

HOW AND WHY THE REGISTER WAS CREATED

On 14 November 2022 the UN General Assembly adopted Resolution A/RES/ES-11/5 “Furtherance of remedy and reparation for aggression against Ukraine”, which recognised the need for an international mechanism for reparation for damage and recommended the establishment of an international register of damage as a first step.

In response to the above-mentioned UN Resolution, in May 2023 the Council of Europe established the Register of Damage for Ukraine by concluding an Enlarged Partial Agreement.

To date, 44 States and the European Union have joined the Register. In total, the Register has 41 Members and 4 Associate Members. Membership in the Register is open to both Council of Europe member States and non-member States.

REGISTER’S DOCUMENTS

- Rules Governing the Submission, Processing and Recording of Claims;
- Categories of Claims Eligible for Recording;
- forms and rules approved for all categories of claims;
- Principles on the Protection of Personal Data in the Work of the Register;
- Rules on the Use of Representatives.

These and other documents related to the Register’s activities can be found on its website via the QR code:



Further information regarding the Register can be found on the website:
www.RD4U.claims/uk

or via the QR code:



A claim to the Register of Damage can be submitted via the QR code:



REGISTER’S LOCATIONS

HEADQUARTERS

The Hague, Netherlands

SATELLITE OFFICE

Kyiv, Ukraine

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*(For cooperation queries only.
Individual consultations will not be provided)*

The Secretariat, headed by the **Executive Director**, ensures the daily operation of the Register and its systems, organises the submission of claims, their processing and forwarding, together with recommendations, to the Board for its consideration and decision on recording of claims in the Register.

ELIGIBILITY OF CLAIMS

For a claim to be recorded in the Register, it must meet three eligibility criteria set out in the Register’s Statute. In particular, claims must be submitted in relation to damage, loss or injury caused:

- on or after 24 February 2022;
- on the territory of Ukraine within its internationally recognised borders, extending to its territorial waters;
- by internationally wrongful acts of the Russian Federation in or against Ukraine.

WHO CAN SUBMIT A CLAIM TO THE REGISTER

Claims to the Register can be submitted by:

- individuals;
- legal bodies (businesses);
- the State of Ukraine, including its regional and local authorities, as well as State-owned or controlled entities.

CATEGORIES OF CLAIMS

In total, a list of 43 categories of claims that can be recorded in the Register has been approved. The claims categories relate, inter alia, to involuntary displacement in or outside of Ukraine, various types of violations of personal integrity, loss of access to healthcare or education, damage, destruction or loss of property, including cultural objects and buildings, damage to environment, demining-related expenses, humanitarian expenditures, business and other economic losses, etc.

The categories of claims are subject to change and/or clarification.



REGISTER OF DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE AGGRESSION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AGAINST UKRAINE

MANDATE AND FUNCTIONS

Categories, eligibility and submission of claims

www.RD4U.claims



MANDATE OF THE REGISTER

The Register of Damage Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine (RD4U) serves as a record of all eligible claims for damage, loss or injury caused by the aggression of the Russian Federation in or against Ukraine.

The Register does not assess damages and does not make decisions on compensation. After a claim is recorded in the Register, it will be transferred to the Claims Commission which will be established and which will consider it on the merits and make a decision on payment of compensation.

The Register’s mandate includes facilitating and actively participating in ongoing efforts aimed to establish the Claims Commission.

FUNCTIONS OF THE REGISTER

The Register’s main task is to receive and process claims and related evidence. This includes categorising, classifying and organising such claims based on various criteria.

The Register processes the claims and determines their compliance with the established eligibility criteria (see below). Eligible claims are then recorded in the Register for further examination on the merits and evaluation by the future claims commission that is yet to be established.

STRUCTURE OF THE REGISTER

The Conference of Participants is the highest governing body of the Register, which has full responsibility for the fulfilment of the Register’s mandate and which, inter alia, approves the rules and regulations of the Register proposed by the Board.

The Board of the Register has overall responsibility for the performance of the Register’s functions and has the highest authority in determining the eligibility of claims for recording in the Register.

HOW TO SUBMIT A CLAIM TO THE REGISTER

The procedure for submission, processing and recording of claims is governed by various rules and regulations.

These include, inter alia, Rules Governing the Submission, Processing and Recording of Claims, which deal with various issues common to all claims categories, as well as claim forms and rules approved for each separate claim category.

Thus, the latter contain information on who can be a claimant in a particular claim category, information on what kind of damage, loss or injury can be claimed in a particular claim category, requirements concerning evidence, etc.

A claim to the Register can only be submitted through the Diia web portal (in section “Reparations: International Register of Damage”). In the future, it will also be possible for individuals to submit claims through Centres for Provision of Administrative Services.

More detailed instructions on how to submit a claim can be found on the Register’s website: www.rd4u.coe.int/en/submit-a-claim.

Also, claimants may wish to consult frequently asked questions concerning submission of claims to the Register and different categories of claims opened for submission: www.rd4u.coe.int/en/faq.

Important: no fee is charged for the submission of a claim and no such fee is expected in the future.