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The barbaric attack of the Russian Federation against Ukraine is against the basic principles of a sustainable, democratic and equitable society.

In response to the appeal launched by the [Ukrainian Library Association](#), EBLIDA, [NAPLE](#) and [Public Libraries 2030](#) urge libraries all over Europe to mobilise in favour of accurate information to be spread on the conflict as a means to support democracy and freedom of expression. Libraries are also urged to support any Ukrainian refugees, in collaboration with governmental and non-governmental organisations (for instance, Sanctuary cities, Sant'Egidio community, etc.). We should be ready to find practical solutions and be prepared to provide Ukrainians with assistance and services as needed.

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Notes to editor

EBLIDA is the community and networking hub for all library, information and documentation associations and institutions in Europe striving towards a sustainable, democratic and equitable society.

NAPLE is an international non-governmental association pursuing the interests of the national library authorities in Europe. Its main aim is to promote principles and strategies for public library policies.

PL2030 is a Brussels-based organisation working for over seven years to build connections between innovative library practice and build recognition of the contribution of the library sector in EU institutions.

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