



# Kyivstar Subsidiary Uklon Launches Visa Acceptance Platform, Strengthening Digital Payments Infrastructure in Ukraine

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## Enables faster rollout of new features and a more seamless experience for millions of users

KYIV, Ukraine and NEW YORK, July 01, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kyivstar Group Ltd. ("Kyivstar") (Nasdaq: KYIV; KYIVW), the parent company of JSC Kyivstar, Ukraine's leading digital operator and part of VEON Group (Nasdaq: VEON), today announced in partnership with Visa, a world leader in digital payments, that Uklon, Ukraine's leading ride-hailing service and part of Kyivstar's digital ecosystem, has integrated the Visa Acceptance Platform into its application.

The launch of the new platform will strengthen Uklon's payment infrastructure in Ukraine and deliver a faster, more seamless payment experience for millions of riders. The platform has already successfully launched in the Uklon app, enabling seamless in-app transactions, instant refunds, and transaction cancellations.

"Integrating the Visa Acceptance Platform represents a significant step forward in modernizing Uklon's payment capabilities," **said Mykola Solomiichuk, Chief Financial Officer of Uklon.** "This partnership enables us to deliver the fast, reliable payment experience our users expect while further establishing our robust, resilient and secure digital mobility ecosystem serving millions across Ukraine."

**Kyivstar President Oleksandr Komarov stated,** "Strengthening digital payment infrastructure is essential to advancing Ukraine's digital economy and expanding access to innovative services. Uklon's integration with the Visa Acceptance Platform demonstrates our commitment to leveraging technology partnerships that enhance the user experience, drive growth across our digital ecosystem, and reinforce Ukraine's position as a hub for digital innovation."

"Visa Acceptance Platform aims to provide our partners around the globe with resilient, robust, and secure architecture that fuels innovation and growth," **said Tetiana Chorna, Visa Vice President, Country Manager for Ukraine.** "We are pleased to support Uklon in the expansion of its digital mobility services by offering solutions that streamline payments for millions of riders across Ukraine."

The integration builds on Uklon's ongoing transformation into a comprehensive urban mobility and digital services ecosystem, which today spans ride-hailing, delivery, advertising, and intercity travel. Strengthening Uklon's payments infrastructure is expected to support continued growth across Kyivstar's digital service offerings and reinforce payments as a key driver of user engagement.

The collaboration underscores Visa's ongoing commitment to enabling secure, fast, and innovative digital payments while supporting the growth of smart mobility in Ukraine.

### About Uklon

Uklon is a technology company that developed the eponymous mobile application. Founded in Kyiv in 2010, Uklon started as a ride-hailing platform and has evolved into a multi-service digital ecosystem integrating ride-hailing, Uklon Delivery, Uklon Ads, and the Uklon Travel bus ticket booking service. As of June 2026, the Uklon service is available in 27 cities across Ukraine and at the Bukovel tourist complex. The company also operates in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

In April 2025, Uklon was acquired by JSC Kyivstar, a wholly owned subsidiary of Kyivstar Group Ltd. (Nasdaq: KYIV; KYIVW), whose shares are traded on the U.S. stock exchange Nasdaq and which is a part of the VEON Group.

Official website: <https://uklon.com.ua>

### About Kyivstar Group Ltd.

Kyivstar Group Ltd. ("Kyivstar") is a Nasdaq-listed holding company that operates JSC Kyivstar, Ukraine's leading digital operator and the first Ukrainian company to list on a U.S. stock exchange. Kyivstar's companies provide a broad range of connectivity and digital services, including mobile and fixed-line voice and data, ride-hailing, e-health, digital TV, and enterprise solutions such as Big Data, cloud, and cybersecurity.

For more information, please visit <https://investors.kyivstar.ua>.

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### About Visa

Visa (NYSE: V) is a world leader in digital payments, facilitating transactions between consumers, merchants, financial institutions

and government entities across more than 200 countries and territories. Our mission is to connect the world through the most innovative, convenient, reliable and secure payments network, enabling individuals, businesses and economies to thrive. We believe that economies that include everyone everywhere, uplift everyone everywhere and see access as foundational to the future of money movement. Learn more at [visa.com.ua](https://visa.com.ua).

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