



Ukrainian–Swiss Encounters Through the Centuries

This lecture series explores the long and multifaceted history of Swiss-Ukrainian relations from the 19th century to the present day. From the role of Swiss entrepreneurs in Ukraine's industrial modernization to political exiles inspired by Swiss federalism and the humanitarian ties forged in times of upheaval, the series sheds light on the historical bridges that connect the two countries.

23 October 2025

Eva Maeder and Volodymyr Kotsarenko : *Conrad Gamper and the Swiss Contribution to Industrialization of Kramatorsk in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.*

30 October 2025

Bela Kapossy and Anastasiia Shevchenko : *Mykhailo Drahomanov: Switzerland on Ukrainian Intellectual Map of Europe.*

6 November 2025

Liliia Bilousova : *The Swiss in Odessa: 19th – early 20th century.*

20 November 2025

Antonina Skydanova : *Ukrainian-Swiss Diplomatic Relations in 1918 – 1923 : Challenges of the Revolutionary Era.*

18 December 2025

Oksana Ovsiuk : *Ukrainians in Switzerland: Life in Hope and Uncertainty.*



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