#### **BSRUN Members' News. 24-30 November**

#### **Riga Technical University**

RTU is the only Latvian university to be among the top 40 higher education institutions in the international ranking «World's Universities with Real Impact» (WURI), where the capacity of higher education institutions in promoting entrepreneurship and developing business environment is assessed. RTU is ranked 36th, and this is the best result not only in Latvia, but also in the Baltics. https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-vieniga-no-latvijas-ieklust-reitinga-kura-novertets-universitates-ieguldijums-uznemejspeju-veicinasana

## **Gdansk University of Technology**

Young scientists will receive almost PLN 5 million as part of the first edition of the ARGENTUM programme. The granted funds will make it possible to carry out a comprehensive research process and disseminate research results, including the purchase of research equipment, materials, small equipment and coverage of the costs of publishing the results.

https://pg.edu.pl/aktualnosci/2020-11/niemal-5-mln-zl-dla-mlodych-naukowcow-w-i-edycji-programu-argentum

A mobile ID card, which every student will be able to have on the smartphone, has recently been implemented at GUT. It has the same legal status as its traditional version. A corresponding agreement was signed between GUT and the Ministry of Digitisation.

https://pg.edu.pl/aktualnosci/2020-11/studencka-legitymacja-w-telefonie-juz-mozliwe

# **Medical University of Gdansk**

MUG scientists are among the winners of the competitions OPUS 19 and PRELUDIUM 19 of the National Science Centre. The total amount of funding granted to MUG is PLN 13 998 484 for the implementation of 11 research projects.

https://gumed.edu.pl/62440.html

# **University of Lodz**

UL researchers will receive over PLN 487 million for implementation of 14 projects according to the results of OPUS and PRELUDIUM competitions. The biggest part of grants was awarded to the faculties of Biology and Environmental Protection and International and Political Studies. <a href="https://www.uni.lodz.pl/aktualnosc/szczegoly/naukowcy-ul-z-grantami-opus-19-i-preludium-19">https://www.uni.lodz.pl/aktualnosc/szczegoly/naukowcy-ul-z-grantami-opus-19-i-preludium-19</a>

## Yaroslav-The-Wise Novgorod State University

International virtual teams completed an international online course on cross-cultural business communication implemented by three universities - NovSU, Appalachian State University (USA), and the University of the Free State (South Africa). The results of participants' research of cultures were presented in the format of a consultation - a simulation of the following situation: members of the project teams (Italy, Chile and Japan) acted as consultants in cross-cultural communication, and the rest of participants, teachers and guests played the roles of people planning to cooperate with representatives of the target culture. The consultants taught their "clients" what they needed to know about the culture in order to build effective partnership relations and avoid cultural mistakes. A retraining course «Using the Principles of Instructional Design in Creating an E-course» was announced.

https://www.novsu.ru/news/90959/