



**Rebuilding Ukraine Association, Inc. (RUAI)** is a Florida-based nonprofit organization with 501(c)(3) status. RUAI was established to provide technical assistance, workforce development, and professional education programs that support Ukraine's reconstruction efforts. This includes training in project management, project controls, construction management, infrastructure delivery, and the development of new facilities for producing building materials needed to repair and rebuild communities damaged by the Russian invasion.

Targeted funding will come in the form of contributions, grants, and in-kind donations of goods and services from individuals, corporations, the U.S. Government, international funding agencies, and other charitable organizations.

RUAI's mission is to strengthen Ukraine's institutional and workforce capacity by promoting modern project delivery practices, transparency, accountability, and the efficient management of reconstruction programs and projects.

- During 2022, **Rebuilding Ukraine Association Incorporated** was focused on forming a nonprofit, acquiring 501(c)3 status and putting together a team to develop a plan and implement its education mission. [www.rebukr.com/team](http://www.rebukr.com/team)
- In 2023, the education program **REUNITE - Rebuilding Ukraine's National Independence Through Education and the Rebuilding Makariv Block Project** where initiated. [www.rebukr.com/project](http://www.rebukr.com/project)



**A Memorandum of Understanding** outlining the **REUNITE** education initiative was produced by several of its participants and signed in Warsaw Poland on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Preamble:**

Participants coming together to create comprehensive relationships and strategic collaborative opportunities in Ukraine through successful development and delivery of professional development programs and community outreach activities focusing on professions related to the built environment (designers, builders, government agencies, and the skilled workforce).

Each participant brings unique strengths to the membership by creating an alliance, addressing increased effectiveness, professionalism, and performance of our institutions while promoting broad and positive economic impact for the Ukraine.



## Member Organizations:

- Rebuilding Ukraine Association Inc.
- The Univ. of Florida ME Rinker, Sr School of Construction
- Kyiv National University of Architecture and Construction
- Lviv Polytechnic National University
- Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University
- Confederation of Builders of Ukraine
- Rebuilding Ukraine Agency
- Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine
- CDM Engineering Ukraine
- Gerz Construction
- BRDGES
- Kurylowicz & Associates
- Warsaw University of Technology
- APSI
- Kahua
- California Polytechnic State University



# REUNITE

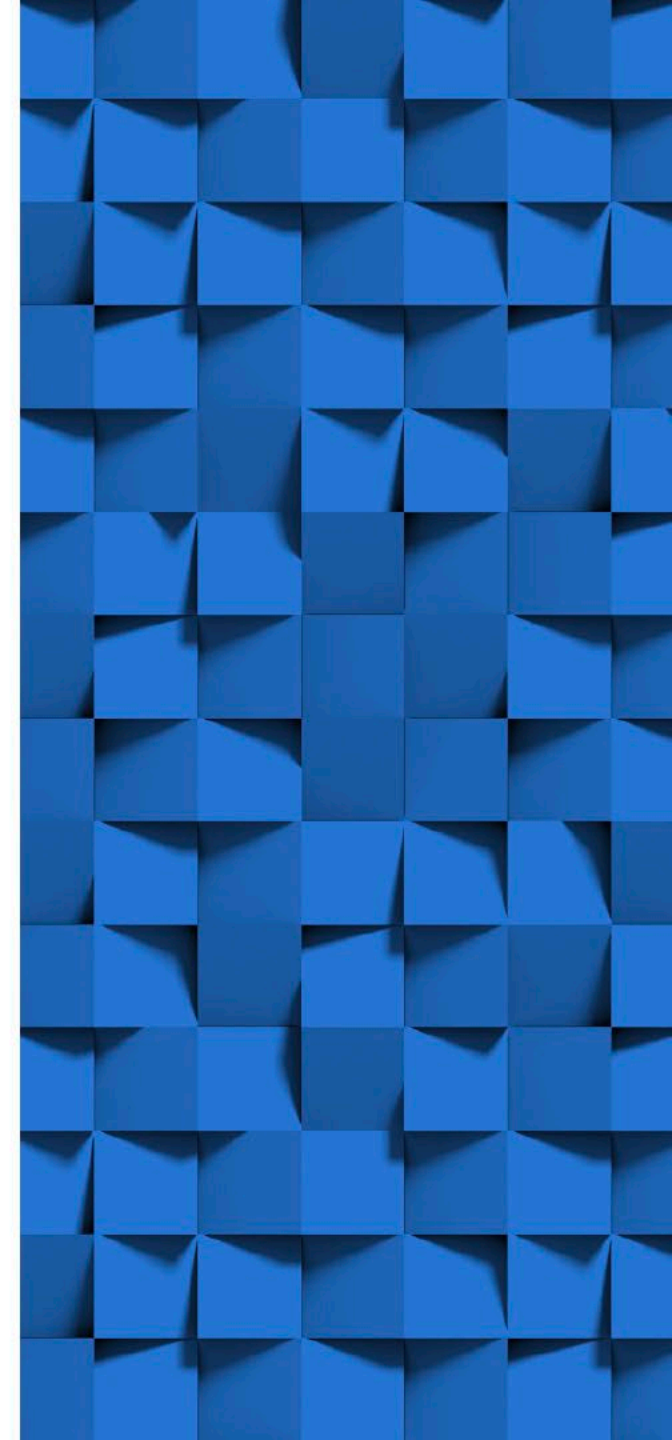
RE-building Ukraine's National Independence Through Education



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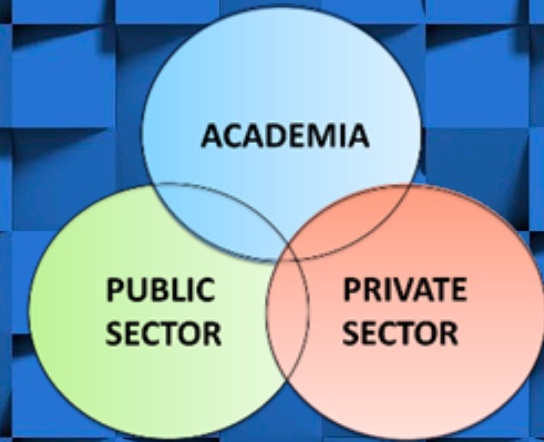
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+ Architects



## **REUNITE HIGHLIGHTS**

**REUNITE** brings together academia, public and private sectors to meld their knowledge and experience with three basic objectives:

1. Increase the numbers of highly qualified Ukrainian planning, architectural, engineering, construction management, and craft professionals who are enabled to apply the latest in best practices to rebuild a resilient and sustainable Ukraine.
2. Develop capacity in environmental sustainability and resiliency under the European Union guidelines.
3. Ensure the utilization of leading-edge technologies and materials in re-establishing an independent, resilient, and sustainable Ukraine.



**Strong human  
capital with  
increased  
quality of life  
through  
education**

## Human Capital Development Project

- Comprehensive improvement of the design, construction, and planning industries through:
  - University-level degree programs
  - Professional development programs
  - Craft skills and technical training
  - Community outreach and engagement activities
  
- The strategy involves phases of development and implementation of action items, focusing on immediate needs and readily available offerings.



## REUNITE'S APPROACH:

- Four - phase approach covering four years
  - Develop sustainable and resilient solutions in the design, construction, and planning industries.

PHASE 1: “Start Now and Ramp up Gradually”

PHASE 2: Human Capacity Building focusing on Resilience and Sustainability

PHASE 3: Sustained Rebuilding Efforts

PHASE 4: Ukraine's is Independent and REUNITE



**DELIBERATE**

**INTENTIONAL**

**STRATEGIC**

**Promoting  
knowledge  
transfer for  
future  
Ukrainian  
generations**

# Phased Action Plan Focused on EU Integration

## PHASE 1

### Months 1-18: "Start Now and Ramp up Gradually"

- Strategic Planning Session
- Visiting Scholars' program (*Strengthen Institutional Capacity*)
- Awareness activities on university partner campuses
- Implement readily available technologies
- Recruit private sector stakeholders
- Formalize credentialing programs
- Rapid deployment of best practices for accelerated reconstruction of critical infrastructure projects
- Provide training on development of grant proposals

The RDNA2 states that; *The key guiding principles of the government's Recovery Plan are to start now and ramp up gradually;*.



**Specific strategies for attracting and retaining women, veterans, and displaced refugees.**

## Phased Action Plan Focused on EU Integration-cont.

### PHASE 2

#### Months 9-36: Human Capacity Building Focused on Resilience and Sustainability

- Skilled Labor Programs (*Business Enabling Environment*)
- Entrepreneurship Development Programs
- “Helmets to Hardhats” Veterans training and certification programs
- Specific Programs focused on women
- Returning refugee upskilling programs



**Develop capacity in environmental sustainability and resiliency under the guidelines of the European Union.**

## Phased Action Plan Focused on EU Integration-cont.

### PHASE 3

#### Months 18-40: Sustained Rebuilding Efforts

- Address the planning, design, and construction of a Sustainable Ukraine
  - Feasibility, master planning and prioritizing of healthcare, education, housing and critical infrastructure (energy and transportation) projects
  - Recommend the re-establishment of primary businesses
- Coordinate with Ukrainian public sector start of construction



**REBUILDING  
UKRAINE'S  
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## Phased Action Plan Focused on EU Integration-cont.

### PHASE 4

#### Months 36-48: Ukraine is Independent and REUNITED

- Enable Ukrainian partners to sustain the actions of the rebuilding effort

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**REUNITE** is an inclusive and impartial convener of academic, industry, and government stakeholders who formulate educational opportunities and applied research. Their goal is to develop regional and nationally scalable solutions in the design and construction industry.

Through our association and its stakeholders, organizations can be connected to programs and projects planned for the Reconstruction of Ukraine.



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