



International conference  
**Towards the recovery of  
the culture sector of Ukraine**  
Vilnius, Lithuania | 6-7 June 2024

## PROGRAMME

### 6 June, Thursday | PRE-CONFERENCE RECEPTION

*National Museum - Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania  
Renaissance Hall, Katedros a. 4*

15.00 – 19.00	Registration
19.00 – 22.00	Welcome ceremony

Hosted by Simonas Kairys, Minister of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania. Joint **jazz concert** by Ukrainian and Lithuanian stars Arkady Gotesman (LT), Dmitry Golovanov (LT), Mark Tokar (UA), Petras Vyšniauskas (LT).

### 7 June, Friday | CONFERENCE DAY

*Vilnius Town Hall (Rotušė), Didžioji g. 31*

9.00	Registration & welcome coffee
9.15 – 9.45	Press conference ( <i>limited to those with "Media" accreditation</i> )

#### 10.00 Opening ceremony

- **Ingrida Šimonytė**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Denys Shmyhal**, Prime Minister of Ukraine (video message)
- **Ernesto Ottone R.**, Assistant Director-General for Culture, UNESCO

#### 10.15 – 13.00 SESSION I: TAKING STOCK AND IDENTIFYING RECOVERY NEEDS

Moderator: Krista Pikkat, Director, Culture and Emergencies Entity, UNESCO

- 10:20 – 10:40 Presentation "Culture during the War" and "Flagships and priorities of Ukrainian cultural sector"** by Rostyslav Karandziej, Acting Minister of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine
- 10:40 – 10:55 Presentation "Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment in Ukraine"** by Chiara Dezzi Bardeschi, Head of the UNESCO Liaison Office in Ukraine

**10:55 – 12:30 Panel discussion – damage, losses, needs and the way forward for the culture sector in Ukraine:**

- **Nataliia Alieksieieva**, Manager, Executive Committee, Lviv City Council
- **Oleksandr Butsenko**, Director, NGO Development Centre Democracy through Culture
- **Alexandra Fiebig**, Project Manager, ALIPH Foundation
- **Yuliia Hnat**, Director, Ecosystem Projects and Development, NGO MOCA
- **Sofie Taes**, Vice-Chair, Europeana Network Association Management Board
- **Olivier Van Damme**, Senior Specialist, Strategic Planning and Coordination Section, United Nations Institute for Training and Research/United Nations Satellite Centre (UNITAR/UNOSAT)

**12:30 – 13:00 Open floor for interventions** including those by:

- **Roman Shpyrka**, Advisor to the Prosecutor General of Ukraine
- **Małgorzata Ławrowska - von Thadden**, CEO Fundacja OBMIN

**13:00 – 15:00 Lunch (provided by the organizers)**

14.30 – 15.00 Screening of fragments from 'Erase the Nation' – documentary on the Russian crimes against Ukraine's cultural heritage, II part, 2024

**15:00 – 17.30 SESSION II: PLENARY DEBATE – STATEMENTS AND PLEDGES**

Session co-chaired by Simonas Kairys, Minister of Culture of Lithuania and Rostyslav Karandieiev, Acting Minister of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine.

- **Statements and pledges** of participating countries and partners
- Adoption of **Vilnius Call for Action** on the Recovery of the Culture Sector of Ukraine

**17.30 – 18.00 High level closing remarks – the way forward**

- **Ernesto Ottone R.**, Assistant Director-General for Culture, UNESCO
- **Agnese Logina**, Minister of Culture of the Republic of Latvia
- **Katja Keul**, Minister of State, German Federal Foreign Office (video message)
- **Rostyslav Karandieiev**, Acting Minister of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine
- **Simonas Kairys**, Minister of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania

**18.00 – 18.15 Musical performance by Vilnius String Quartet | Group photo**

*Both days of the conference will be moderated by cultural professional Julijus Grickevičius, Editor at European Broadcasting Union (EBU).*

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