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# Ideas Have Consequences: Economists for Ukraine Contest



### IDEAS HAVE CONSEQUENCES: ESSAY CONTEST

TELL US HOW TO REBUILD UKRAINE'S ECONOMY!

At the end of the Soviet era, Ukraine faced missed opportunities for economic reform. Now, the Ideas Have Consequences Contest (IHCC) invites students worldwide to contribute to Ukraine's postwar economic revival. Your ideas and research can become policies that will shape Ukraine's future!

The winner and top five finalists will present their projects at one selected Free Market Road Show (FMRS) event!

The main prize-winner selected by the prize committee will receive a free round-trip and accommodations to Perth, Melbourne, and Sydney, Australia, to give public presentations!

The deadline for submissions to IHCC is Friday, October 20, 2023. Don't miss out!





#### **Overview - Essay Contest**

<u>The Mannkal Economic Education Foundation</u> and <u>Economists for Ukraine</u> accepted submissions for the Ideas Have Consequences Contest. Some of the winners presented their projects at the <u>Free Market Road Show</u> (FMRS) event in April 2024.

#### About the Ideas Have Consequences Contest

The Ideas Have Consequences Contest aimed to recognize and encourage undergraduate student scholarship, developing formal research projects and policy documents to rebuild Ukraine's post-war economy. The Mannkal Economic Education Foundation and Economists for Ukraine invited essays exploring, advancing, challenging, or applying the ideas of post-war reconstruction.

Students developed the suggestions made by Ron Manners AO in <u>the Warsaw/Kyiv Free</u> <u>Market Road Show speech</u> to create/identify/design policies for rebuilding Ukraine's postwar economy. The damage to Ukraine's infrastructure and economy from Russia's war exceeds \$700 billion. Economists for Ukraine are developing frameworks and collaboration networks to support current and future reconstruction efforts. <u>You can learn more here.</u>

## **THE WINNERS**





Name	Video & Written Essay Links
MAJOR WINNER Mr. Kostyantyn Karakis	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xhXwRzIrz5vh7x8fylK2NvDPwcD9QS2d/view?usp=sharing https://www.mannkal.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Kostiantyn-Karakis_Ukraine-at-the-Path-to- Freedom.pdf
Ms. Anna	https://www.mannkal.org/ukraine-contest-entry-2/
Zhytko	Anna-Zhytko_Reconstruction-of-Ukraine-after-the-War.pdf (mannkal.org)
Ms. Daria	https://drive.google.com/file/d/18yR37ftwqDrmHdEldcvFoRurlhJDjDcx/view?usp=sharing
Chernenko	Daria-Chernenko_Time-to-Think-Outside-of-the-Box.pdf (mannkal.org)
Mr.	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DN8XoNc9iowxpnV8LGW1VMTAfbyYvaSX/view
Volodymyr	https://www.mannkal.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Volodymyr-Kindrachuk_The-Potential-Impact-of-
Kindrachuk	Marketing-on-the-Reconstruction.pdf
Ms.	https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KzSa5CbkZvCiwjo_b_VwYttmoeTEE1g5/view
Kateryna	https://www.mannkal.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Kateryna-Cheremska_Kharkiv-Pain-Management-
Cheremska	Center.pdf
Ms.	mannkal.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/video_2024-02-05_23-50-05.mp4
Anastasia	https://www.mannkal.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Anastasia-Ahtemenko_Reconstruction-of-the-
Ahtemenko	Kakhovka-Hydroelectric-Power-Plant.pdf

#### MANNKAL WINNERS' PRESENTATIONS:

Part 1 –	Recovery of Ukraine - <u>https://youtu.be/3VSunwjqRNw</u>
	Our Mannkal Winners' presentations starts at 39:55 min.
Part III -	Bidenomics and Inflation - <u>https://youtu.be/turzoXur-bQ</u>
	Introduction to our Mannkal Winners' presentations – first 5 min only.

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL!**





To Ron Manners

Vienna, June 3rd 2024

#### Issue: Thank you - FMRS 2024 - Ideas Have Consequences

Dear Ron,

Now that the last stop of this year's **Free Market Road Show** is completed, we finally can take time to review outcomes and successes of 37 conferences that took place from March 5<sup>th</sup> to May 21<sup>st</sup> in 27 countries. FMRS 2024 was co-organized with more than 50 partners from universities, think tanks and free market groups. More than 160 speakers were involved in addition to the representatives of the partnering organizations. A full report will be provided in July at <u>freemarket-rs.com/past-tours/</u>,

We are very honored that you consider FMRS to be the appropriate setting for the presentation of the winning entries of the Economic Recovery Ukraine essay competition! Thank you for your trust and thank you for generously supporting these activities!

The preparation was much more complicated than expected, but the presentation of the young ladies in Zagreb was worth every effort. I trust that our dear friends and partners at the Liberal Students Association in Zaragoza have acknowledged your participation in the event in due time after the conference and we now may echo their words and extend our sincere thanks.

Daria Chernenko and Anastasia Ahtemenko presented on two occasions: In the morning of April 24<sup>th</sup> a special event that took place at the Croatian Catholic University featuring high ranking speakers, such as Vasyl Kyrylych, Ukraine Ambassador to Croatia, Miro Kovač, f. Foreign Minister of the Republic of Croatia, and Đuro Vidmarović, f. ambassador of Croatia to Ukraine, President of Croatia-Ukraine Friendship society. In the regular FMRS Zagreb event, I asked the students of Odesa Mechnikov National University and the Odesa State Agrarian University to share their findings with the audience and the international experts traveling with FMRS and each presented again their proposals in front of the student audience.

Daria Chernenko and Anastasia Ahtemenko were not only received warmly, but their approaches were discussed seriously and constructively. Everyone involved encouraged the two young ladies to continue working on their plans and offered their professional support. They were invited to join the speakers lunch with high ranking politicians after the event and they obviously integrated nicely.

We also hope that the arduous journey ultimately provided an opportunity to forget the situation at home for a few hours and to gain new, positive impressions.

Again, thank you for cooperation with FMRS and for supporting promising young talents in the spirit of freedom!

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Kolm

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