

IAG Statement on Ukraine

The International Association of Geodesy and its services strongly condemn the unprovoked and premeditated Russian invasion of Ukraine. We are deeply troubled by the loss of life and hundreds of thousands of civilians becoming refugees, and are very concerned about the safety and well-being of our scientific colleagues in Ukraine. We strongly request that the responsible people stop the military actions immediately.

For the past 150 years, the International Association of Geodesy has been an enduring and politically neutral forum for dialogue and collaboration for geodetic scientists and engineers around the world, through its various research bodies and technical services. IAG aligns with the [recent statement of the International Science Council](#), which *“warns against the severe outcomes that conflict will have on the research and academic community. Our capacity to work collaboratively on global challenges, and on cutting edge research such as Arctic and space research, is only equal to our capacity to maintain strong collaboration amidst geopolitical turmoil. Ultimately the isolation and exclusion of important scientific communities is detrimental to all.”*

IAG is committed to continue advancing the equal participation and collaboration among geodesists of all peaceful nations, towards the development of geodetic applications and innovations for the benefit of our fragile global community. Our greatest desire is for peace, and we stand united with others worldwide calling for an immediate end to this violent attack.