

The Countries Maintaining Research Ties with Russia despite Ukraine

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Is Russia's invasion of Ukraine redrawing the map of international scientific cooperation? Whereas Europe and the United States are swiftly moving to cut long-standing ties, the governments of China, India and South Africa are maintaining links.

They are members of the BRICS, a group of five countries — including Brazil and Russia — that work together to promote trade and economic development, and have an active programme of scientific cooperation. Last year, researchers from the 5 nations organized some 100 meetings under the BRICS umbrella in a spectrum of fields including astronomy, climate and energy, health and medicine.

Vaccines are an important focus. India and South Africa are leading a campaign for intellectual-property relief on COVID-19 vaccines during the pandemic. Last month, all five governments announced a new partnership on vaccines research and development at a launch event on 22 March attended by science and health ministers.

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European Union Halts Scientific Cooperation with Russia

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The European Commission has decided to halt cooperation with Russian entities in research, science and innovation in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, it announced on 4 March.

As a result, the Commission will not conclude any new contracts nor any new agreements with Russian organizations under the European Union's flagship €95.5 billion research and innovation funding program, Horizon Europe.

In addition, the Commission is suspending payments to Russian entities under existing contracts.

All ongoing projects, in which Russian research organizations are participating, are being reviewed – both under Horizon Europe and Horizon 2020, the previous EU program for research and innovation.

Since the Commission's announcement, the situation in Ukraine has deteriorated further, with Russian troops seizing the country's largest nuclear power plant, and shelling and bombarding a number of cities.

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In the Mad Rush to Disengage, We Join in Putin's Extremism

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The damage resulting from Russia's war on Ukraine appears to include the loss of rationality among segments of the academic community in North America and Europe. In their rush to disengage from all things Russian, academics, universities, publishers, scientific organizations and governments are cutting ties with everything and everyone.

We have argued why engagement with Russian colleagues and knowledge of Russia are essential at this point in time. Within the academic community, colleagues are now advocating against, or even cancelling, courses dealing with Russian society, history and culture.

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