IUPAP resolution regarding international conferences in this time

IUPAP, during the darkest days of the cold war, apartheid and many other difficult political eras over the past 100 years, has always been able to do two things with care and responsibility:

i) Kept open the channels for scientific cooperation across all political and other divides in the hope and expectation that enhanced scientific collaborations are an important means to develop improved understandings between different peoples that contributes to world peace, and

ii) Expressed its concerns about any activity or intervention, including war, that impacts negatively on our ability to engage scientifically on a global scale and hence impacting negatively on (i) above.

IUPAP has issued its statement on the Russian invasion of Ukraine (https://iupap.org/2022/03/01/iupap-statement-on-the-events-occurring-in-ukraine-2022-03-01/) in accordance with (ii) above.

It will be inappropriate for IUPAP to bar any scientist, especially from a member nation, from any scientific activity in accordance with (i) above. So long as the work upholds the ethics and principles of science in its highest ideals, for example, does not contribute to weapons capabilities, IUPAP can see no reason to disallow Russian scientist participation in the affairs of the Union.

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