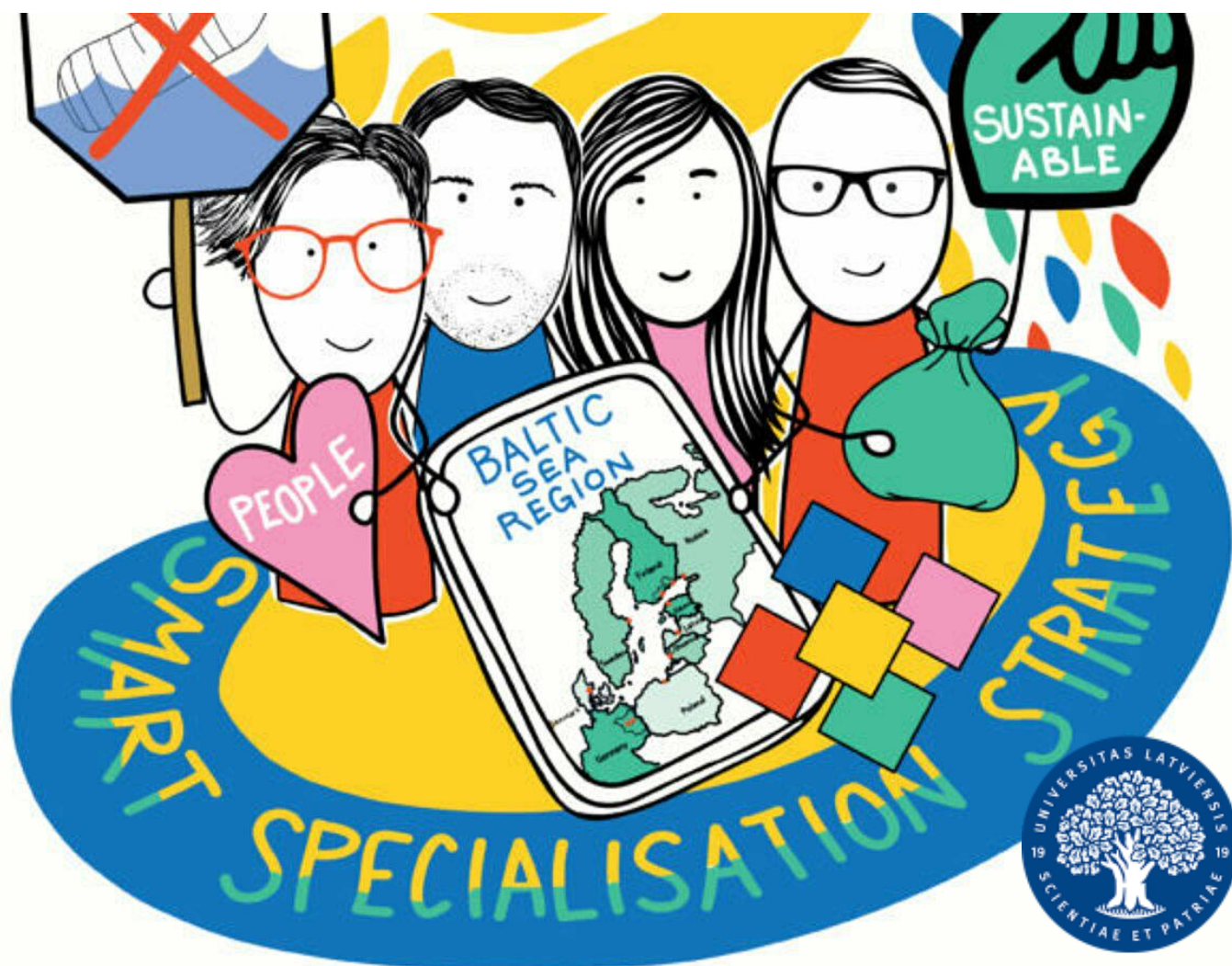


BSRUN Members' News

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BELARUS STATE ECONOMIC UNIVERSITY

Forum “Dialogue without ties” was held at BSEU

On 24 September, a forum of teachers and students of the Institute of Social and Humanitarian Education of Belarusian State Economic University “Dialogue without ties” took place. The main goal of the forum is to create a platform for informal discussion about the life of the Institute and student initiatives. Over 30 students of all fields of study of the Institute, alumni and teachers attended the event.

Source: <http://bseu.by/russian/news/202009280.htm>

BELARUSIAN STATE PEDAGOGICAL UNIVERSITY NAMED AFTER MAXIM TANK

Master classes prepared by participants of the competition “Teacher of the Year of the Republic of Belarus” were held at BSPU

On 24-25 September 2020, BSPU became a platform for holding master classes of participants of the republican competition of professional skills “Teacher of the Year of the Republic of Belarus”. This year, more than 800 students of BSPU took part in various master classes. They were conducted by 47 best teachers from all regions of the country.

The competition “Teacher of the Year of the Republic of Belarus” is announced by the Ministry of Education and is held every three years. The name of the best teacher in Belarus will be announced on the eve of professional holiday – Teacher’s Day.

Source: <https://bspu.by/news/universitet/v-bgpu-proshli-master-klassy-uchastnikov-konkursa-uchitel-goda-respubliki-belarus>

BELARUSIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

The electronic library of BSU has retained the status of the first in Europe

In September edition of the international ranking “Transparent Ranking: Institutional Repositories by Google Scholar” the Electronic Library of BSU closes the top three among world leaders among university digital storages (1st place – Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, 2nd place – the University of Kyoto, Japan). The gap with the second place was about a thousand digitized documents. In the overall ranking, BSU Electronic Library has risen from 12th to 9th place. High results were achieved owing to regular work on the digitisation of documents indexed by Google Scholar.

Source: <https://bsu.by/news/elektronnaya-biblioteka-bgu-sokhranila-status-pervoy-v-evrope-i-stabilno-vkhodit-v-troyku-mirovykh-l-d/>

FRANCISK SKORINA GOMEL STATE UNIVERSITY

Participation in the webinar in the framework of UniLab project “From University to Labour market in the 21st Century: a step forward in work-based placements”

On 22-2 September, GSU staff and students participated in a webinar held in the framework of UniLab project. The event was organised by the University of Pompeu Fabra (Spain) under the auspices of Erasmus+ programme of the European Commission. Foreign colleagues shared their experience of organising and operating university career services, revealed the role and importance of public facilitators and employers. As part of the webinar, expert proposals for improving internship programmes for students in the context of developing special competencies of graduates in accordance with modern labor market requirements were also considered.

NB: The UniLab project was launched in January 2020. The project is being implemented by a consortium of universities in Belarus, Spain, Austria, France, Russia and Azerbaijan.

Source: <http://www.gsu.by/ru/node/3644>

YANKA KUPALA STATE UNIVERSITY OF GRODNO

Actual ecological problems and options for their solution were discussed at Yanka Kupala State University

The XV International Scientific and Practical Conference “Actual Problems of Ecology 2020” was held at Kupala University on 22-24 September. The conference is held annually at the initiative of the Faculty of

Biology and Ecology. This year it is dedicated to the topics of sustainable use and protection of flora and fauna, ecological biochemistry, physiology and medicine, food technologies in the context of sustainable development. 110 reports were presented for participation in the Conference. Within the framework of the conference, visits to Grodno schools were also organised in order to encourage environmental education and prepare potential university applicants.

Source: <https://www.grsu.by/component/k2/item/34904-aktualnye-problemy-ekologii-i-varianty-ikh-resheniya-obsuzhdayut-v-grgu-imeni-yanki-kupaly.html>

UNIVERSITY OF TURKU

A series of webinars of the Faculty of Education will start in October with the topic of distant learning

A series of webinars will be held at the University of Turku. The ensemble of three online events will provide up-to-date information and experiences in the field of education. Participants will discuss the views of teachers and students on distant learning including exceptional circumstances. The events are aimed at alumni and anyone interested in the activities and topics of the faculty.

Source: <https://www.utu.fi/fi/ajankohtaista/uutinen/kasvatustieteiden-tiedekunnan-webinaarisarja-kaynnistyy-lokakuussa-etaopetus>

RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

RTU Olaine College of Technology modernises study rooms and laboratories

RTU Olaine College of Technology has improved the learning environment, offering students wider opportunities to acquire the skills and abilities vital to the labor market in modernly equipped laboratories and study rooms. From this academic year, college students can get education in eleven modern and up-to-date laboratories. By implementing two projects co-financed by the EU structural funds, RTU Olaine College of Technology has increased the energy efficiency of buildings – an insulated study building and two service hotels – and carried out significant reconstruction, renovation and improvement of premises. A total of 5.38 million euros has been invested in construction, purchase of equipment and facilities.

Source: <https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-olaines-tehnologiju-koledza-modernize-macibu-telpas-un-laboratorijas>

UNIVERSITY OF LATVIA

Online conference on smart specialisation issues in the Baltic Sea region was held at the UL

International conference “Smart Specialisation for Economic Transformation and SDGs Implementation – Paving the Pathways for a Sustainable Future in the Baltic Sea Region” took place on 28 September. The conference is the final activity of the project “Smart-up Baltic Sea Region”, which is part of the INTERREG transnational cooperation programme for the Baltic Sea region. The conference brought together experts from the European Union and the Baltic Sea region. The conference focused on the use of smart specialisation and science, technology and innovation to achieve SDGs, to respond to development challenges and to promote post-crisis recovery in a sustainable and knowledge-based way.

Source: <https://www.ozolzile.lu.lv/par-mums/zinas/zina/t/61155/>

GDANSK UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

A modern metrology laboratory will be established at GUT

One of the most modern metrology laboratories in northern Poland will be established at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering of Gdansk University of Technology. This is the result of cooperation agreement between the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Mitutoyo Polska, which begins joint activities for the use of advanced measuring equipment and software as part of broadly understood didactics and conducting scientific and research works. On 24 September, the contract was officially signed, owing to which the university will receive the latest generation equipment, worth over PLN 1.2 million.

Source: <https://pg.edu.pl/aktualnosci/2020-09/na-pg-powstaje-nowoczesne-laboratorium-metrologiczne>

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF GDANSK

Orientation Week 2020

Over 250 new students from all over the world take part in the international Orientation Week at MUG. From 24 to 30 September, first-year students will participate in series of meetings aimed at introducing the specificity and quality of studying at the University and helping them acclimatise to a new country and city. This year the action is entirely online. All meetings and seminars are available for students on the streaming platform. Every day participants can “meet” their colleagues and representatives of student organisations and obtain useful information on transport, health insurance or documents required in Poland. They can also take advantage of the new form of virtual tours around MUG facilities. The programme also included short Polish language classes.

Source: <https://gumed.edu.pl/61718.html>

UNIVERSITY OF BIAŁYSTOK

University available to everyone – funds from NCBiR

The University of Białystok will receive nearly PLN 4 million to increase its accessibility for people with disabilities. The university obtained these funds in the competition “Accessible University II” organised by the National Center for Research and Development.

The project “Modern University available to everyone” will be implemented from November 2020 to September 2023. It will include concept activities, increasing the competences of UB staff and investments in infrastructure.

Source: <https://uwb.edu.pl/nawosci/aktualnosci/universytet-dostepny-dla-wszystkich-dzieki-srodkom-z-ncbir/88b4c541>

UNIVERSITY OF ŁÓDŹ

The University of Lodz will reduce the carbon footprint under Erasmus+ programme

On the occasion of sustainable transport week, the University of Lodz has become a partner in a consortium implementing a project financed by the Erasmus+ programme. Erasmus Goes Green (EGG) is a project that aims to reduce the carbon footprint of students’ foreign trips. The project will estimate the scale of the

mobility carbon footprint of the Erasmus programme with a forecast for the coming years, and will develop tools to increase the environmental awareness of students and university staff (including a digital tool to visualise the impact of their transport choices on the environment). Incentives will be developed to encourage students to choose greener means of transport. Recommendations for policy makers in the area of CO2 emission sustainability, aimed at achieving EU environmental and climate goals will be made.

Source: <https://www.uni.lodz.pl/aktualnosc/szczegoly/uniwersytet-lodzki-pomoze-ograniczyc-slady-weglowy-programu-erasmus>

UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

Meeting of the KRUP University Science Commission

On 25 September, at the University of Warsaw, a meeting of the University Science Commission of the Conference of Rectors of Polish Universities (KRUP) was held, during which issues related to the development of the research potential of Polish universities were discussed. The meeting was attended by, among others: prof. **Alojzy Z. Nowak**, Rector of the University of Warsaw, prof. **Zygmunt Lalak**, vice-rector for research at the University of Warsaw and vice-rectors of Polish universities responsible for scientific matters. During the meeting, the topic of the next parameterisation of the university and issues related to the launch of new financing paths were discussed among others. The classification of domestic universities in international rankings was also discussed.

Source: <https://www.uw.edu.pl/spotkanie-universyteckiej-komisji-nauki-krup/>

IMMANUEL KANT BALTIC FEDERAL UNIVERSITY

IKBFU will start teaching Korean

During the meeting with the delegation of the Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in St. Petersburg, IKBFU Rector Alexandr Fedorov announced that it is planned to open a large centre for intercultural communication with the countries of the Asia-Pacific region and include the Korean language in the educational programme in the next year. The Rector also expressed a desire to expand educational and scientific contacts with universities in South Korea.

Source: <https://www.kantiana.ru/news/universitet/v-bfu-im-i-kanta-nachnut-prepodavat-koreyskiy-yazyk/>

PSKOV STATE UNIVERSITY

Pskov State University signed cooperation agreements with leading universities in Vitebsk (Belarus)

PskovSU delegation visited the leading educational institutions of Vitebsk. A memorandum of cooperation in the field of internationalisation of medical education was signed with Vitebsk State Order of Friendship of Peoples Medical University. The parties discussed the joint participation of teachers and students in international programmes and projects in the field of medical education, partnership in the implementation of educational programmes, creation of mirror laboratories for molecular and IT medicine, academic mobility. An agreement on scientific and educational cooperation was signed with Vitebsk State Technological University. It involves joint research, educational and creative activities. Agreements with Vitebsk State University were reached on the development of cooperation in the field of history education.

Source: <https://pskgu.ru/page/a0be33d0-3fe5-4ef9-bf78-642b2c9c26cc>

ST. PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS

VII Forum of the Regions of Belarus and Russia

On 28 September, the VII Forum of the Regions of Belarus and Russia was opened in the format of a videoconference. The forum was organised by the Standing Committee of the Union State, the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly of Russia, the Council of the Republic of the National Assembly of Belarus, the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, Association for Foreign Policy Studies, Integration Club under the Chairman of the Federation Council.

The participants, including leading universities, scientific and public organisations, the largest enterprises and government bodies of both countries, discussed topical problems of the modern development of Russia and Belarus. Rector Igor Maksimtsev at a high-level expert session gave speech on “The problem of personnel training for Eurasian economic integration”, where he highlighted the role of economic universities as system accelerators-integrators, as well as proposed a project for the development of consortia for export acceleration of innovative developments of industrial enterprises and research institutes.

Source: <https://unecon.ru/info/vii-forum-regionov-belarusi-i-rossii>

THE NORTH-WEST INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT OF THE RUSSIAN PRESIDENTIAL ACADEMY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The session of the RAISE Accelerator of the 2020/2021 season has ended

On 23 September, the first educational session of the ninth season of the All-Russian accelerator of social initiatives RAISE was held online and brought together students and teachers from more than 50 universities from 34 regions of Russia. The RAISE Accelerator is an educational programme with a competitive component aimed at supporting youth student initiatives in the field of solving social problems and developing civil society, as well as developing project and entrepreneurial competencies and skills in the field of social entrepreneurship. RANEPa organises the Accelerator with the support of the Agency for Strategic Initiatives.

Source: <https://www.ranepa.ru/sobytiya/novosti/zavershilas-sessiya-akseleratora-raise-sezona-2020-2021/>

YAROSLAV-THE-WISE NOVGOROD STATE UNIVERSITY

Completion of courses 50+

Refresher courses for citizens over 50 years old were completed with a demonstration exam. The courses were held on the following competencies: “Development of virtual and augmented reality”, “Vehicle repair”, “Web design and development”, “Operation of unmanned aircraft systems”. Participants got new skills and were excited about their new possibilities.

Source:

<https://www.novsu.ru/news/r.121596.0.2.returnUri.L25ld3MvaS4xMiE1OTYv/i.121596/?view=90535>