

BSRUN Members' News. 13 Oct - 1 Nov 2021

Yanka Kupala State University of Grodno

A working meeting on the implementation of the project "Modernization of higher education in the Republic of Belarus" was held at Yanka Kupala State University of Grodno. Within the framework of the project, five new educational and scientific laboratories will be created at the university.
<https://www.grsu.by/component/k2/item/39547-v-grgu-imeni-yanki-kupaly-proshlo-rabochee-soveshchanie-po-voprosam-realizatsii-proekta-modernizatsiya-vysshego-obrazovaniya-respubliki-belarus.html>

University of Latvia

LU took the 137th place in the overall ranking according to THE Emerging Economies University Rankings 2022. In total, 698 universities from 60 countries were assessed this time.
<https://www.lu.lv/en/about-us/ul-media/news/single/t/68531/>

Gdansk University of Technology

The STOS Competence Centre (Smart and Transdisciplinary knOwledge Services) is being built at GUT. It will be one of the most modern IT centres in this part of Europe. It will include the so-called "Bunker", i.e. a place with one of the fastest supercomputers in Poland, enabling the collection, processing and archiving of huge data sets and performing complex simulations in scientific research. The centre is to be ready in the middle of the next year. Its cost, including the equipment, is about PLN 200 million.
<https://pg.edu.pl/aktualnosci/2021-10/wiecha-na-budowie-centrum-kompetencji-stos-politechniki-gdanskiej>

University of Lodz

Almost 800 students from 41 countries started their studies at the University of Lodz. #UniversityDiversity project is one of elements of the university's success. More about internalisation at UL and university's achievements:
<https://www.uni.lodz.pl/aktualnosc/szczegoly/bwz-ul-umiedzynarodowienie-jest-wciaz-nasza-pasja>

University of Warsaw

UW is the first university in Poland to join the "Race to Zero" initiative supported by the United Nations. The entities involved in the campaign declare that they will take immediate action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by half by 2030.
<https://www.uw.edu.pl/uw-sygnatariuszem-race-to-zero/>

Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University

Chairman of the Government of Russia Mikhail Mishustin and Minister of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation Valery Falkov payed a visit to IKBFU on 21 October. Rector Alexander Fedorov presented to the guests the concept of the university development for the next few years including five strategic projects. The future IKBFU "neocampus" will help to bring projects to life. The world-class neocampus, which will be located in Kaliningrad, will become a territory with everything for a comfortable life and study: spaces for science and education, hostels, sport facilities, a park, cafes, shops, parking, etc.
<https://www.kantiana.ru/news/premer-ministr-rossii-mihail-mishustin-o-neo-kampuse-bfu-im-i-kanta-potrjasajushhe-takoj-gorod-v-gorode/>

V International Conference "Baltic Region - Region of Cooperation" was held on 21-22 October at IKBFU. Experts presented 40 reports dedicated to

the problems of cross-border cooperation, sustainable development and rational environmental management in the Baltic region, the study of migration and innovation processes in the border regions, the geography of the Kaliningrad region.

<https://www.kantiana.ru/news/rezultaty-v-mezhdunarodnoy-konferentsii-baltiyskiy-region-region-sotrudnichestva/>

St. Petersburg Electrotechnical University

Ways of integration of a university into the urban environment were discussed at LETI University on 13 October within the framework of the "Big City University" event. International education experts, urbanists and architects shared the best practices and trends in campus renovation.

<https://etu.ru/en/university/news/intelligent-development-how-to-integrate-a-university-into-the-urban-environment>

LETI announced the winners of the "LETI: Future Academic Spaces" contest for young architects, whose projects will make an update for the university's locations.

<https://etu.ru/en/university/news/leti-has-chosen-best-projects-for-transforming-its-university-spaces>