



The BUP weekly

Week 47, 2021



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Dear BUP colleagues,

This week is really special from a BUP perspective, as there are several meetings taking place - in real life! PhD students from all over the region are training in Lodz, Poland. They have lectures, workshops, present their PhD work, and get individual consultations on this work from international experts. In Uppsala, we are hosting the final meeting of the project BSRCCC. Things are coming together as the project comes to an end at the end of the year. The experts and teachers involved in this project are really working hard to put together educational material on climate change in the Baltic Sea region.

The coming weekend means celebrating Advent for many of you, the arrival of Christmas. We hope this means a small pause and a nice time together with friends and family for you.

Kind regards,

The Baltic University Programme's coordinating secretariat

BUP in social media



BUP secretariat news

Space Bridges 2.0:

Green spaces in times of an increasing urbanization: On the challenges of making sustainable cities

When: 2 December 2021, 14.00-16.00 (CET)

In this session of the seminar series "Space Bridges 2.0" our focus will be on green spaces in times of an increasing urbanization. It discusses the challenges of making cities more sustainable from a planning and governance perspective. It represents the Estonian contribution to our series, and hosted by Tallinn University.



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[Register for the Estonian Space Bridge](#)

ESD & DIGITALIZATION

Implications of Digital Technology for Education Policy and Practice



14 December 2021
Shafiqul Haque, PhD, Specialist in the field of education of **UNESCO** - **United Nations** Institute of Educational Sciences, **Education Development**, **Open Access** Journals
Title: **Smart Phones, Gorillas and Armed Conflicts**

Webinar series on Education for Sustainable Development

Webinar on ESD & digitalisation:

Smart Phones, Gorillas and Armed Conflicts

When: 14 December, 14–15 CET.

About the webinar: What is the hidden cost of your high-tech equipment, such as smartphones? As demand for smart gadgets continues to rise, mining for smart phone minerals and their illegal trade are also rising. These are often controlled by armed groups helping to feed a vicious circle of conflicts, poverty and disease. Our discussion will question how the use of your mobile gadgets affect communities around the world and what you can do about it.

[Register for the webinar](#)

New BUP initiative: Supervisor Collegium

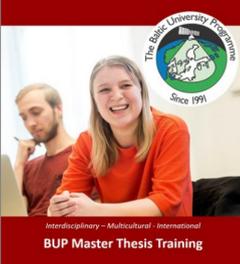
The BUP is pleased to announce the new initiative Supervisor Collegium for both Master's and PhD students. The collegium consists of a group of colleagues who take on an additional role as a supervisor for students writing a thesis. Working in this manner has been a key ethos of the BUP since its foundation. It is of benefit both for students and their supervisors. Bringing together the knowledge of colleagues from different countries and disciplines to create successful outcomes and research.

If this sounds like an interesting opportunity for you, please email emma.stockvall@balticuniv.uu.se for more information.

Thanks to all who have joined already!



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First call for BUP Master Thesis Training

The BUP Master Thesis Training is a new concept, aimed to give master students an opportunity to get supervision from a senior from another BUP Participating University. Moreover, it will provide an opportunity to get feedback from other students in the region, build connections with other students, and become better acquainted with other academic perspectives in an interdisciplinary and intercultural environment. This training offers an interdisciplinary learning experience, with sustainability as a shared concept.

Application deadline is 15 December 2021

[The Master Thesis Training on the BUP web page](#)

BUP Student survey

As part of their activities, the BUP Student Ambassadors have designed a survey which looks to learn about and gather information on students' experiences and values in regards to the concept of sustainability. Students are becoming increasingly active in the field of sustainability and the BUP network is pioneering regional cooperation. This survey will help them investigate perceptions and education in our region. Please consider forwarding the survey to your student to fill out. It is now available in a number of languages. We hope for a fruitful response.

[Slovak survey](#)

[Ukrainian survey](#)

[Polish survey](#)

Call for papers

Related to the BUP Symposium 2021, there are two possibilities for publication, which are also open for researchers not being able to attend the BUP Symposium:

1. "Challenges and Possibilities for Sustainable Development in a Baltic Sea Region context – 2021", a special issue hosted by the BUP in cooperation with the scientific journal *Sustainability*. Welcome to contribute with your full paper. The general detailed info about the special issue can be accessed with this link: [Detailed information about the special issue on the Sustainability web page](#).
2. "Towards a Sustainable Baltic Sea Region", a book published by Springer. Expressions of interest, consisting of a 200 words abstract with all contact data from the authors, should be sent to: [SDG-Publications <SDG-Publications@haw-hamburg.de>](mailto:SDG-Publications@haw-hamburg.de). The deadline for abstracts is 30 October 2021. Full papers are due by 30 January 2022. Further details will be shared with the selected authors.

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