

UKRAINE

Russian Ties

Constituent Republic of USSR until 1991
Civil rights violations under Russian rule
(starvation, nuclear, exile)
History of territorial disputes and exchange
Ukraine vital supplier and intermediary for Russia

Energy Reform and Independence

Economic ties implicated in invasion
Interest in renewable energy trending upwards
Some basis in renewable already established
Shifting to European gas providers

Citizen Sovereignty

Improve trust in state institutions/programs
Historical activism and advocacy
Benefits to communities
Provide reliable resources for the future
Direct involvement in economy and energy reform
Direct involvement with Ukraine and US representatives
Encourage beneficial nationalism

Energy Dependence

Natural gas and oil reliance
Concessions to maintain economic benefit to Ukraine
10-year supply and transit contract

Trend of Westernization

Moving away from Russian influence
Member of many Western Europe international institutions
US budgetary support for Ukraine
Some investment interest already established
Looking to expand into European energy markets

Stronger Western Ties

Western Investment and Energy Market
Further support from US
Movement away from Russian resources

Russian Invasion

Ongoing conflict encouraging separatism
Threat to national sovereignty
Solar and Wind Farms in invaded territories
Shortages and rolling blackouts