



KPI LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT 2022


PREFACE

We all went through 2022 differently: with all our fears and triumphs, our losses and victories, our griefs and joys, our hatreds and loves. We survived this year and withstood it only due to the support of each other

It is not an exception for the KPI Library that the year 2022 is our fierce one. February 2022 is about our rage. The force that keeps us going and gives us inspiration to fight and win

We have once again realized the importance of our values and it is not just beautiful words in our strategy. It works in our «every day» and also gives us strength

Everything that the KPI Library has already done and all our duties in the future are for you, for our community. In 2022, we implemented a lot of new things, even that we hadn't been able to do for several years before. Moreover, we didn't stop working. Firstly, all services were provided only online but from May and now we have two formats. It is, of course, thanks to the Library team but also thanks to you. We work for you and we can't let you down. Our librarians are unbreakable!



United, together with the KPI community, we work
and bring our Victory closer every day. We believe it
will be soon!
Glory to Ukraine!

Oksana BRUI
KPI Library Director



JANUARY ●

FEBRUARY — MARCH ●

APRIL ●

MAY ●

JUNE — AUGUST ●

SEPTEMBER ●

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JANUARY

the beginning of February 2022

Probably you have a question about how our 2022 started?
It was busy and active!

We continued to live in a «mixed format» of quarantine realities and found some balance in this. Different events were conducted one by one and we had a lot of plans for that coming year



Reading of the book «Bildung»



Shooting for the ULA birthday



«Secret book» to the Day of giving books



Information desk staff on the Day of Unity



Traditionally, at the beginning of the year we welcomed carolers

We made preparations for our traditional, the third International Scientific and Practical Conference «Library Development Strategies: from Idea to Implementation». It was scheduled for the beginning of April

What can be done in 54 days? Now it seems that between January 1 and February 24, there was a whole year — our peaceful 2022



February 23 — Machine Learning Week

FEBRUARY — MARCH

first weeks of full-scale russian invasion

Obviously, from some moment, we couldn't ignore all these disturbing reports. However, we continued to believe that everything would be OK. We continued to dream and make plans. Then the full-scale russian invasion started...

On February 24, despite all the stress and perplexity, we felt and understood how important it was to keep on working. The experience we had at the time of quarantine was very helpful: thanks to that the library started providing services online immediately



The KPI Library staff in shelters during air raid alarms

So, we created the Library Team chat for quick internal communication and support. It was a place where everyone could share news, make roll calls and send selfies from shelters. We sought light so desperately — and found it in each other



KPI Library team

105 members

My family and I went down to the basement of the house. We stay strong :)

26.02.2022 7:33

There is a warning siren in Pozniaky. We went down to the shelter, the parking lot near the house

26.02.2022 7:38



In the afternoon, saboteurs tried to blow up the water reservoir (opposite from our house), we were serving coffee and sandwiches for our defenders

26.02.2022 22:23

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How, who, where?

At home

Home

SUPPORT

STUDENTS AND TEACHERS SUPPORT

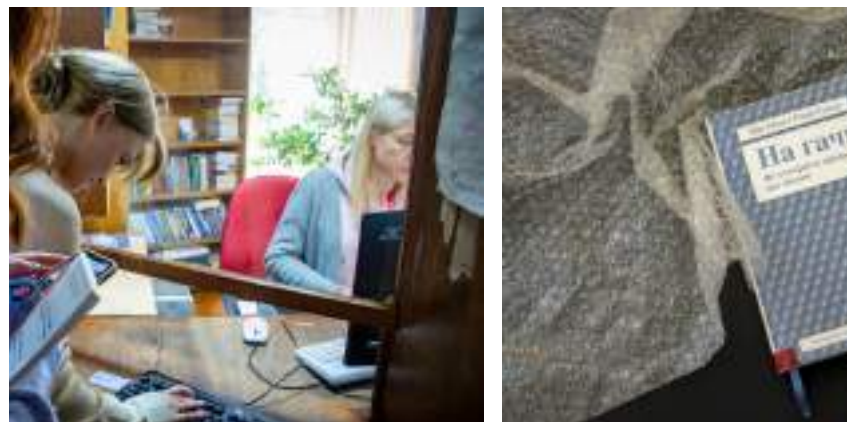
Since February 2022, we have faced special challenges of working under martial law. The full-scale russian invasion has affected all aspects of our life and work. From the first days of the russian aggression, we have tried to be as relevant, useful, and accessible to our users as possible. Being with them 24/7

5 011 operational
references
1 795 thematic
references

QUICK RESPONSE AND PROMPT COMMUNICATION

We provided constant support to our users via email, phone and chats. We responded to almost 7,000 user requests. Approximately 1,700 of them were fulfilled online from the [«Ask a Librarian»](#) service

We updated and improved the [«Become a User»](#) service by adding the possibility of remote registration for the KPI community



During the year, we expanded the possibilities of obtaining resources from the KPI Library and other libraries. In particular, our users were able to receive or return [books by post](#) office; in total, 156 books were sent from the Library's collection

We also delivered 62 books from other libraries upon request of our users. We provided 138 documents for use in other libraries

More than 5,000 people used the service [«Receive a consultation about the resources»](#), including 3,000 at the Education and Research Support Center

EXPANDING ACCESS TO INFORMATION RESOURCES

Providing access to as many resources as possible and practical assistance in finding information quickly became one of the main priorities of our daily work

Access to information resources was provided from all computers in the University local network. We also organized remote access for University staff and students that was used by 230 people

In total, users had access to 101 full-text, abstract and bibliographic databases in various fields of knowledge



In June 2022, the Library gained access to the international interlibrary loan service RapidILL. It allows you to make a quick order and receive electronic materials from more than 500 leading libraries around the world



We actively used possibilities of this service as part of the «Order an e-copy of part of a book / an article» — we proceeded more than 100 user requests



Scientists, teachers and students of the University were able to use the resources of publishers of Scientific literature: Research4Life, ACM Digital Library, ScienceDirect, Springer Nature, De Gruyter, individual databases of EBSCO Health, Elsevier Health, BMJ Publishing Group

RESOURCE SELECTION

More than 100 users have received a list of [sources on the topic](#) for coursework and diploma thesis, in-depth study of academic disciplines, etc

We have selected more than 2,000 sources from the Library collection, opened access resources and created 70 bibliographic lists



TEACHING SUPPORT SERVICES

We wanted to take an active part in University life. Particularly, our priority was to increase the role of the Library in improving teaching and learning processes

IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW SERVICE

In August 2022, we introduced a new service «Order a list of sources for a syllabus». Our subject librarians, based on the study of the Library's resources and open access resources, recommended more than 9,000 educational materials to 257 University teachers to supplement the lists of basic and additional information sources of work programs (syllabus) of academic disciplines

PARTICIPATION IN THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS ACCREDITATION

We provided references on the resource support of disciplines to the University departments and faculties for accreditation/licensing of higher education institutions at the request of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. Totally, we satisfied 229 requests and selected more than 5,000 sources



EXPANDING SEARCH POSSIBILITIES

At the end of the year, we implemented Catalog±. It is a single access point to all the Library's resources: the electronic catalog, the institutional repository ELAKPI, the Kyiv Polytechnic Digital Library and individual full-text open access databases. For this purpose, we installed the VuFind software and made its Ukrainian localization. This innovation was first introduced among Ukrainian libraries

Over the last four months of 2022, the service was used by 7,313 users who made 10,297 sessions. Besides Ukraine, there were top ten countries whose residents used the service the most: Great Britain, the United States, Germany, China, Poland, the Netherlands, Japan, France

The Library's printed resources in the catalog were searched by 6,619 users who made 17,172 sessions. The total number of bibliographic records in the catalog is 640,829

APRIL

At the beginning of April, it became obvious that russian occupiers completely failed in their attempt to capture Kyiv. The defeated russian army retreated from the Kyiv region. And after the liberation of settlements that were in the war zone or occupation, the whole world could see terrible scenes of russian atrocities. A few of our librarians lived in occupation during this time. Thankfully, our colleagues and their families were not hurt



Today we have moved rare and valuable books to a safer place in the library. As long as the capital's authorities take care of the preservation of Kyiv monuments, the KPI Library protects a part of the glorious history of Kyiv Polytechnic

01.04.2022 14:48



...The Ukrainian Wikipedia page on war crimes in Bucha was created today at 10:11 a.m., and 8 minutes later it was renamed «Бучанська різанина» («Bucha massacre»). Turning to the history of the English version of the article, I see the date of creation — 02:03, April 3, 2022. The author is Deathlibrarian. So the first article about this tragedy was created by a person whose nickname includes the word «librarian». I admire the beauty of this detail, both accidental or intentional, which is now also a history

03.04.2022 23:12



In different cities and countries, we continued to hold together, work for our Library and our future victory. In April, we held the first events since February. In April, the Library started working not only online but offline too. It was only two days a week but it was so important for us. Every peaceful change, every little step to pre-full-scale invasion reality made us happy and grateful to our warriors who kept on defending us day and night

On April 2, the Kyiv region was liberated. This is a street in Bucha. Photo: EPA/UPG

RESEARCH SUPPORT

In the conditions of martial law, we have focused on individual information and online forms of consultation to support the University's researchers

CONSULTING RESEARCHERS

The Library staff consulted researchers for:

- ensuring proper identification of University authors in the international scientific space
- accessing and effective usage of educational, scientific web resources and services
- choosing a journal to publish research results
- preparing texts in accordance with the requirements of domestic and international publications
- determining the main bibliometric indicators of authors in accordance with the databases of scientific citations Scopus, Web of Science
- sharing research results in open access e-archives: ELAKPI, other thematic archives
- defining the UDC index for qualification works, articles and scientific publications

1 226 educational consultations were provided to University researchers on updating data about them and their scientific achievements

author profiles were created in the international scientometric database Scopus 485

700 consultations were provided to the editors of scientific periodicals on international publishing practices and international requirements for the quality of publications

UDC indices were defined for qualification and scientific works 150



EDUCATIONAL EVENTS FOR RESEARCHERS

- «Familiar stranger, the Web of Science Core Collection»
- «AIP style (American Institute of Physics style) — international citation and reference style in physics»
- «SciVal without secrets — analysis of the researcher's and institution's achievements»
- «Scopus database functionality — how to use its potential»
- «How to find information for study and research in open access»
- open dialog «Academic integrity: values in everyday actions»
- question and answer session «Postgraduate student asks — librarian answers»



ACADEMIC INTEGRITY CULTURE

The Library staff is actively involved in the university process of forming and developing a culture of academic integrity

In 2022, we provided 499 consultations on various issues related to the use of the anti-plagiarism system to the responsible departments

Our experts conducted a technical check for signs of plagiarism in more than 200 textbooks, manuals, and monographs. They also administered the university account and created profiles in the Unicheck Match/Identity/Similarity Detection System

We held an open discussion «Academic integrity: values in everyday actions»

MAY

May began with a full-fledged resumption of offline work format in the Library. Finally, most of our librarians got together for a team meeting and those who were in other cities connected via Zoom. The weather was clear but cold and we kept warm by communicating

As always in May, we celebrated Vyshyvanka Day. Traditionally, we planted viburnum near the Library. It was the first live event from the beginning of the full-scale invasion and it was sunny in every possible sense

The work in the Library was in full swing: we continued adapting our services to current needs and implementing new opportunities, such as sending digital copies of materials to users as part of the international interlibrary loan RapidILL



03.05.2022 The day of the KPI Library Team was like this :)

3.05.2022 12:27



A rainbow in front of the Library in the background.
245th day of the full-scale invasion

EVENTS

Despite all the horror and confusion around us, we realized that we needed to take a breath and start looking, creating and organizing. So, we did

We felt that organizing online and offline events during the war helped us to unite the communities which were trying to find a place in the Library for their development, support and volunteering



164 events organized

70 events in online format

In 2022, we organized our first event in April, since February. It was a zoom meeting called «Kharkiv-made powerful weapon — Vivat publishing house» with Nadiia Kuzinska. Later, we continued to develop our educational initiatives and create new ones

LIBRARIANS READ

- The lecture series «Historical studies: Think about it». We organized three lectures: «Christmas Kyiv: history and traditions», «Polish pages in the KPI history: the beginning (1898–1939)», «Kyiv Polytechnics in the years of trials»



- The lecture series «Stories about the old textbooks' lives». Two lectures were held: «The first scientific and technical KPI clubs» and «Collections donated to the library». The lecturers: Library's specialists

- Lecture series «About fiction» and «Fantastic course». The events «Charles Dickens», «Fantastic course 3.0», «Feast of the King of Horrors», «Dystopias», «Vampires: popular and not», lectures on the work of individual writers and their books. The lecturers: Library's specialists Yevhenia Breznitska and Iryna Filonenko
- «MuzzClass». We organized a series of nine lectures «Music in Wartime» about music created during Russia's full-scale war against Ukraine. Lecturer: Library's specialist Tetiana Zhestkova



- The project «Polyglot». We continued to publish a philological section to encourage followers of the Events channel and Library users in general to learn foreign languages. The project is supported by Myroslava Shchylhlynska and Victoria Pinska





NEW EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

- «French conversation club» — French classes with a native speaker, volunteer and teacher Julien Poulet
- «Reading together» — joint reading books by Ukrainian and international writers followed by a discussion. In particular, we read Neil Gaiman, O. Henry, Lewis Carroll, Ivan Nechuy-Levytsky, and Hryhoriy Skovoroda
- «Unwinding with a book» — meetings to promote reading, during which visitors talk about interesting books and recommend them for reading
- The series of meetings for reading and discussing the book «Українські основи» («Ukrainian basics») — a collection of essays by famous Ukrainians

With our #kpilibrary friends, we organized:

- PostArt movie screenings — every Friday we watch world classics. The meetings are organized by KPI student Olga Maksymiv
- meetings of the literary club «Leport», which is carried out every two weeks with discussions of world literature. The club was founded by Oleksandr Demariov and Oleksandr Havva
- popular science lectures by Peaceful Gatherings: «Let's talk about orchids», «Viruses. Life. Space», «Cosmic ionizing radiation and the Earth's biosphere», «Space and person», «Petrykivka painting master class», «Astroblems — ancient scars on the Earth's surface», «Traveling to the Moon», «Astronomy and ecology. Space debris in near-Earth space»



- «First aid training» and a practical lesson on mine safety with the student community
- the lecture «Life in Lviv through the eyes of an eco-activist» by Diana Popfalushi, who spoke about volunteer movements in Lviv aimed at helping internally displaced people



- Lectures on heraldry, symbols of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and the Ukrainian flag — in cooperation with the Department of educational work



- yoga classes by Tetiana Fesenko



- a master class on alternative drawing — together with the Kyiv branch of the O.M. Makarov National Center for Aerospace Education of Youth



Also, traditionally, together with the KPI community (and not only), we decorated the library Christmas tree!



EXHIBITIONS AND SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

In addition to lectures, workshops, and movie screenings, the Library organized photo exhibitions and significant events



«ВІЙНА» («WAR»)

The photo exhibition featured 75 photographs taken by Ukrainian students and professional photographers. All the photos were united by a common goal: to show the changes in our lives since the beginning of the full-scale war

The exhibition is curated by Yelyzaveta Lazarova, a student majoring in Cultural Studies at Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv



«LIBRARY UNBREAKABLE»: UKRAINIAN LIBRARY DAY

This year, on September 30, we celebrated under the slogan «Library Unbreakable». We gathered the University community, colleagues, users and friends together to support each other and talk about how the KPI Library had been living since February 24. In addition, of course, to talk about the future of libraries with interesting personalities



«WORKING FOR VICTORY»

Our world has changed. But we didn't break and continued to work, because we believe that everyone today is bringing victory closer in any way they can

This exhibition presented photos from the life of the KPI Library after February 24: how we lived, helped, supported each other, worked for our future victory



VYSHYVANKA — SPIRITUAL ARMOR OF UKRAINIANS

WORLD VYSHYVANKA DAY

It was the first holiday this year that we were able to organize offline. A holiday that brought together students, lecturers, university staff, children and city dwellers

We wore vyshyvankas and planted viburnum on the porch for the third time

One of the little girls who participated in the event asked her mom:

- When is the next Vyshyvanka Day?
- «In a year,» her mother answered, «but don't worry, we will have many more holidays and the most important of all will be our victory!»



JUNE — AUGUST

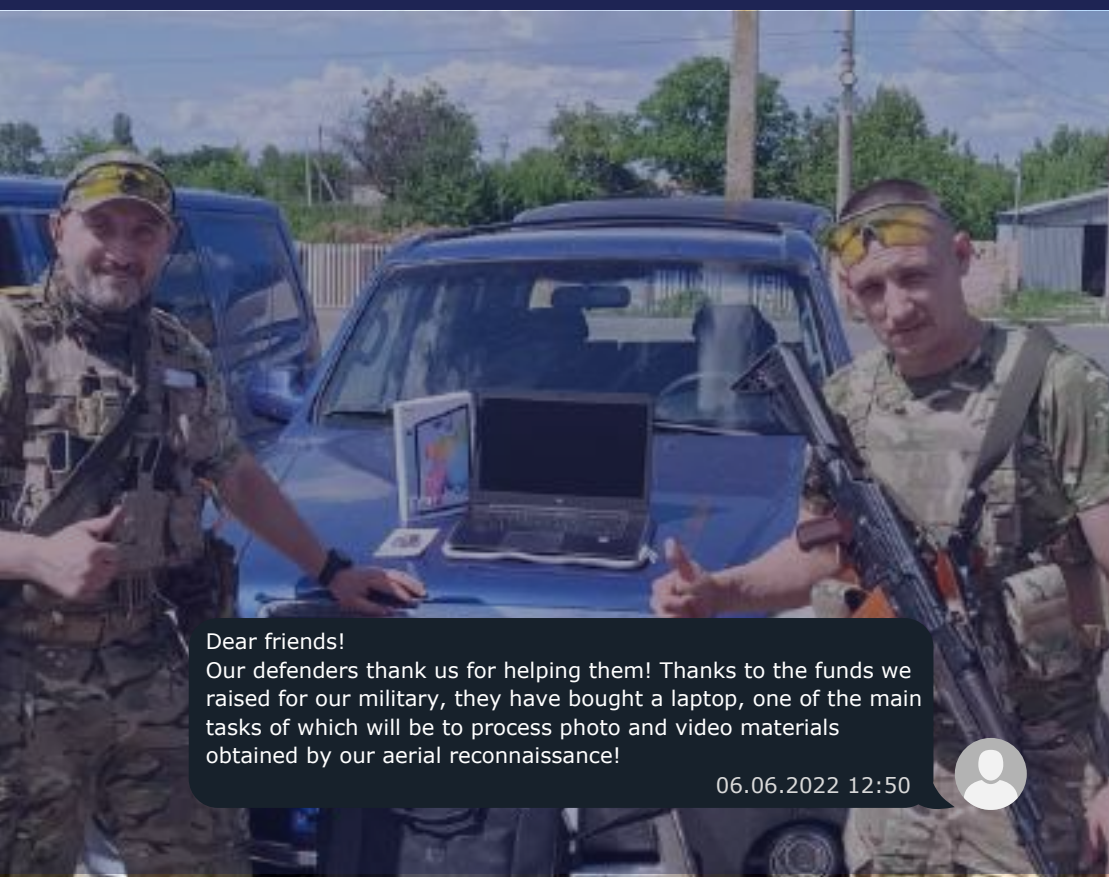
Summer, with its vacations and holidays, is usually considered a relatively calm time. But our summer of 2022 was very busy. Librarians took part in conferences abroad, communicated with foreign colleagues, and started an exchange of experience with the University of Sheffield Library as part of the Twin Universities project



14.07.2022
massive missile attack on Vinnytsia



27.06.2022, missile attack
on a shopping center in Kremenchuk



Dear friends!
Our defenders thank us for helping them! Thanks to the funds we raised for our military, they have bought a laptop, one of the main tasks of which will be to process photo and video materials obtained by our aerial reconnaissance!

06.06.2022 12:50



Along with the rest of Ukraine, we paid more and more attention to security: after the missile attacks on Kremenchuk and Vinnytsia, these russian war crimes that led to large human casualties, everyone started taking air alerts more seriously

And, of course, we were actively involved in volunteering: collecting things for the wounded and weaving camouflage nets. Together with the ArtPole art initiative we planted plants in Irpin, the city near Kyiv which suffered from russian occupation and war crimes. Thanks to the funds raised by our librarians, we purchased a laptop for an aerial reconnaissance unit in which one of our university professors serves

SAFETY

EDUCATION AND SAFETY

In 2022, creation of safe spaces in universities and libraries in particular became an acute issue. When Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and the «CLUST» company launched the social startup Smart Shelter CLUST Space, we focused our efforts on making sure that the project was implemented in the Library

CREATING A SAFE SPACE

CLUST Space is a smart shelter in the KPI Library, a safe, innovative educational space that will have all the features and functionality of a coworking space even during air raid alarms. The smart shelter is being created in the basement of the Library, which was previously used as a book depository

An engineering team and a project coordination team are already working on the project. Students actively helped us at the preparatory stage, in particular, we cleared the premises of the future smart shelter of books and shelves, and thought through space zoning and filling



Students help to clear the shelter of books and shelves



A team of students and librarians



The shelter free of shelves and books



Before the repair works start, the vacated shelter is used by the Library staff and users as a shelter during air raid alarms

Together with the University, students and partners, we are creating a safe space for learning and research!



SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

In 2022, our research areas included studying the collection of rare and valuable documents, studying the history of the Library's collection, researching the history of the University, and the issues of researcher's information literacy

We maintained scientific communication with the researchers of the national library industry and participated in the work of professional expert councils

Currently, there are 21 profiles of the Library staff in Google Scholar and ORCID

We continued to work on creating a database of authoritative files on the names of the University's lecturers



RESEARCH AND PRESERVATION OF KPI HISTORY

In the summer we launched a new electronic collection «KPI Library Chronicle», which will contain materials about the Library, its departments, and people whose activities are related to the Library

We filled subject-oriented electronic collections: «Publications of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute lectures», «Editions and publications about Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute», «Scientific schools of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute», «History of science and technology», «Outstanding Ukrainian constructors»



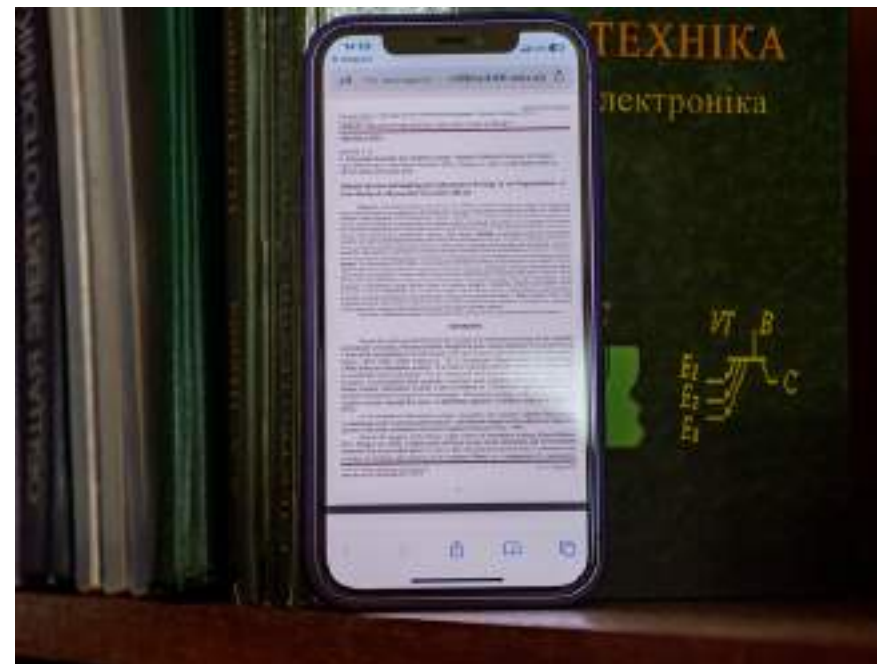
In cooperation with the Institute of Encyclopedic Research of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine for the publication of the 24th volume of the Encyclopedia of Modern Ukraine, we supplemented articles about the University's scientists with photographs, factual data, and lists of their works

PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC AND PRACTICAL EVENTS

In 2022, 66 of our specialists took part in 19 international and national scientific and practical events such as conferences, forums, congresses, schools and webinars held both in Ukraine (Dnipro, Odesa, Kharkiv, Uzhhorod) and abroad (Great Britain, Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland)



In total, 7 reports on the Library's experience were presented at these events



STAFF PUBLICATIONS

Throughout the year, our specialists popularized the Library's life and professional achievements on various online platforms and in the University newspaper «Kyiv Polytechnic». Yevheniia Kulyk's article «View of Library Service in Ensuring the Information Ecology of an Organization: A Case Study of a Research University Library» was published in the international professional journal

We continued to work on the formation of a resource of our own electronic publications on the Open Monograph Press platform

SEPTEMBER

The new academic year started late at the University — not on the traditional September 1, but on September 5; freshmen started their studies even later. But gradually, more and more student voices were heard in the Library, and we were very happy about that

The lightning offensive of Ukrainian troops in the Kharkiv region became the most high-profile event of September in Ukraine. Thanks to that, almost the entire region was liberated from the russian occupiers

And the month traditionally ended with the All-Ukrainian Library Day, during which we talked about our year, met with friends, and thanked them for their support



Our net is in use. This is the same net we sent to the 58th Separate Mechanized Brigade



EXPERIENCE SHARING

The Library continues to establish partnerships with foreign colleagues. Their support has become very important and valuable for the entire KPI Library team

INTERNSHIP IN POLAND

Our librarians exchanged experience with foreign colleagues: Liudmyla Trotsenko, Head of the KPI Scientific Publications Support Sector, did an internship in scientometrics at the library of the Wroclaw University of Science and Technology, and PR managers Oleksandra Rodyhina and Yevheniia Zuieva visited the libraries of the University of Warsaw and Warsaw University of Technology



COOPERATION WITH THE LIBRARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

The experience exchange in the format of online meetings with colleagues from the University of Sheffield Library within the project of cooperation between this university and Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute became very important for establishing international cooperation and developing the competencies of our staff



We held seven online meetings despite all the difficulties of wartime and power outages, practiced English, had the best experience, gained new knowledge and a lot of professional and informal support from our British colleagues

LEARNING FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Increasingly close ties with foreign libraries have prompted us to launch an English speaking club for our team and continue the Polish language course



OCTOBER

It seemed like we lived through several months in October. The first one lasted quite calmly in Kyiv for nine days. The second one began around 8 a.m. on October 10, that's when the Russian aggressor's missiles began to fall chaotically on the capital. The air raid alarm caught most of us on our way to work and kept us in shelters until almost noon

The following Monday, October 17, the attack on the capital was repeated – this time, Iranian Shahed-136 kamikaze drones were the main striking force

If you're in the library, go down to the basement or subway
10.10.2022 9:21

Stay in shelters until the alarm is over
10.10.2022 9:21

Anyone else stuck halfway to work?
10.10.2022 11:30

I'm stuck on the Left Bank
10.10.2022 11:52

In the subway for almost 4 hours ...
10.10.2022 11:55

Jokes about disliking Monday mornings were no longer seen as a joke...

On October 10, at 8:00 a.m. Kyiv time, a series of air strikes were carried out on the capital

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

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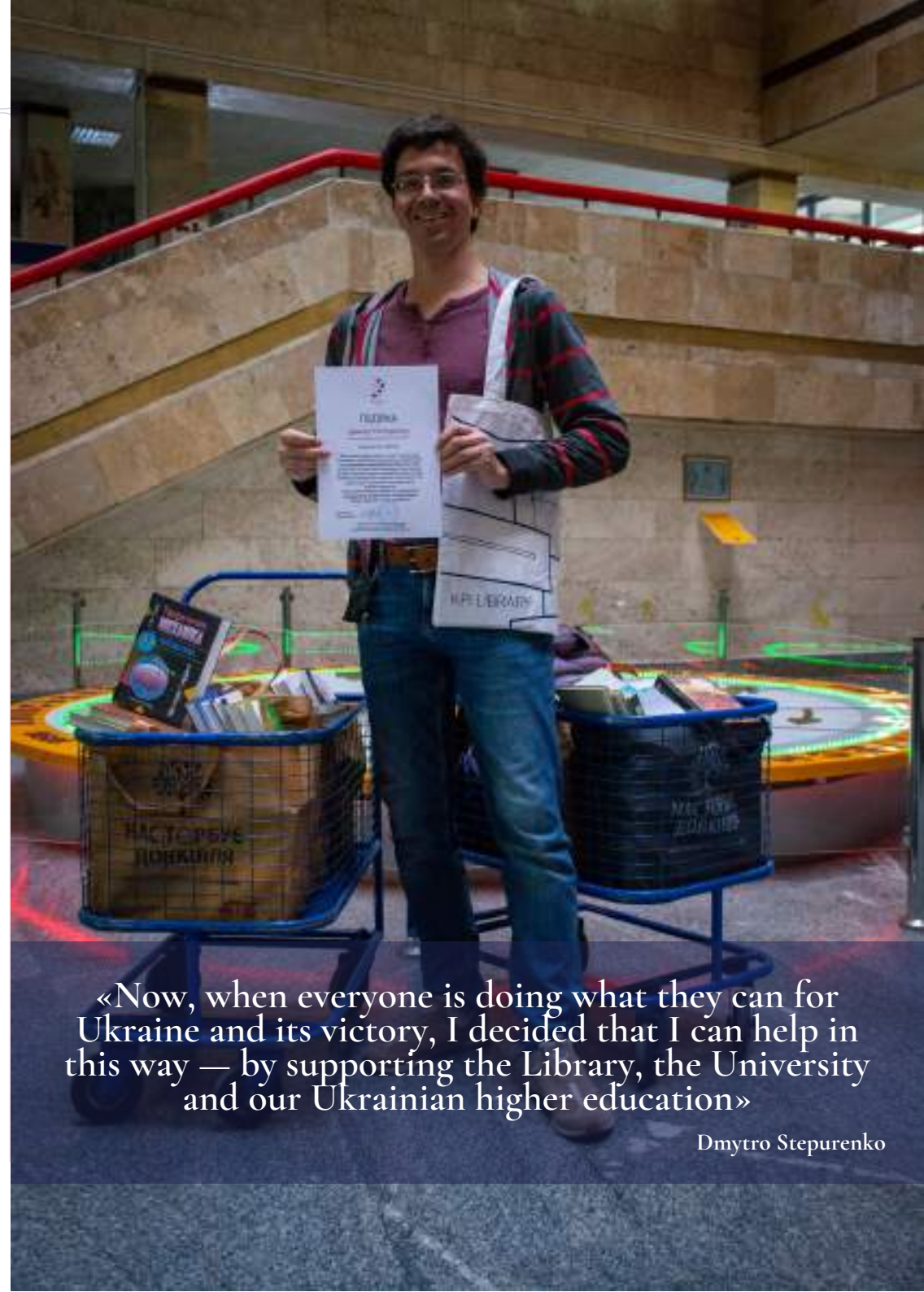
The KPI Library continues to develop its collection of information resources despite all the challenges posed by Russia's armed aggression. Thus, in 2022, we were no longer allocated funds for the purchase of new publications, and the opportunities for receiving book donations decreased. However, we used every opportunity to satisfy the needs of our users for quality information resources

BOOK DONATION PROGRAM

In 2022, we received a total of 2,890 books as part of the Book Donation Program

Dmytro Stepurenko, a graduate of the Faculty of Aviation and Space Systems, specially purchased 481 books (monographs, textbooks and manuals on physical, mathematical, technical and other disciplines) for the Library

As a result of the campaign #Книгу_студенту, Library's collection received 330 books



«Now, when everyone is doing what they can for Ukraine and its victory, I decided that I can help in this way — by supporting the Library, the University and our Ukrainian higher education»

Dmytro Stepurenko

KYIV POLYTECHNIC DIGITAL LIBRARY

During the year, we digitized the most valuable part of the Library's print collection — rare and valuable editions, documents from special collections, and documents on the history of the University. Thus, to the KPI's 125th anniversary, we added albums, booklets, and a monograph by the former director of the Library V. Dryhailo to the collection «Documents of the KPI social life». We digitized ten separate sections of the book «КПІ. Перше століття. Історичний огляд» («KPI: The First Century. Historical Overview»). Six sub-collections were added to the collection «Books sings»: «Seals and stamps of KPI», «Book marks of the I. I. Rachmaninov Library», «Book marks of the O. P. Borodin Library», «Proprietary signs», «Stamps and seals of bookstores», «Stamps and seals of educational institutions»

8 520 pages
digitized

168 documents
digitized

279 documents added to the
Digital Library



Scanning books for the Kyiv Polytechnic Digital Library

PRESERVATION OF INFORMATION RESOURCES

In 2022, we joined the SUCHO (Saving Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Online) project, which provides libraries, museums, and archives with a web space for storing cultural heritage; we created archival copies of the Library's databases (website, catalog, digital library, electronic archive), which are now additionally stored in the SUCHO cloud

ELAKPI INSTITUTIONAL REPOSITORY

In 2022, the Electronic Archive of Scientific and Educational Materials of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute increased by 5,523 documents (which is 17 % less than the number of receipts in 2021). The archive contains 45,786 documents, 41,960 of which are open access materials

The total number of viewed files in the archive in 2022 was 16,763,844 (which is 7 % more than the number of viewed files in 2021)

NOVEMBER 🍉

As the cold season approached, the disruption of Ukraine's electricity and heating networks became the main terrorist goal of Russian shelling

Emergency power outages followed by scheduled power cutoffs became commonplace, so we learned to adapt to the new realities. The shelling on November 23 was particularly devastating for the Ukrainian power grid, causing blackouts in 11 regions and lasting for two days in some places (including Kyiv). But this dark time became a moment of unity for all of us



Chess tournament during a power outage

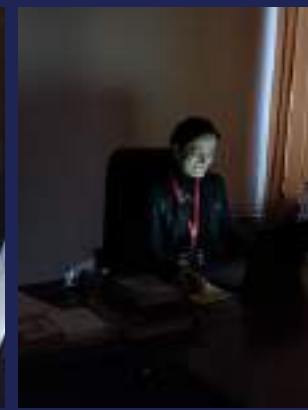
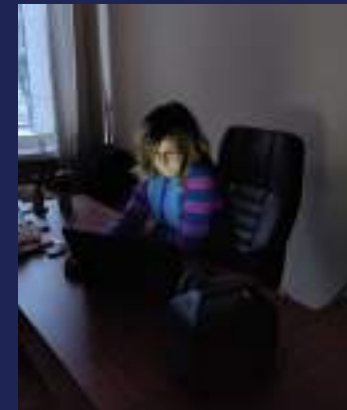
In November, we once again felt the amount of light which support and mutual assistance can bring to our lives. The same goes for joy – this was the emotion we felt on November 11, when Kherson was liberated from the Russian occupiers



A «point of invincibility» was set up in the Library



The library during a power outage



Library team works without electricity

INTERACTION WITH COMMUNITIES

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We always tell our users that the Library is open and ready to help them. And in 2022, we learned to show a new level of support for each other

Throughout the year, we worked closely with students, joined the initiatives of the Trade union organization of students of Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute and the Student Social Service, and:

- collected things for the IDPs, residents of Borodianka
- took part in the Charity Fair
- collected and transferred funds to the Trade union organization of students for the needs of the University's military
- organized a training on mine safety together
- joined the creation of trench candles
- donated things for the KPI animal shelter



Mine safety training



KPI students set a record for making trench candles.
The library joins the collection of materials for their production

SUPPORTED INITIATIVES

Together with the creative agency «ArtPole», we collected and delivered clothes to a hospital in Bakhmut and planted trees in Irpin



Weaving camouflage nets has become an important volunteer initiative for the entire Library team. We thank the organization «Мармелад. Маскувальні сітки» («Marmalade. Camouflage nets») that engaged us in this project



INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

In 2022, international support was very important for our entire country; and the global library community was no exception: our foreign colleagues provided us with new opportunities and inspired us to further development

LIBER 2022, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN DENMARK

In June, Oksana Brui, Director of the KPI Library, took part in the 51st Annual Conference of the Association of European Research Libraries as one of the key speakers. Her report «To Survive and Win: The library community in its resistance to Russia's aggression against Ukraine» opened the conference. After the speech, more than 400 conference participants gave a standing ovation for several minutes to the indomitable spirit of Ukrainian librarians

At the end of 2022 KPI Library became a member of the Association of European Research Libraries



FRANKFURT BOOK FAIR

In September, at the invitation of the Goethe-Institut Ukraine, Oksana Brui moderated a panel discussion «Ukrainian books in libraries around the world» at the Ukrainian stand of the Frankfurt Book Fair



DECEMBER

Life does not stand still and always finds its way, so despite the shelling and constant power outages, we continued to work and look for new solutions

The holiday was approaching. It is not surprising that this year's festive mood was far from the usual one. The librarians decided not to hold our traditional «Secret Santa» — instead, they sent gifts to our defenders at the frontline and presented book gifts to their own Library



December 15, 2022 We decorated our Christmas tree

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Dear friends! Let's support a good cause and start collecting gifts for the «Secret Santa / St. Nicholas for the Armed Forces» project. Gift options: candy, chocolate, tea, coffee, thermal socks. Please, bring them to the directorate by the end of the week. Thank you all!

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Thank you all for the gifts for the Armed Forces of Ukraine! The cart is already full!

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On December 31, Kyiv survived another massive missile attack. After the alarm was over, we continued our preparations for the New Year, and at the twelfth strike, we all made a wish. It was our common dream for the coming year 2023: Ukraine's victory

Half an hour later, the air raid sirens pierced New Year's Eve. The 312th day of the full-scale war began. The day which we survived. As all the days before that. As all future ones — until our victory!

COMMUNICATIONS

Active interaction with users on the Internet has always been one of our top priorities. With the outbreak of full-scale war, this area of activity became even more relevant: we informed our users about the Library's services, support for researchers and students from foreign institutions and organizations, and spread information which might have been useful in the conditions of martial law

NEWS DIGEST

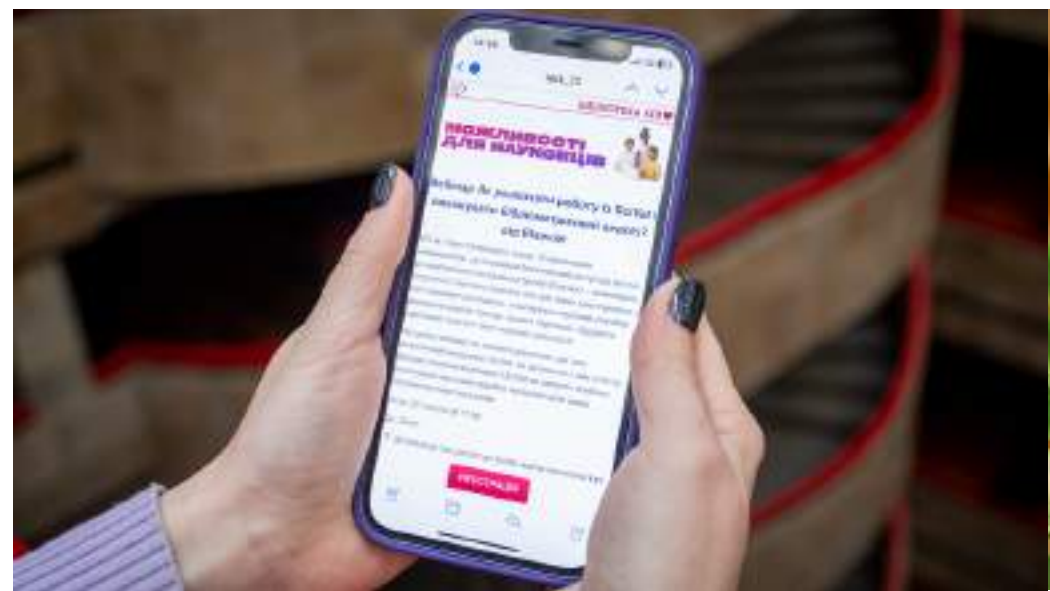
We started publishing the news digests of KPI Library, and since June we have been informing our subscribers about the most important events and opportunities, sharing the news about the life of the Library and recommending books for reading every week. During the year we sent 29 digests by e-mail

In 2022, 105 people subscribed to our digest. If you also want to receive the digest, [subscribe to the newsletter](#)



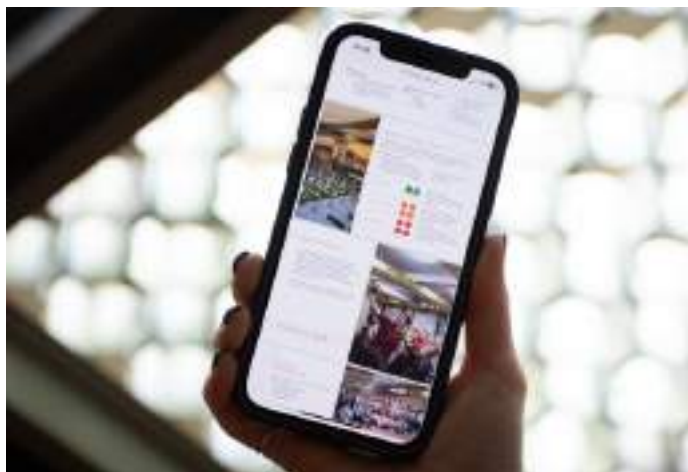
21 807 unique users
39 296 sessions
76 630 views of information

We have been working on improving the Library's [website](#). We created a new subsection «Open educational resources», where we posted detailed information about various available resources for learning, teaching and research. We added the pages «Kyiv Polytechnic Digital Library» and «Subject librarians»



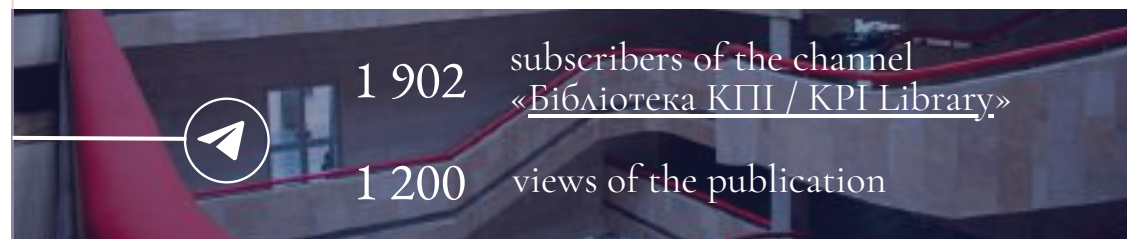
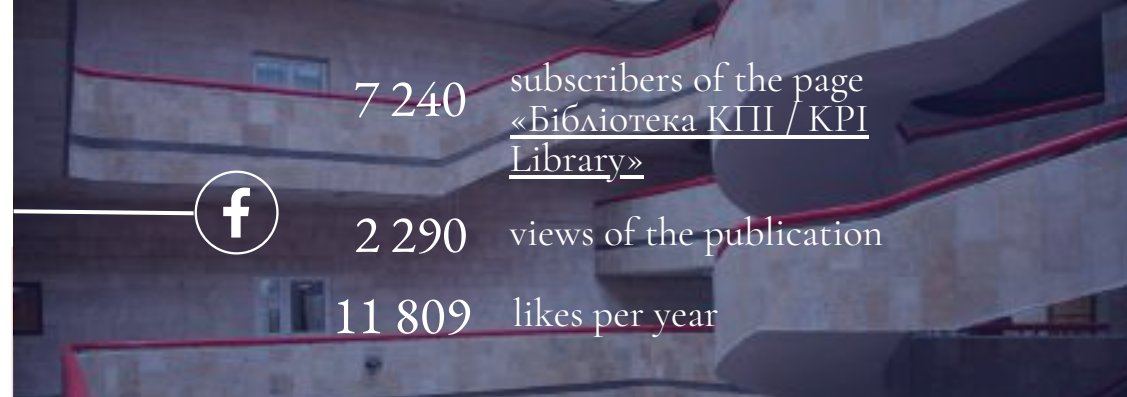
LIBRARY GUIDE

We have created a new [KPI Library Guide](#), which helps users to navigate the services, opportunities and spaces of the Library more easily



SOCIAL NETWORKS

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, the topics of posts on the Library's social media pages have expanded. In addition to publications within the traditional headings of the content plan, we covered support for Ukraine and Ukrainians both from foreign institutions and organizations and from cultural figures and writers. We prepared a number of thematic selections and posts dedicated to books about the war



Despite the difficulties of the first months of martial law and further challenges, including power outages and communication problems, the activity on the Library's social media pages did not stop



LIBRARY IN NUMBERS

2 365 893

printed
books

8 700

rare and valuable
editions

14 087

items
borrowed

7 156 891

downloads from the
electronic archive

45 786

electronic
archive

7 225 094

virtual
visits

26 182

registered
users

59 639

physical
visits

7 000 / 5 000

references /
consultations



310 days of war. KPI Library team. We continue to work for victory 💙💛

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