

# European Mennonite Leaders' Conference

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## Report on the Conference

Representatives from over 20 countries came together to share news and fellowship

The conference began with people arriving on Thursday evening. It was good to reconnect with old friends and to meet new people who have joined the group in recent years.

On Friday morning, each representative was given ten minutes to share updates and prayer requests concerning the challenges and opportunities for the anabaptist movement in their own countries. The meetings were very well moderated by the EMLC Co-ordinator, José Arrais, from Portugal.

There was a consistent focus on Ukraine throughout the meetings. It was a blessing to meet delegates from the Ukrainian Mennonite churches, who reported on how the war had affected them and their communities.

In my presentation I mentioned the recent work of the Anabaptist Mennonite Network and some of the projects we support, such as Peaceful Borders and Soulspace. I also mentioned the Anabaptist Theology Forum and invited our European partners to get involved and to find out more about our work through our website and newsletter.



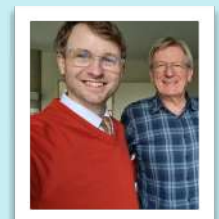
### DHM Presentation

On Saturday morning I gave a presentation on the work of Dnipro Hope Mission in Ukraine



### Support for Ukraine

Ukrainian Mennonite Pastor, Roman Rakhuba, spoke movingly about his experience of the war



### President of the Mennonite World Conference

It was good to meet Dr Henk Stenvers, who sends his greetings to everyone at AMN