

MANIFESTO FOR A NEW UKRAINE AND A NEW WORLD

FREE FROM WAR

FREE FROM FEAR

FREE FROM FOSSIL FUELS



WE ARE RAZOM WE STAND, AN INDEPENDENT UKRAINIAN CIVIL SOCIETY MOVEMENT DEDICATED TO THE DEFENCE AND LIBERATION OF OUR COUNTRY, THE PERMANENT DEFEAT OF RUSSIAN AGGRESSION, AND A GREEN ENERGY FUTURE FOR THE WORLD.

Working with allies in Europe, the US and beyond, we have confronted Russian propaganda, lobbied for tough sanctions, and educated politicians at a national and international level.

As we mark the first anniversary of Russia's illegal and brutal invasion of our country, we believe it is time for Ukrainian civil society to set out its vision for the future. Addressing the UK parliament in February 2023, President Zelensky said that "Ukrainian victory will change the world - the change the world has long needed". We agree. The promise of Ukraine's resistance to oppression must be realised by the entire world.

The rebuilding of Ukraine should be the beginning of a global movement for clean, renewable, and safe energy.

To achieve this green renaissance, Razom We Stand is demanding the following actions from national governments and international organisations including the European Union, the G7 and the G20.

01. SANCTIONS AGAINST RUSSIA MUST BE COMPLETE AND FULLY ENFORCED

Many countries across the world still deal, overtly or covertly, in Russian fossil fuels and other goods and services. We believe that Russia - now the world's most dangerous terrorist state - should face sanctions on the same scale as North Korea and other pariah states. States, corporations and individuals that breach sanctions should face severe legal and financial consequences. International bodies must also reaffirm that there will be no new investment in fossil fuel industry infrastructure in Russia.



02. INVESTMENT IN THE EUROPEAN CONTINENTAL GRID, INCLUDING UKRAINE

Ukraine has the potential to be a green energy giant. Crimea and southern Ukraine in particular could be centres of solar, wind and wave energy. A connected grid to which every country contributes and from which everyone benefits will strengthen the binds between nations and reduce the risk of conflict.





03. DEFUND THE FOSSIL FUEL INDUSTRY

Investment in fossil fuels drives instability and threatens security. Financial regulators, central banks, governments and international organisations must take immediate steps to disincentivise and ultimately bar investments in the fossil fuel extraction that threatens peace and security.

04. DEMOCRATISE GREEN TRANSITION

Communities in Ukraine and beyond must be given the freedom to develop and run their own clean energy sources, connected to the continental grid. Bureaucracy and barriers that ultimately favour private or state monopolies on ownership should be removed. The means to generate and use green energy should be an option that is available and affordable to everyone.



05. CUT GLOBAL OIL AND GAS DEMAND

Alongside the development of green energy sources, world leaders must urgently act to drastically reduce global demand for oil and gas. This will include electrification of public transport, incentivising use of electric vehicles, and a ban on the use of single use plastic.





UKRAINE DESERVES SUPPORT

The people of Ukraine have been steadfast and resilient in the face of unspeakable brutality in the last year.

The war against them will only end when Putin no longer has oil and gas blood money to fund his campaign of murder. But too many countries, in Europe and beyond, claim to enforce sanctions while still buying millions of dollars worth of Russian fossil fuels every day. That is why we call for the strictest sanctions possible, and a permanent ban on investment in the Russian oil and gas industries.



UKRAINE DESERVES HOPE

The heroes of Ukraine are not fighting for a world that stays the same. They are fighting for the future. That is why we call for a future free from fossil fuel dictators, where renewable energy is democratically produced and consumed.



UKRAINE DESERVES ACTION

A year on from the invasion, Ukraine needs the world to take decisive action to end the war and break free from the threat of fossil fueled tyranny.

Razom We Stand is making these calls for Ukraine, and for the world.

An aerial, high-angle photograph of a large, dense crowd of people, likely at a public event or festival. The image is in grayscale, with a semi-transparent blue graphic overlay in the center. The graphic consists of a grid of dots forming a shape that resembles a map of the world or a large, abstract letter. The text 'RAZOM WE STAND' is overlaid on this graphic in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The word 'RAZOM' is on the left, 'WE' is on the right, and 'STAND' is centered below 'WE'. The dots in the graphic are arranged in a way that they appear to be part of the crowd, with some dots being white and others being blue.

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