

NAWA Urgency Grant „, SOR-WAR Project. Social Order Resilience During the War in Ukraine. Ukrainian and Polish Experiences.”

The topic of the proposed research is the transformation of social order in the face of war in Ukraine. Our study focuses on the analysis of the phenomenon of social self-organisation as a key factor in the processes of enhancing the resilience of local communities. The main aim is to diagnose the relationship between 1) the social order created by grassroots, spontaneous actions and self-organisation, and 2) the institutional order organising the functioning of local communities.

The results of the project are to address four types of theoretical and applied goals:

- to collect data which systematically will document social activities caused by the war;
- to describe the processes of formation, institutionalisation and disintegration of grassroots social order as a reaction to war-related risks;
- to understand the mechanisms that create and develop resilience, understood as the ability to deal flexibly with threats to the functioning of local communities;
- to develop and implement solutions that will allow more effective management of social processes and collective actions in a situation of threat.

The planned research will be carried out in Ukraine and Poland. It will cover three types of socio-spatial systems, differing essentially in their exposure to the threat of hostilities: 1) Zaporozhye and/or Kiev (Ukraine), 2) L'viv (Ukraine) and 3) Wrocław (Poland).

The study will use a whole spectrum of research methods and approaches: diaries, systematic observation, anthropological fieldwork, questionnaire research (survey) as well as active research and sociological intervention.