

Update on Our Actions: War in Ukraine

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The following message was shared with IBMers worldwide on Monday, March 7, 2022.

I've heard from many of you in response to [last week's announcement](#) regarding the war in Ukraine, and I appreciate your feedback. First, let me be very clear -- we have suspended all business in Russia. In addition, I want to give you an update on a few of the efforts underway to support our colleagues in the region.

IBMers' support for Ukrainian refugees in neighboring countries is truly inspiring. For example, a newly developed and deployed IBMer Resource Finder Map connects Ukrainian IBMers and IBM contractors fleeing their country with IBM colleagues in the immediate CEE region who can offer assistance, including lodging, transportation, food and supplies, for them and their families. It is heartening to see that hundreds of CEE employees have already signed on as volunteers in less than 24 hours.

IBMers around the world are encouraged to continue making donations to the [International Red Cross](#). In addition, the company is donating to two organizations that are providing critical support to the most heavily impacted areas: \$250,000 to People in Need in Czech Republic, and \$250,000 to Polish Humanitarian Action in Poland.

In Ukraine, we have been in constant touch with our local teams and continue to provide assistance that includes relocation and financial support. The safety and security of IBMers and their families in all areas impacted by this crisis remains our top priority.

Thank you,
Arvind