



# Call for papers to academic conference on political finance in Ukraine

V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University, the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) and the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) are jointly organising an academic conference about political party and campaign finance in Ukraine. The purpose of the event is to engage Ukrainian and international academics in a discussion about various key issues relating to political finance in Ukraine and abroad, with particular consideration of the recent presidential and parliamentary elections, and laying the foundation for further similar events after the October 2020 local elections. International political finance experts will participate in the event and provide feedback on the presented papers.

In preparation for this event, OSCE/ODIHR is now issuing a call to academics and practitioners in Ukraine for academic paper abstracts on related topics. The abstracts should include:

1. Name of proposed author(s)
2. Proposed title of paper
3. Main research question to be addressed
4. If applicable, hypothesis/hypotheses to be tested in the paper
5. Intended methodology
6. Sources to be used

The deadline for submitting an abstract is **14 October 2019**. The abstracts will be reviewed and selected authors contacted no later than 18 October 2019. **Please direct your abstracts together with the application form to [Jacopo.Leone@odihhr.pl](mailto:Jacopo.Leone@odihhr.pl), [mohman@ifes.org](mailto:mohman@ifes.org) and [j.bidenko@karazin.ua](mailto:j.bidenko@karazin.ua) indicating your name and “Call for papers to academic conference on political finance in Ukraine” in the subject line.**

Examples of academic fields covered (not exhaustive)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Political science</li> <li>• Law</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Anthropology</li> </ul>
Illustrative topics for abstracts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundraising by 2019 Ukrainian presidential and parliamentary elections parties and candidates</li> <li>• Spending of funds by 2019 Ukrainian presidential and parliamentary elections parties and candidates</li> <li>• Gender equality and political finance in Ukraine</li> <li>• Political finance and inclusion in Ukraine</li> <li>• The impact on the political finance process for Ukraine’s youth</li> <li>• Political finance and electoral/political violence in Ukraine</li> <li>• The role of new technologies in Ukrainian political finance</li> <li>• Compliance with political finance regulations in Ukraine</li> <li>• Formal or informal oversight of political finance regulations in Ukraine</li> <li>• The provision or use of public funding in Ukraine</li> <li>• International interference in Ukrainian election processes</li> </ul>



	<p>and party funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International standards of political finance and their application in Ukraine</li> <li>• Political finance in Ukraine in comparative context</li> <li>• Other topics that relate to current political party or campaign finance in Ukraine</li> </ul>
Length of abstracts	200-500 words
Length of final papers	Up to 5000 words (without bibliography)
Deadline for abstract submission	14 October 2019
Deadline for submission of selected papers	11 November 2019
Date of event	25-26 November 2019
Abstracts to be submitted to	<a href="mailto:Jacopo.Leone@odhr.pl">Jacopo.Leone@odhr.pl</a> , <a href="mailto:mohman@ifes.org">mohman@ifes.org</a> and <a href="mailto:j.bidenko@karazin.ua">j.bidenko@karazin.ua</a>
Language of written abstracts and papers and of event discussions	English (preferred) or Ukrainian