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1.5 million Ukrainian families are internally displaced

Why Ukraine's banning of Russian journalists is not a war on journalism

[Two years of Poroshenko's presidency](#): failures and achievements.

[Odesa Security Forum 2016](#). Top experts provide hybrid solutions to security issues in the Black Sea Region.

President Petro Poroshenko categorically [denied accusations that he violated Ukrainian legislation](#) and invented tax evasion schemes.

Social Policy Ministry: Nearly [1.5 million Ukrainian families are internally displaced](#).

Recovering [assets stolen by ousted Ukrainian President should be top priority](#). Ukraine's leader asks Transparency International to assist in returning plundered funds.

Network of [tunnels with safes found in basement of arrested official](#).

Ukrainian security service says it [foiled 15 terrorist attacks in France](#). Ukraine [arrested a French citizen](#) who planned a Euro 2016 attack.

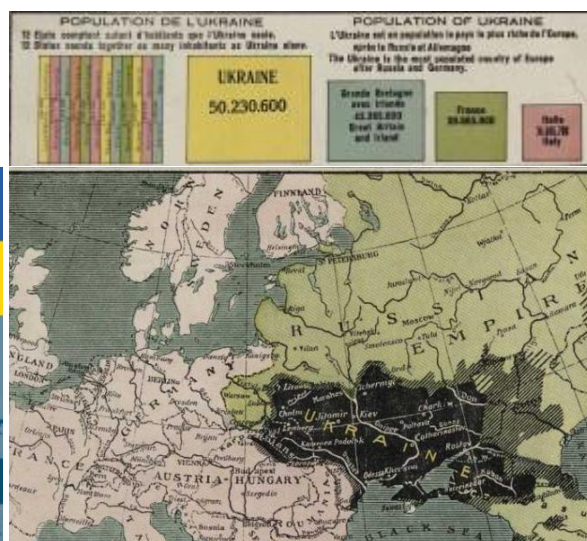
[MH17 Crash: Prosecutors increase pressure on Russia](#). Dutch prosecutors say they are still waiting for Russia to provide information on the MH17 downing over Ukraine.

Ukraine was condemned over [banning 17 Russian journalists](#) who "stir hatred" and sell propanada.

[StopFake News](#): a claim that the US Ambassador to Russia is calling for sanctions against Moscow to be lifted, Nadiya Savchenko is accused of writing a new Mein Kampf, Russia turns a sleepy German town into a foreign policy.

Left: International protest "[Stop Putin's war in Ukraine](#)" planned for 10 June 2016.

Right: Breaking Russian myths about Ukraine: [infographics of 1914-1919](#)



Don't celebrate Ukraine's new judicial changes yet

Savchenko: World must realize that Putin's craving will never be satisfied.

Savchenko: "World must realize that [Putin's craving will never be satisfied](#). He strives to capture more regions and countries over and over again"

Ukraine is the [bastion of a new, better order in Europe](#) - Leszek Balcerowicz, the legendary Polish reformer.

How [Minsk-2 may help resolve the Ukrainian Donbas problem](#) - Sir Robert Cooper from London School of Economics.

Ukraine's [parliament has ignored warnings](#) from human rights organizations and the Reanimation Package of Reforms and passed constitutional

amendments and a bill on the judicial system which retain the old ways of exerting influence on judges.

Ukraine's Verkhovna Rada: [an oligarchs' club or a real parliament?](#)

National responsibility: Why [Savchenko is not a ticking bomb](#) for Ukraine.

[The paradoxes of post-Soviet world](#): education and research Ukraine in the context of the current political situation. - S. Kvit.

Big [data can help determine university funding](#).

WWII: [A new 'religion' for Russia](#).

Donbas conflict affects over half million Ukrainian children

Fighting in Donbas kills 68 children

Donbas [conflict affects over half million Ukrainian children](#) – UNICEF.

The situation in eastern Ukraine after two years of conflict "remains volatile and continues to have a severe impact on human rights," a new [UN report](#): active fighting has decreased; but, experts warn that the [situation could develop into a protracted conflict or escalate again](#).

At least [37 soldiers killed in May](#) in Russia's war against Ukraine. In May, about [180 rebel servicemen were killed in Donbas, half of them Russian](#) regulars.

Russia is [practising new schemes of military operations](#) in ATO area in eastern Ukraine.

Jun 6. [Militants launched 35 attacks](#) on Ukrainian forces positions. [Ukrainian troops repel assault attempt](#) on stronghold in Mayorsk.

Jun 5. Ukrainian [positions at Avdiivka were shelled twice with large-caliber mortars](#). Militant sniper reported in Pisky. [Militants deny OSCE observers access](#) to their strongholds.

Jun 4. The pro-Russian illegal armed groups continue to resort to [more intensive armed provocations. A total of 49 attacks](#) were launched on Ukrainian positions.

NATO helps Lviv military hospital [open occupational therapy kitchen, wheelchair workshop](#).

General Director of Kharkiv [Tractor Plant was going to give equipment and blueprints to Russia](#), - SBU.

Russians see [United States, Ukraine and Turkey as their biggest enemies](#).

Russia threatens [new crusade against Ukraine, Latvia, Estonia](#).

A [new Russian propaganda agency](#) has started up in Kyiv as part of the Kremlin's fifth column of "soft power". The Institute of Peace.

Kremlin-backed militants to put maimed and [tortured hostage on 'trial'](#).

Left: National Guard conducted [water test of the most advanced Ukrainian APC](#) built to date.

Right: Fighting in Donbas [kills 68 children](#).



2.7 million people don't enjoy fundamental rights and freedoms

Crimean peaceful protesters get violent awakening to Russian real world

[USSR not dead](#) in Russia-occupied Crimea.

Among the 50 or more [Crimeans violently dispersed while holding a peaceful protest](#) on June 4 was one communist deputy who played an extremely active role in supporting Russia's invasion and annexation of Crimea.

[Russia's trial of 4 Crimean Tatars](#) on gravely flawed 'terrorism' charges began June 1 as with a flagrant but telling infringement of the men's right to a fair trial.

Crimean Tatar journalist [accused of 'extremism' and incitement for call to help children](#).

May 27, the day before an exam, FSB officers

turned up at a school in Feodosia to grill Crimean Tatar [9th grade students on possible 'incorrect' thinking](#).

[Russia steps up terror](#) with abduction of Crimean Tatar activist Ervin Ibragimov.

[2.7 million people on occupied territories don't enjoy fundamental rights and freedoms](#) –UN Assistant Secretary-General human rights.

Russian expert in Ukrainian Library Director case [finds 'extremism' in children's magazine](#).

[Russia rejects appeal](#) against Ukrainian filmmaker Sentsov's 20-year sentence.

ProZorro already saved 1.5 billion hryvnia Ukrainian Parliament Passes Judicial Reforms

Ukrainian [Parliament passes judicial reforms](#). However, changes foreseen by the law “On amendments to the Constitution regarding justice” have rather [ambivalent meaning](#). Some experts have already labeled it a “betrayal.” Others say that it is a big step forward, albeit with disagreeable points.

At least [5,000 out of 7,000 judges will be dismissed under the amendments to the Constitution](#) of Ukraine.

[ProZorro has already saved 1.5 billion](#) hryvnia, Ukraine’s First Vice Prime Minister says.

The Ukrainian parliament on May 31 approved a bill to [cancel the obligatory registration of investments](#) in a bid to reduce barriers to the flow of capital into the country.

With one foot in the Economy Ministry and the other in the management of two of Ukraine’s biggest state-owned monopolies, [First Deputy Economy Minister Yuliya Kovaliv](#) is poised to take the top job if she wants it.

Ukraine vies for [top honor in crony capitalism index](#).

First deputy prosecutor general, known for role in [opposing the reform of the PGO, Yury Sevruk, handed in his resignation](#). The hundreds of [employees in the Prosecutor's Office to be laid off](#) include those who live above their income and who

are believed to be corrupt.

New agriculture minister to [focus on small farms](#).

Ukraine [exported almost 36.5 mln tonnes](#) of 2015 grain harvest.

International [auditors start to explore terra incognita of state-owned companies](#). In the account books of Ukraine’s biggest government-owned enterprises, international auditors found all vices of state management: sweetheart deals, political populism, inefficiency, and obsolete assets.

New leadership gives [hope for revival of Ukrzaliznytsia](#) national railway network. [Wojciech Balczun officially heads Ukrzaliznytsia](#). The newly appointed top manager willing to hire one more Polish citizen to control spending.

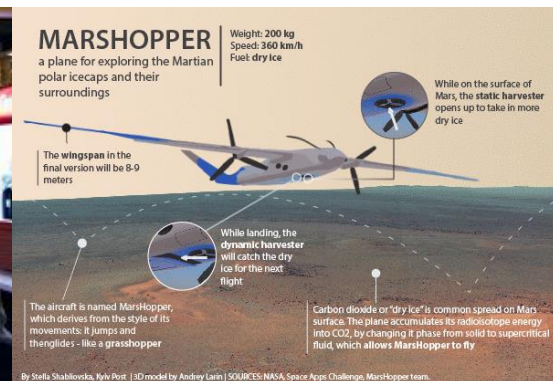
Hroisman announces [launch of supplies of affordable Western medicines](#) in Ukraine.

Rotten to the Core: [Documents show \\$2 billion bribe network](#), moral bankruptcy. [NABU to identify persons exposed](#) in Party of Regions' leaked records.

The [National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine asked Zakarpattia oblast Governor Hennady Moskal to provide the facts](#) he supposedly knew when he accused ex-president Yushchenko and his entourage of receiving one billion dollars as a bribe from the Regions party in 2008.

Left: When Oksana Romanyuk came across a basement in central Kyiv for rent, she thought “this is it - [this is where I will open the bar.](#)”

Right: Ukrainian invention to [feel out the ground for Mars colonization](#).



Ukrainian Big Data startup is overtaking US giants

Ukrainian-based company Ciklum wins the IOT For Cities Hackathon

How [Ukrainian Big Data startup is overtaking US giants](#) in Asia’s hot markets.

Ukrainian agritech startup Agri Eye raised from an angel and [aims to improve land farming](#).

[Ukrainian-based company Ciklum wins the IOT For Cities Hackathon](#) during the Internet of Things World in Santa Clara, California.

[Nine Ukrainian startups](#) you need to try.

Left: [Jamala 1944](#)
[violin cover](#) for
Eurovision 2017.
Kharkiv version

Right: [Ukrainian](#)
[orchestra performs](#)
'Game of Thrones'
theme song at iron and
steel works factory



Ukrainian makeup artists wins prestigious scholarship

Ingredients for life found on Churyumov-Gerasimenko comet

The authors, the readers and the anti- bourgeois persecutors of [romance novels in the 1920s](#).

Remains of [Prince Volodymyr's ancient palace](#) 'at risk from Kyiv officials' inaction'.

[Comet discovered by Ukrainians contains ingredients for life](#). Rosetta mission finds amino acid glycine and phosphorus on Churyumov-Gerasimenko comet.

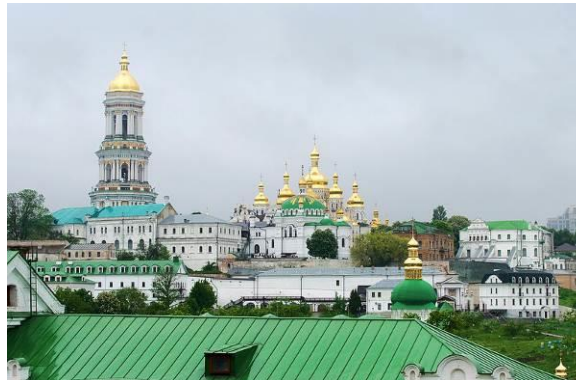
Ukrainian Zantaraia won [gold at 2016 Madrid European Judo Open](#).

The [Ukrainian team won gold, silver and two bronze](#) medals on the final day of the 2016 World Cup Rhythmic Gymnastics in Guadalajara, Spain.

Ukrainian [makeup artist wins prestigious Hollywood scholarship](#).

Left: Kyiv : Why you should visit the underrated & [cool capital of Ukraine](#)

Right: How to get that \$1,000 [embroidered dress](#) you've been seeing for under \$100



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