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**Your Magnificence, dear Rector,**

allow me to inform you about our continued support for Ukraine and its heroic people in the just liberation struggle. Our university is one of several institutions in Slovakia who help Ukrainian citizens.

Specifically, in the last month, we have accepted twelve students from our partner universities in Odessa, Kharkiv, Lviv, and Mykolaiv, mostly fourth-year bachelor's students, several relatives and of these students, and we have welcomed one teacher and her daughter from Kharkiv Polytechnic.

Currently, within our joint master's degree programs, another fifteen students are in the phase of language preparation and programming improvement, who, if the situation allows, should come to Bratislava for summer school and later from October 1<sup>st</sup> for full-time study of the second year of our joint programs.

We would like to inform you that there are several IT companies in Slovakia who want to help Ukrainian students successfully complete their university studies. After graduation these students have possibility to enter the labor market in the European area and to support their relatives and national economy in Ukraine.

We would like to take advantage of this initiative and, together with our faculties and technical capabilities, offer you, your teachers, and students a helping hand in the following areas:

- students as well as graduates of master's degree programs in programming that are compatible with our joint master's program, to be additionally included in the preparation for participation in the second year of the joint program from the academic year 2022/2023,
- fourth-year bachelor's degree students in programming who need acute assistance to get to safety and complete their studies and who would be interested in pursuing a joint master's program.
- we can also provide a helping hand to third-year bachelor's students, who will try to find sponsors from IT companies to overcome this difficult period with their financial support to stay in Bratislava and to complete the bachelor's degree at their alma mater online.
- we can provide some limited assistance to the most vulnerable teachers who could apply for refugee status in Slovakia, and with this support we will provide them with accommodation for the necessary time.

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management board of our university in cooperation with the state organized help for refugees from Ukraine offers you these opportunities. We would prefer to be able to develop our relations in all areas of academic cooperation in peace, however in this difficult situation we will do everything in our power to support students, teachers, and their families.

We firmly believe that Ukraine will be able to establish peace and a new quality of life for its people as soon as possible, even with our help.

Слава Україні!



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