

International Conference

“Where Access Meets Belonging: Beyond Access, Towards Inclusion”

Hotel Grand Víglaš, Slovakia

P R O G R A M M E

15 September 2026

Participant Registration: 9:00 - 10:00

Conference Moderator: Ing. Ján Kollár, PhD.

10:00 - 10:10

Official Opening of the Conference

- Welcome address to participants
- Speech by Rector of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica,
doc. Ing. Vladimír Hiadlovský, PhD.

**Presentation of Project Results and Added Value
for Partner Institutions**

10:10 - 10:30

Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica, Slovakia
doc. Mgr. et Mgr. Ing. Miroslava Knapková, PhD.

10:30 - 10:50

University of Rzeszów, Poland
prof. UR dr hab. Anna Barwińska-Matajowicz

10:50 - 11:10

Ovidius University of Constanța, Romania
Maria Alina Carataș, PhD.

11:10 - 11:30

Discussion and Q&A

11:30 - 12:00

Coffee Break & Networking

12:00 - 13:00

Inclusion of Ukrainian Students in Higher Education: Experiences, Challenges and Perspectives

Panel Discussion

A panel discussion focusing on the integration of Ukrainian students at Slovak universities, support for inclusion provided by public institutions, and the human rights aspects of education in the context of migration.

Panellists:

University of Prešov

prof. ThDr. Mária Kardis, PhD.

Technical University of Košice

Ing. Natália Vašková, PhD.

Slovak National Centre for Human Rights

JUDr. Silvia Porubánová

13:00 - 14:30

Lunch

Individual Perspectives on the Inclusion of Ukrainian Students

14:30 - 14:50

Romanian Response to the Ukrainian Refugee Crisis – Constanța County (March 2022 – Present)

Prof. Magdalena Baciú-Iacob

14:50 - 15:10

Inclusion of Ukrainian Students from the Perspective of Domestic Students

Ing. Vanesa Kováčiková

15:10 - 15:30

Inclusion of Ukrainian Students from the Perspective of University Teachers

Mgr. Michael E. Dove

15:30 - 15:50

Inclusion of Ukrainian Students from the Perspective of University Teachers: Practical Experience

JUDr. Martin Píry, PhD., univ. doc.

16:00 - 17:30

Accompanying Programme & Networking Activities

Informal exchange of experiences, partnership building and development of international cooperation.

18:00 - 19:30

Networking Dinner

19:30

Official Closing of the Conference