



# CIVIC SECTOR OF EUROMAIDAN GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT

## EuroMaidan Newsletter # 162

### Saying 'Russia must pay,' Kyiv sues Moscow at UN court

#### Fallon tells Trump: Freedom cannot be traded in Ukraine

Ukraine has sued Russia at the [UN International Court of Justice \(ICJ\)](#), accusing Moscow of acts of "terrorism" and "discrimination" related to its backing separatists in eastern Ukraine and its annexation of Crimea. [Full text of Ukraine's case.](#)

UN documents prove [Yanukovich asked Russia to send troops into Ukraine.](#)

Poroshenko warns [delays causing disillusionment with EU](#) in Ukraine.

UK's Fallon tells Trump: [Freedom cannot be traded in Ukraine.](#)

The outgoing U.S. ambassador to the United Nations has [accused Russia of engaging in aggressive and destabilizing actions](#) that she says are threatening the rules-based international order.

Obama's final press conference: ['Russia continues to occupy Ukrainian territory and meddle'](#).

[Russia dismisses Trump's proposal](#) to cancel sanctions in exchange for nuclear disarmament.

[Estonia and Lithuania moved on January 17 to shore up military relations with the United States](#) ahead of the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump.

[Lithuanian charity concert gathers](#) 140,000 Euro to support Ukraine.

Means, [goals and consequences of the pro-Kremlin disinformation](#) campaign.

[StopFakeNews #116](#) with Benjamin Cohen. This week's fakes include Russian media claims that Ukrainian MPs are either criminals or crazy, a UN-approved Russian seizure of Ukraine, and more.

Left: ["Chain of unity": people symbolically connected the banks of the Dnipro in Kyiv.](#)  
Right: [Is neutrality a solution for Ukraine?](#)



### What can Ukraine expect from Trump?

#### Russian analysts ponder possibility of Putin-Trump strategic alliance

[What can Ukraine expect from Trump:](#) temporary insanity or a permanent shift?

Three [signs Russian military and its political bosses are in trouble.](#)

Putin [leading Russia ever more rapidly to fascism and the world to war.](#) Israeli analyst.

[How far will Putin dare to go in 2017?](#)

[Hitler's Germany vs Putin's Russia:](#) the comparison of two countries.(Video)

This is how [online hate-rhetoric mutates our values.](#)

Russian analysts split on [whether "a strategic](#)

[alliance" will be formed between V. Putin and incoming US President D. Trump](#) and thus define the direction of the world.

[Nuclear grand bargain unlikely but talk of it may serve Moscow's interests.](#)

Kremlin [disinformation campaign extremely successful](#) – EU East Stratcom.

[Russification through the church.](#) O.Havrosh

In [contrast to Yanukovich, Poroshenko is not an idiot but an experienced and cautious politician.](#) Therefore, he should not be criticized for entirely different things. Portnikov

## New law will allow foreign peacekeeping exercises in Ukraine Russia wants to discredit Minsk, get sanctions removed without leaving Donbas

Ukrainians hold [“Stop Putin's War in Ukraine” action in Sydney](#).

Russia wants to [discredit Minsk Agreement to get sanctions removed without leaving Donbas](#).

Following a period of relative calm in much of eastern Ukraine over the New Year and Christmas period, those who prefer to threaten and use force are [once again undermining security for the inhabitants of Donetsk and Luhansk regions](#), said the OSCE Chairperson’s Special Representative Martin Sajdik and the Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission.

How to satisfy the [cultural hunger in the East](#)?

[Airspace over Donbas singled out as separate zone in Ukraine](#).

[Verkhovna Rada approved a law allowing foreign forces to enter Ukraine](#) for peacekeeping exercises.

[Russia arms and trains its militants in Donbas](#) – U.S. Mission to OSCE.

Eastern Ukraine: The lasting scars of conflict ([photos](#)).

[Royal Navy warship to enter the Black Sea port of Odesa](#) in 2017 as part of British assistance to Ukraine.

[New Ukrainian main battle tank](#) to give new life to old Soviet T-64 and T-72 tank hulls.

Dzhemilev assesses [chances to regain Crimea by force](#).

### Euromaidan in Focus

[Places of Euromaidan's hottest battles on Jan. 22, 2014: now and then](#). (Video).

Over half the Berkut [officers suspected of Maidan killings given shelter by Russia](#).

Left: [How improving relations with Russia threatens world peace](#)  
Right: [Protester detained in St. Petersburg. Third anti-war protest #StopPutinsWarInUkraine took place worldwide.](#)



## Rights groups unite to fight torture amid dangerous escalation in Donbas Russia investigating ex-teacher who wrote pro-Ukraine poetry

Russian authorities have launched a fresh [investigation targeting a former teacher](#) in Russia's western region of Oryol who was convicted of inciting ethnic hatred and sacked from his job for writing a pro-Ukraine poem.

[Russia invades Crimea, then charges Ukrainians](#) with ‘violent seizure of power’.

Ukrainian [rights groups unite to fight torture amid dangerous escalation](#) in Donbas.

Russia's Investigative Committee initiates [criminal proceedings against five Russians allegedly involved in Right Sector](#).

Crimean Tatar World Congress [summoned world to recognize 1944 deportation as genocide](#).

## Ukraine, Switzerland agree to recover Yanukovich deposit

### Healthcare reforms to continue - Dr. Suprun prevails

[IMF demands Ukraine to implement](#) pension reform, reduce the number of state employees, abolish the simplified tax system, and open the land market.

[Healthcare reform in Ukraine under attack](#) of old mafia clans.

[Healthcare reforms to continue](#). Dr. Suprun prevails against pro-Kremlin politicians.

[Ukraine to get drugs on schedule for first time in five years](#), - Suprun.

Jan 23 Headlines. The IMF and Ukraine days away from terms on new tranche, [Kyiv in talks over big projects, and much more](#).

The index for monitoring of reforms (iMoRe) remains low. [Progress was observed in public administration reform, public finances and the business environment](#). Even though these areas have benefitted from a number of progressive legislative actions, the index value is low due to several anti-reforms.

With free trade under attack in London and Washington, [Canadian MPs hail their new free trade pact with Ukraine](#).

Anti-corruption agency announces [second round of e-declaration](#) in Ukraine.

The [NBU goal and tasks for 2017](#): inflation targeting alone is not enough.

Ukraine, Switzerland [agree to recover Yanukovich Swiss deposit](#).

Top Ukraine [court posts for super-rich judges & defender of Yanukovich's dictatorship laws?](#)

One of Poroshenko chocolate factories planning to [shut its factory in Russia for "economic and political reasons" and lay off 700 workers](#).

[Oligarchs have captured the Ukrainian state. However, they are more a symptom than the cause of the country's crisis](#). Successful "de-oligarchization" will not bring real progress, but only give rise to a new generation of oligarchs. What is needed instead is a political culture of transparency and accountability.

The [failed promise of deoligarchization](#) in Ukraine.

[Senior customs officers in Lviv removed from duty](#) amid probe into bribery.

National Unity Day, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Left: [12,000 people worldwide take part in #UnitedUkraine flashmob](#).

Right: Ukrainian exhibit honors lives lost in Russian hybrid war. [\(video\)](#).



## \$3.8 bn invested in Ukraine in 2016

### Second "three-parent" baby born in Ukraine

[IT outsourcing markets review](#): Bulgaria vs. Ukraine.

Foreign [businesses invested USD 3.8 billion in Ukraine](#) last year, double 2015.

A Ukrainian lawmaker has written to Elon Musk, the CEO of U.S. electric car producer Tesla Motors, asking that the tech entrepreneur [consider building a Tesla car factory in Ukraine](#).

[Second "three-parent" baby born](#) in Ukraine using new technique.

Left: Typical [Ukrainian family](#).

Right: [Ukrainian embroidery](#): history, regional features, colors and patterns



## The strange story of Bogdan Stashinsky

### Ukraine's Paralympics team tops medal standings at 2017 World Cup

Memorial [plaque of OUN leader Konovalets unveiled](#) in Kyiv.

assassinated Ukrainian anti-communist movement leaders Lev Rebet and Stepan Bandera.

Ukraine's Paralympics team has [topped the medal standings of the 2017 Para Nordic Skiing World Cup](#).

The fascinating [stories behind Kyiv's eight bridges](#).

[The strange story of Bogdan Stashinsky](#) who

The unbelievably stunning architecture of [Chernivtsi National University](#) (video).

Left: [Ukrainians celebrate Vodokhreshche](#) (Epiphany) in extreme cold  
Right: January 18: "[Hungry Kutya](#)" or [Second Holy Night](#): traditions and customs.



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