



**SUPREME COURT**  
REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA

Prof. Dr. Oleksandr Petryshyn  
Acting Chairman  
Constitutional Court of Ukraine

Tartu, 13 April 2026

**Proposal for an Estonian Judicial Study Visit to Ukraine**

Dear Mr Petryshyn,

The Supreme Court of Estonia proposes a study visit to Ukraine by a delegation of the Estonian judiciary, envisioned to take place from 20 to 25 April 2026.

The primary focus of this visit is to better familiarise ourselves with the complex challenges of investigating and adjudicating offences against humanity and international security – especially war crimes – in a wartime setting. To this end, the delegation's goal is to meet with both the investigators and the judges who are engaged in handling these critical offences. We are also keenly interested in what issues of constitutionality, including substantive and procedural law, have arisen in your practice, particularly regarding norms governing criminal procedures and legal proceedings in general.

In light of this, we would like to formally request the possibility of arranging a meeting with the distinguished judges of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine. Furthermore, if it is feasible and strictly permitted under your current security regulations, a short on-site visit to first- and second-level courts operating outside of Kyiv would serve us incredibly well!

This wider perspective would undoubtedly contribute to strengthening the cooperation between the Estonian and Ukrainian judiciaries. We are eager to learn from you directly in this specific field, and we would be deeply grateful for any knowledge and experiences you can share to help us improve our own practices.

The Estonian study group would consist of the following members:

- **Mr Villu Kõve**, President of the Supreme Court of Estonia
- **Mr Paavo Randma**, Justice of the Criminal Chamber of the Supreme Court of Estonia
- **Mr Pavel Gontšarov**, Judge of the Criminal Chamber of the Tallinn Court of Appeal
- **Mr Priit Kama**, Chairman of the Viru Circuit Court
- **Mr Taavi Pern**, State Prosecutor at the Estonian Prosecutor's Office
- **Mr Üllar Kaljumäe**, Director of the Supreme Court of Estonia
- **Mr Madis Metelitsa**, Adviser at the Legal Information and Judicial Training Department of the Supreme Court of Estonia

We look forward to the opportunity of strengthening the ties between our judiciaries.

Yours sincerely,

Villu Kõve  
President  
Supreme Court of Estonia

