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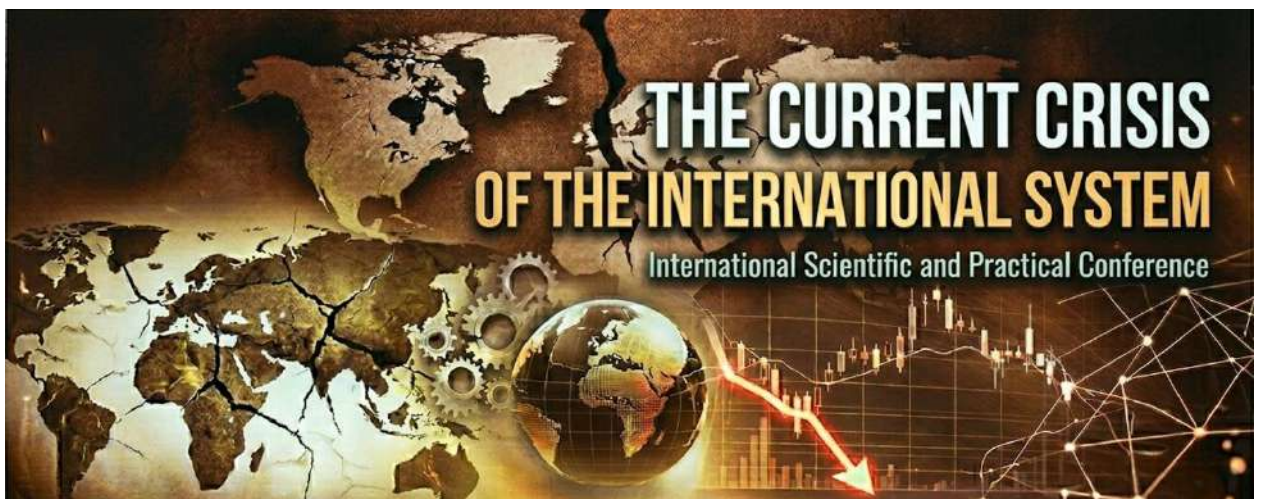
ANNOUNCEMENT

International Scientific and Practical Conference

THE CURRENT CRISIS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

May 27, 2026

10:00 a.m. (Kyiv time)



Kyiv – 2026

The current crisis in the international system represents a transition from a unipolar world to "managed chaos" or a new multipolar order, in which traditional international institutions (the UN, the OSCE) and multilateral alliances are losing their influence.

Predicted Consequences. These are trends that can already be calculated based on current political trajectories and economic cycles:

- **Regionalization of Security:** As global governance structures become increasingly ineffective, states are forming smaller "clubs" based on shared interests and geography (e.g., AUKUS, the Lublin Triangle, the European Big Three - Germany, France, and the UK).
- **Militarization of Economies:** Countries in the EU and Asia will steadily increase their defense budgets, which is likely to slow overall economic growth and lead to a reduction in social spending.
- **Economic Protectionism:** The ongoing retreat from globalization is taking various forms, including "friend-shoring" (trading exclusively with allied nations), direct tariff or coercive dictates, the strategic use of sanctions, and the implementation of restrictions aimed at reducing dependence on aggressive autocratic regimes.
- **Technological Curtain:** A widening gap between advanced and developing nations in the fields of Artificial Intelligence (AI), semiconductors, and space technologies.

Unpredictable Consequences. Risks that are difficult to forecast due to subjective factors and/or "domino effects":

- **Erosion of Nuclear Deterrence.** Should international law definitively fail to protect national sovereignty, it may trigger an avalanche of interest among middle powers in acquiring their own nuclear arsenals (a "nuclear cascade").
- **Rise of "Digital States".** The risk that major technology corporations will become more influential than mid-sized nations, dictating their own diplomacy and sets of rules.
- **Environmental and Resource Redistribution Wars.** Uncontrolled climate-driven migration could lead to the collapse of borders in regions previously considered stable. New conflicts may be ignited by the pursuit of physical control over mineral deposits, critical communications, and infrastructure.
- **Accelerated Dissolution and Reconfiguration of Existing Alliances.** Due to internal political polarization (e.g., in the US and the EU), long-standing alliances could lose their effectiveness or cease to exist within a matter of months.

Conference Objectives: The conference will feature discussions in the following thematic areas:

- 1. The accelerated collapse of the liberal international order and its visible alternatives.*
- 2. The Trump phenomenon in global instability: will the policies of the Trump administration usher in a new era of U.S. hegemony, and who stands to benefit?*
- 3. The international political outlook and economic weight of the EU: a rising center of power or an outsider in the great power competition?*
- 4. China's global role in the emerging international system.*
- 5. Prospects for the global economy as the blur of boundaries between war and peace.*

Venue: Sector of International Financial Research, State Organization "Institute for Economics and Forecasting of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine", 26 Panasa Myrnoho St., Kyiv, 01011.

Start Time: 10:00 AM (Kyiv time)

Format: in-person and via Zoom.

Conference working languages: Ukrainian, English

Conference moderators:

- **Olena Borzenko** - Dr. Sci (Econom), Professor, Head of the Sector of International Financial Research at the State Organization "Institute for Economics and Forecasting of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine";
- **Sergiy Tolstov** - PhD in History, Associate Professor, Head of the Department of Transatlantic Studies at the State Institution "Institute of World History of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine"

Presentation time limit: up to 10 minutes.

Conference email: conf_simr@ukr.net

Terms of participation: To participate in the conference, please send your application and abstract to the following email address: conf_simr@ukr.net

- **by May 25, 2026** - Submission of the presentation title,
- **by May 27, 2026** - Submission of the conference abstract.

Submission Guidelines

Length and Format: 3-5 pages (A4 size, portrait orientation), including figures, tables, and references. Font: Times New Roman, 14 pt; Line spacing: 1.5; Margins (top, bottom, left, right): 2 cm; Paragraph indent: 1.25 cm.

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Tables and Figures: All tables and figures must have a title (Times New Roman, 14 pt, bold) and be presented in portrait orientation. Sequential numbering with Arabic numerals and corresponding in-text citations are mandatory. Figures must be grouped as a single object.

Figure captions: Placed below the figure, center-aligned (e.g., Fig. 1).

Table captions: Placed above the table. The table number (e.g., Table 1) should be right-aligned; the table title should be on the next line, center-aligned and bold.

Note: Submissions with scanned figures or formulas will not be accepted.

Formulas: Must be center-aligned and numbered in parentheses on the right. Formulas should be created using the Microsoft Equation editor.

Citations and References: In-text citations must be provided in square brackets. The list of references should appear at the end of the paper in the order of citation, formatted according to the standard APA7.

Additional Formatting: Do not include page numbers. Hyphenation (word breaks) in the text is not allowed.

Author Responsibility: Authors are solely responsible for the accuracy of facts, quotes, proper names, and other data provided, and must guarantee the absence of academic plagiarism.

Submission Policy: Submissions that do not meet the formatting requirements or are received after the specified deadline will not be considered for review.

