

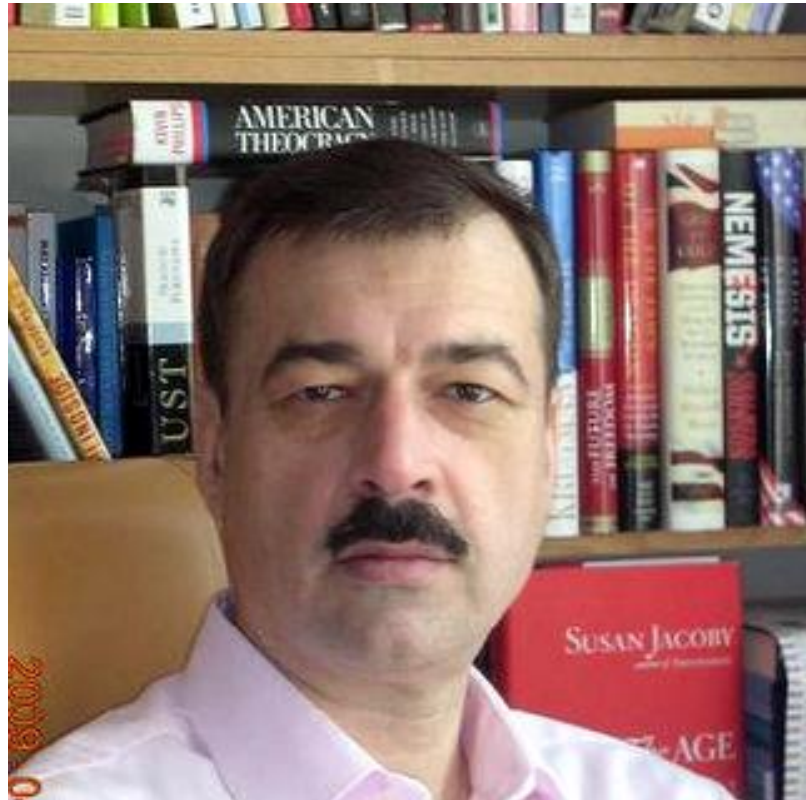


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# URI Distinguished Visiting International Scholar

**Dr. Oleksandr Kovriga**  
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**Opening Reception:**  
Tuesday, April 26, 4:30 PM  
The University Club



**Popular Lecture:**  
“From *Universitas* to Noösphere:  
How to Educate to Save the Planet”  
Wednesday, April 27, 4 PM  
Lippitt Hall Auditorium 402

**Professional Lecture:**  
“20 Years Later:  
Some Reflections on the Nature of  
our New *post-Soviet Union*.”  
Thursday, April 28, 12:30 PM  
Lippitt Hall 401



**All events are free and open to the public**

Dr. Oleksandr Kovriga is Lead Scholar at V.N. Karazin National University in Kharkiv and co-editor of the academic journal *Social Economics*. His career has combined teaching appointments in public administration and management with three years on the staff of former the president of Ukraine Viktor Yushchenko, as senior policy advisor for education and the humanities.

His academic background includes executive training at the Institute d'Administration des Entreprises, Université de Droit, d'Economie et des Sciences d'Aix-Marseille III (France), the European Foundation for Management Development in Brussels (Belgium), and the Lancaster University Management School (United Kingdom). In 1999-2000 he was Senior Fulbright Fellow at the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley, where he took part in a year-long doctoral seminar conducted by Nobel Laureate in Economics, Oliver E. Williamson.

Many analysts consider Ukraine vital to the future of European democracy. Dr. Kovriga has observed the transformation of Ukrainian society from the unique vantage point of the presidential administration. His views on Ukraine's recent re-orientation toward Russia and on the importance of building new global ecosystems of knowledge will be of particular interest to students in the humanities and social sciences.

For directions visit: <http://www.uri.edu/artsci/cfh/index.html>. Please address questions to Prof. Nicolai N. Petro at 401-874-2290.

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