

CU FA Hosted Debate with Leading Investigators of War Crimes in Ukraine

In November, 2022 the Department of East European Studies at CU FA and the Prague Civil Society Centre held the debate “Fight for Justice: A talk with Ukrainian lawyers documenting Russia’s war crimes.” The whole session was recorded and the recording is freely accessible online.

Speakers included Sasha Romantsova, Executive Director of the Centre for Civil Liberties (2022 Nobel Peace prize winners), Daryna Pidhorna and Kseniia Korniiienko from the Regional Centre for Human Rights, and Natalia Okhotnikova from Human Rights Centre ZMINA. Tomáš Brolík, Deputy Editor of Respekt magazine, moderated the talk.

Participants discussed how the evidence of Russian war crimes is collected – such as the abduction of Ukrainian children from temporarily occupied territories for adoption in Russia – what international legal mechanisms and support are necessary for execution of justice, and what challenges have to be faced by those documenting the crimes.