15 (45'). *Strategic change – a case study. Prof. Malcolm Todd*, Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Leeds Trinity University, *Prof. Catherine O'Connor*, Pro-Vice Chancellor for Education and Experience, Leeds Trinity University
- 12.15-13.00 (45'). *Building a Stronger Future: Exploring the Benefits, Process, and Challenges of Mergers. Alex Mortby*, Vice Principal, Curriculum and Higher Education, Bedford College Group

14.00-15.00. Session 2

- 14.00-15.00 (60'). *Overview of UK higher education governance & conditions for effective boards. Aaron Porter*, Associate Director, Advance HE
- 15.00-15.30 (30'). *Peculiarities of university governance: Ukraine's experience. Mychailo Wynnyckyj*, Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, National University "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy"

15.30 -16.00. Summing up. Video about REDU

Information about speakers



Professor Catherine O'Connor

- Pro Vice-Chancellor for Education and Experience at Leeds Trinity University.
- She has more than 15 years of experience working in the higher education sector and has led a number strategic projects around learning, teaching and employability.
- Prior to joining HE, she spent years working in the regional news media and this industry experience and has informed her work around graduate employability.
- She has led work to engage with employers around labour market issues in Leeds and developed a number of projects designed to look at how skills gaps can be addressed.
- Her research interests focus on how universities work with both students and employers to address labour market issues and how students can be given a voice as key stakeholders in this agenda.



Liliia Hrynevych

- First Vice-Rector, Borys Grinchenko Kyiv University
- PhD (Pedagogy), Associate Professor
- Ms Hrynevych has gone through all possible stages of professional career in the field of education: from school teacher, headmaster, university teacher, Head of Directorate for Education and Science of Kyiv Municipal Administration up to the Minister of Education and Science of Ukraine.
- In 2005, Ms Hrynevych defended the PhD thesis “Decentralization trends in education management in contemporary Poland”.
- She managed the establishment of external independent assessment system; developed bylaws and methodological guidelines on monitoring the quality of education; was the first Director of Ukrainian Centre for Education Quality Evaluation.
- As Head of Verkhovna Rada Committee for Education and Science of the 7th and 8th convocations during 2012-2016, Ms Hrynevych was a co-author of the Laws of Ukraine “On Higher Education” and “On Education”.
- As the Minister of Education and Science during 2016-2019, she has initiated and launched the secondary school reform “New Ukrainian School” that is aimed at the formation of contemporary key competences and crosscutting skills, enhancement of Ukrainian identity, while rooted in the principles of child-centrism, partnership pedagogy, inclusivity and innovativeness.
- Ms Hrynevych led the team of developers and was the co-author of most concepts and policy papers related to “New Ukrainian School”.



Svitlana Kalashnikova

- Advisor to the Directorate, Institute of Higher Education, National Academy of Educational Sciences of Ukraine (NAES of Ukraine)
- Doctor Hab. (Education Sciences), Professor, Corresponding member of the NAES of Ukraine
- Member of the National Higher Education Reform Expert Team (Erasmus+ Programme)
- Project Manager, EU project «Reinventing displaced universities: enhancing competitiveness, serving communities» (Programme "EU support to displaced higher education institutions in Eastern Ukraine", 2020-2024)
- National coordinator of international projects: "Ukraine HE Leadership Development Programme" (British Council in Ukraine, 2016-2019) and "Ukraine HE Teaching Excellence Programme" (British Council in Ukraine, 2019-2022)
- Director of Institute of Higher Education, NAES of Ukraine (2014-2021)
- Co-founder of NGO "Institute of Leadership, Innovations and Development"



Yevhen Nikolaiev

- Director of the think tank OSVITANALITYKA, Borys Grinchenko Kyiv University
- Mr. Nikolaiev has a PhD in Economics and considerable expertise in analytical work in the field of higher education.
- He has been a consultant with several projects aimed at higher education reform; took the position of a state expert at the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine.
- Mr. Nikolaiev is dedicated to promotion of in-depth analytical research, academic integrity culture and values in Ukraine.



Alex Mortby

- Vice Principal, in Curriculum and Higher Education at The Bedford College Group.
- The Bedford College Group has 18,000 students studying in campuses across Bedford, Central Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire. The College recently merged with Central Bedfordshire College.
- Alex is strategically responsible for Curriculum, Research and Higher Education across the Group.
- Alex was recently appointed by the Office for Students as an Academic Panel Member for the Teaching Excellence Framework 2023.
- Before this, Alex has held senior management positions across the FE sector, including Director of Higher Education. Alex is also Governor at South Thames College Group, a large further education College based within London.



Aaron Porter

- Associate Director (Governance) at Advance HE
- He sits on the board of 2 UK universities as Chair of BPP University and as a council member at Goldsmiths, University of London.
- He has led effectiveness reviews of over 50 university governing bodies including in the UK, Republic of Ireland and Australia and delivers training to over 700 university governors every year.
- He was previously President of the National Union of Students UK.
- He is also a trustee of a London theatre and on the governing body of a UK healthcare regulator.



Professor Malcolm J. Todd

- Provost and Deputy Vice Chancellor at Leeds Trinity University.
- He has over 20 years of experience in higher education, and he is a recognized expert in the fields of sociology, social science education, and research methods.
- He has published numerous articles and books, and he has presented his research at numerous conferences and workshops.
- He is also a member of the editorial board of several journals, and he is a regular reviewer for funding agencies.
- He is a passionate advocate for student learning and success, and he is committed to providing students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in their careers.



Mychailo Wynnycky

- Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies, National University “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”
- He teaches at the National University “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy” (Sociology Dep’t and Business School).
- Member of the National Higher Education Reform Expert Team (Erasmus+ Programme)
- Until early 2022 he served as Head of the Secretariat of Ukraine’s National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance, and prior to that as Advisor to three of Ukraine’s Ministers of Education (2015-2019).
- Originally from Canada, Mychailo has lived permanently in Kyiv for almost two decades.
- He was awarded a PhD in 2004 from the University of Cambridge (U.K.), and gained Ukrainian citizenship in 2019.
- His book “Ukraine’s Maidan, Russia’s War: A Chronicle and Analysis of the Revolution of Dignity” was published in English in 2019, and in Ukrainian translation in 2021.
- He is currently a Research Fellow at the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard University.