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PIEDMONT UNIVERSITIES ON THE UKRAINE CONFLICT: BUILDING AND CONSOLIDATING PEACE BY DIPLOMATIC MEANS IS ACADEMIC MISSION

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The University of Turin, the Polytechnic of Turin, the University of Eastern Piedmont and the University of Gastronomic Sciences are united in their profound concern about the dramatic conflict in Ukraine. All four Universities are part of the [Universities for Peace Network](#) and express their strongest condemnation of war and the use of violence.

The Universities join the United Nations Secretary-General's appeal on 23 February 2022 to respect the UN Charter principles, call a ceasefire and open the way to dialogue and negotiation. Piedmont Universities share the acute pain of the people and communities caught up so dramatically in the conflict.

Their joint message is "We hope this conflict can be concluded as soon as possible and we are working to turn our concern into practical action. We are making preparations to welcome colleagues here who are affected by the conflict so that they can work in a safe environment just as we are working to support students who are equally victims of the war".