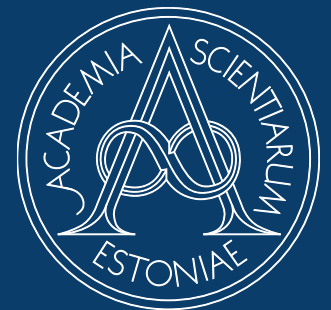


Initiative of the Female Members of the Estonian Academy of Sciences in Support of Ukrainian Researchers

preliminary outcome of implementation
24 November 2022

Estonian Academy of Sciences
EURAXESS Estonia Bridgehead Organisation

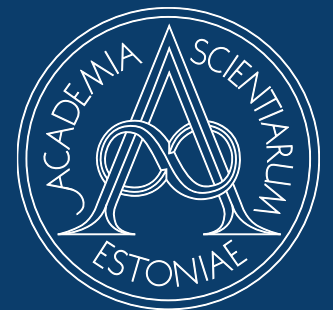
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Invitation based on initiative of the female members of the Estonian Academy of Sciences:

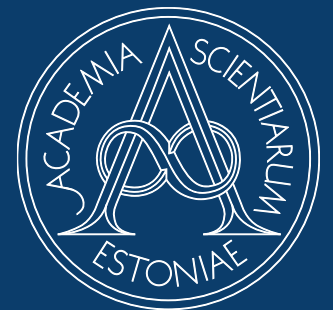
The Estonian Academy of Sciences expresses its deep regret and alarm for the ongoing military invasion of Ukraine by Russia. We acknowledge the suffering and grief of all people whose lives are gravely impacted by this war. In order to express our full solidarity and support to the Ukrainian researchers and academics who have been forced to flee to Estonia, the Estonian Academy of Sciences would like to offer them a chance to be part of the Estonian academic community, meet local researchers, and explore opportunities for potential collaboration (source: <https://www.akadeemia.ee/en/invitation-to-ukrainian-researchers-and-academics/>)

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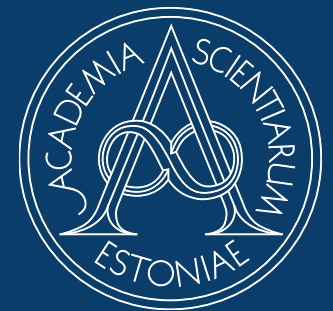
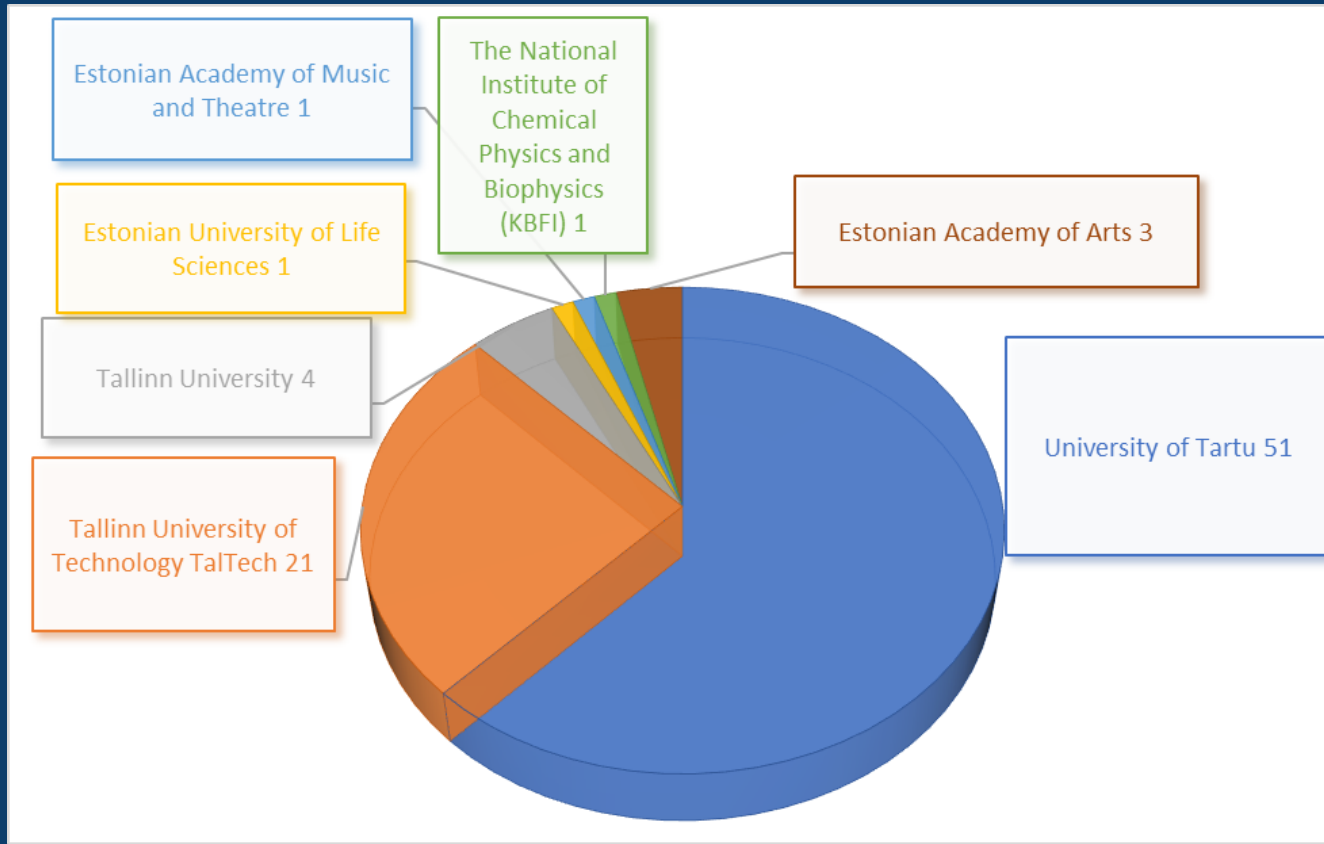


timeline of activities, Estonian Academy of Sciences

- 30 March 2022 invitation in English, Ukrainian and Russian language published and spread via networks, EURAXESS Estonia and Ukrainian Cultural Centre
- contacts facilitated by authors of invitation from 5 April until present
- exchange of information via EURAXESS Estonia contact points and further
- sending the links: EURAXESS jobs, ERA4Ukraine and other sources
- meetings in Estonian Academy of Sciences, Ukrainian researchers and EAS members invited on 21 June and 15 September
- meeting of the academicians, discussion on further steps 28 June
- guidance of researchers by members of Academy in person in Universities
- follow-up and correspondence with the target group (ongoing)
- identifying the new ways for cooperation via networks (ongoing too)



Number of researchers from Ukraine in Estonian Universities (data from Universities)

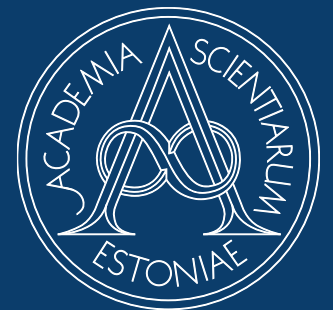


Funding by Estonian Research Council (ETAG) (launched 11 May 2022)

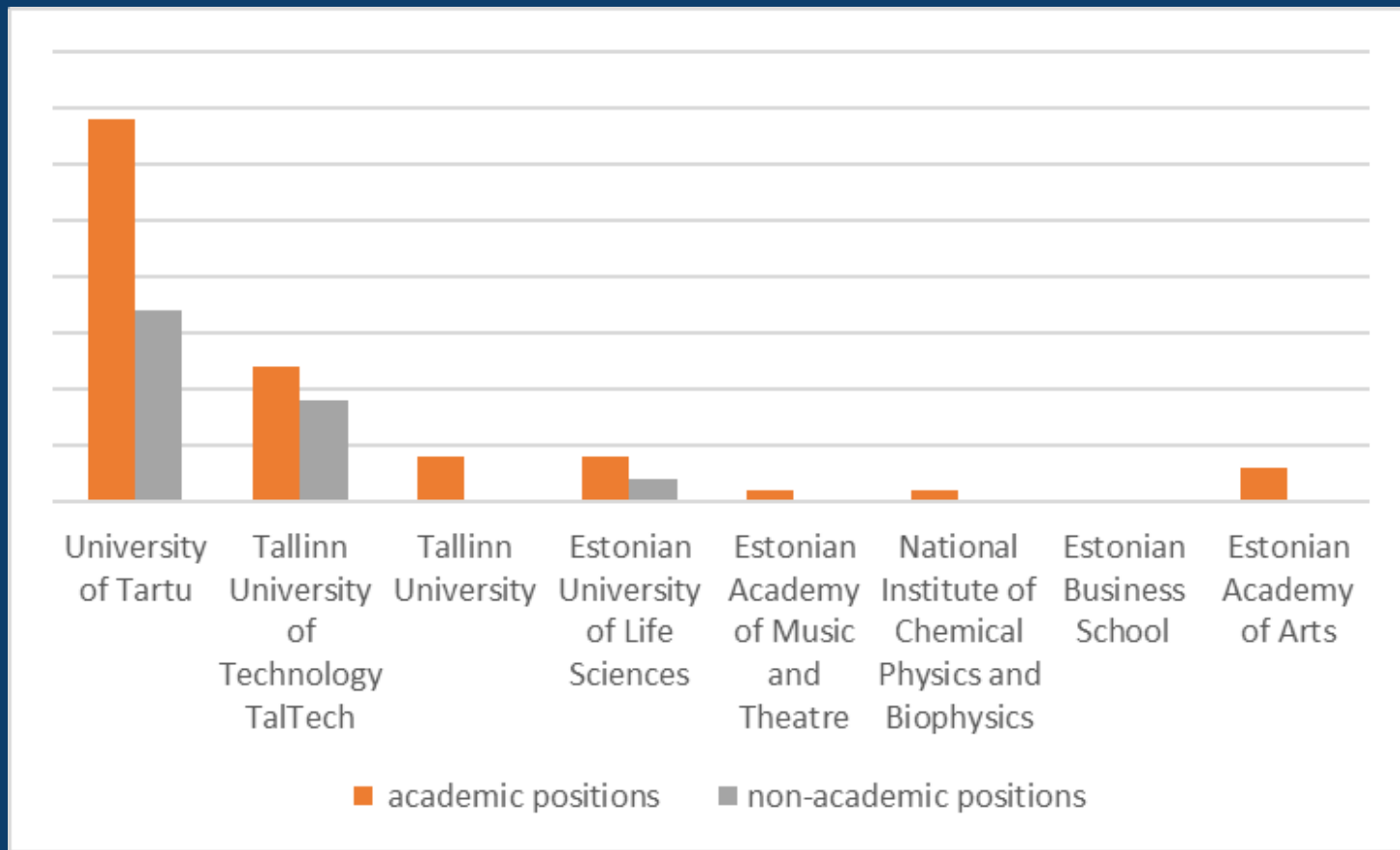
- 1) short-term study visits * to Estonian universities (up to 3 months), aiming to:
 - introduce the R&D activities of our universities, to make direct contacts for possible further collaboration
 - provide access to research activities
 - improve professional skills

* unfortunately, this measure will not continue in the future

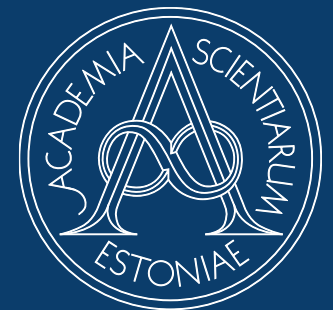
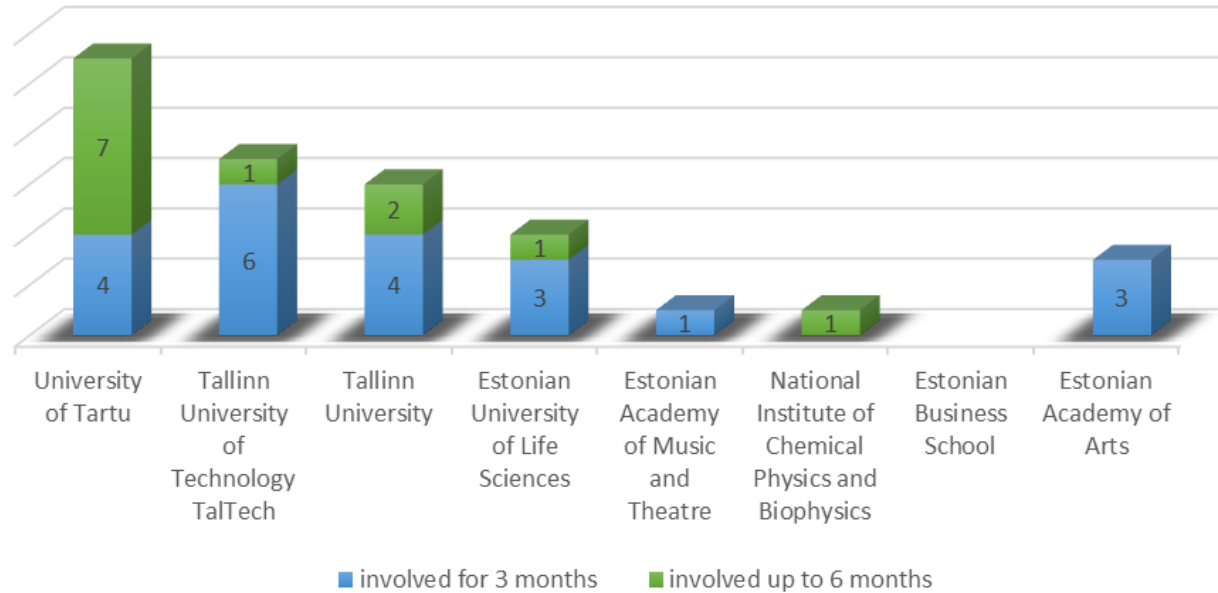
- 2) up to 6 months funding for Estonian universities to hire Ukrainian researcher(s) to their current grant project team, that had received funding from ETAG (starting, team or developmental grant, respectively). Extended until October 2023



Researchers from Ukraine in Estonian Universities and scientific Institutions

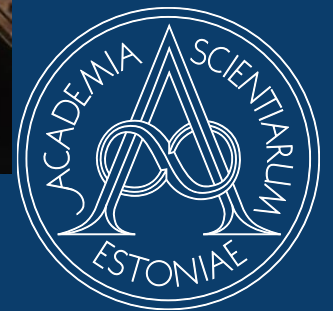


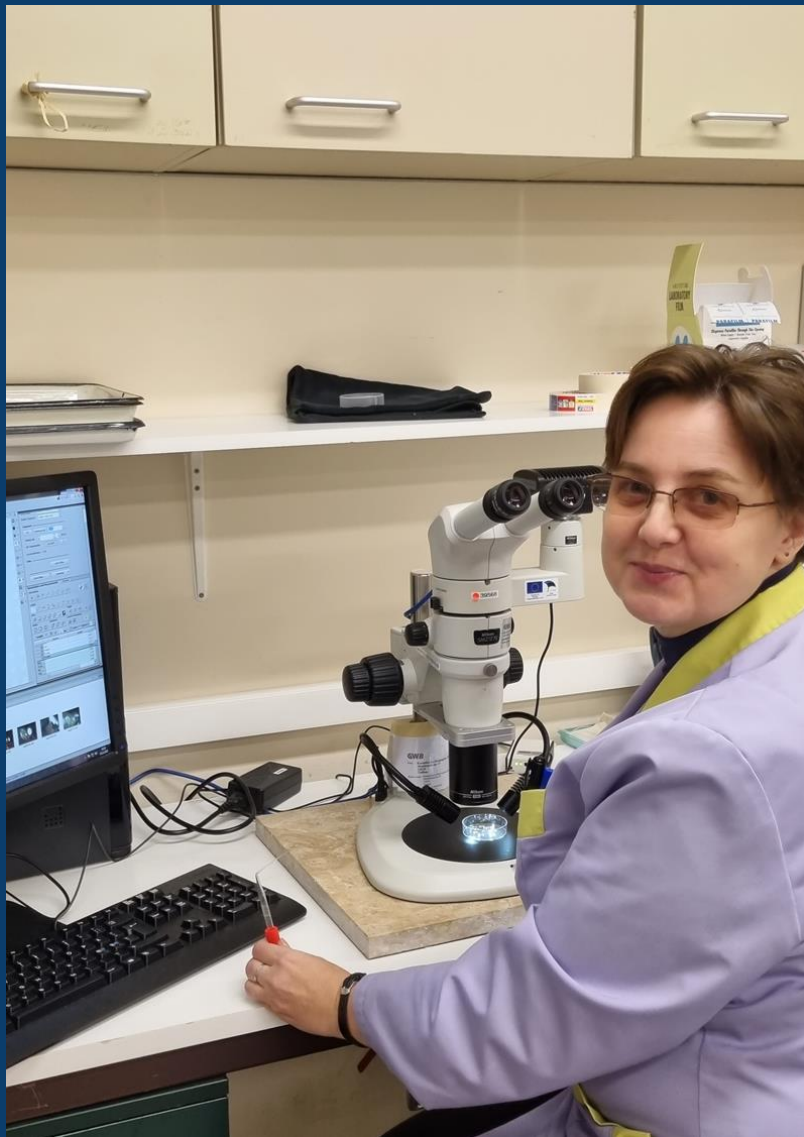
number of researchers arrived from Ukraine in Estonia after 24 February 2022 involved in targeted measures of ETAG as of 21 November 2022



Meetings organized upon initiative of the Female Members of the EAS:

- 21 June, a book presentation at the Estonian Academy of Sciences, Ukrainian researchers invited
- 28 June, meeting of authors of invitation, discussion based on feedback from Ukrainian researchers
- 15 September, the second meeting of Ukrainian researchers and Members of Academy, networking.





Olha Alexeieva in the Laboratory of Environmental Toxicology of National Institute of Chemical Physics and Biophysics (KBFI)

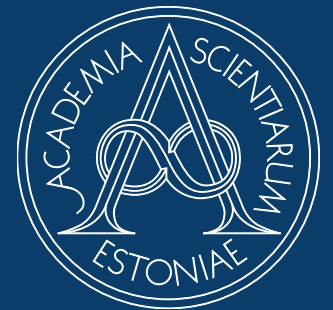
Olha was invited to the KBFI by Academician Anne Kahru, Head of Laboratory after a meeting in Estonian Academy of Sciences on 15 September 2022.

Olha`s 6-month work contract is connected to PRG1427 lead by Dr Margit Heinlaan from 1.11.22 to 30.04.23

Photo: Dr. Irina Blinova



- Ukrainian researchers advised by Members of Academy reported either continuing their studies or working in scientific institutions
- Members of Academy used their professional networks and contacts
- facilitation of contacts was needed for implementation of measures
- Estonian Academy of Sciences continues offering Ukrainian researchers a chance to be part of the Estonian academic community
- new sources for systematic and sustainable support schemes via Unions of Academies like All European Academies (ALLEA)
- open for further cooperation via ERA Talent platform



Thank you

