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Celebration of The Baltic University Programme 30 years

As the previous Strategy 2017-2020 was about to come to an end, reporting and reflecting as well as the planning for a new period 2021-2025 was starting before the new year. After Christmas holidays, back to work, the BUP coordinating secretariat started to work out from the new Action Plan for 2021. We had a flying start, in January we launched three brand new programs and projects! And we started the Celebration of the BUP 30 th anniversary. In January we also arranged the first “space bridge” event to commemorate the space bridges used in the childhood of the BUP from 1991, to interconnect university teachers, researchers, and students in the Baltic Sea Region. This modern type of space bridge is an updated version consisting of a chain of on-line seminars that will be running during 2021 and being hosted by one of the BUP National Centres.



The concept of Space Bridges, was an early form of telecommunication between two geographic location, that was implemented between the USA and Soviet Union in the early 1980's. It reminds much of today's video conference, with the different being that we today use the internet. The BUP implemented the technology between 1990-1995, when a series of online lectures and seminars were held between different locations in the region. These Space Bridges was one of the main activities in the BUP's early history and inspired our logo, with the Space Bridge satellite shedding the light of knowledge over our region.

Since the start of the Programme we have worked to enhance strong regional academic communities, and to foster the knowledge of sustainable development in the Baltic Sea Region. Now 30 years later the world looks very different. We have been through a dramatic and revolutionary change and entered the age of communication. The new possibilities of seamless communication are crucial for international cooperation and building bridges. All participating universities of BUP are together a strong and needed force in the Baltic Sea region for the transition to a more sustainable region. This communication era has been developed even stronger with the covid-19 situation.

In general the BUP now strives to offer new courses and modules as well as new forms of teaching. The time has come to digitalise the BUP education. We have been especially reminded of the importance of making materials available in digital form by the current pandemic and managed to respond quickly. There are currently four joined projects running that focus on digitalisation, one of which, the E-Tutor project, brings students from BUP participating universities in and offers them both an opportunity to acquire a new skill set as well as generate extra income by working for BUP assisting in the digitalisation of the new course modules. We have now a first group of 18 E-tutors working with different tasks digitalising material at BUP participating universities.

There are also other major education projects running during 2021-2022. The Baltic Sea Region Climate Change Curriculum has as its goal to develop 15 modules for an inter- disciplinary course on climate change in a Baltic Sea Region context. This is possible through a cooperation between 30 researchers at BUP participating universities at 14 universities in ten countries. Out from this material a new course Climate Change in The Baltic Sea Region - An Inter disciplinary approach, a 10 credit distance course hosted by Uppsala University, will be offered fall 2021. Another planned outcome is the development of a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) focused on the same topics and targeted at professionals, i.e., university teachers. Other work in progress is the project Digital at home that will result in course modules in

in course modules in the area of social science and humanity the “Peoples’ of the Baltic”, and as well the ongoing work at Participating universities in Germany working with five different modules covering both nature and social science related to sustainable development in the BSR. Another project, already underway is, Implementing Sustainability at Universities. It includes a webinar series, reaching out to participating universities by conducting a survey investigating the status at their university. The aim is to support universities adopt sustainable practices in the areas of teaching, research, and campus management. As an outcome of the BUP Symposium 2020, the BUP entered into a cooperation with the scientific journals Sustainability, and the journal Baltic Region. These special issues are now about to close, with in total about 200 researchers from BUP participating universities contributing with their scientific papers. At the same time, we have now opened submission of abstracts for this year’s BUP Symposium 2021. Welcome to contribute and please spread the word!



The banner features a dark red header, a background image of sunflowers, and a light green section containing the BUP logo, the dates '19-20 October 2021', the title 'BUP Symposium 2021: Research and Innovation for a Sustainable Baltic Sea Region', the website 'www.balticuniv.uu.se', the hashtag '#bupsymposium2021', and a QR code.

Since the interest of colleagues was strong, we will continue to offer Special Issues in scientific journals, to support researchers at participating universities to have their research findings published.

I am convinced, that by now entering a new period 2021-2025 - full of Energy and Engagement - The BUP is ready for the Future! The new launched Student Ambassadors program has come with 27 new motivated students representing BUP and their university, assisting in marketing BUP, communicate activities and assist in different tasks at the National Centres and BUP secretariats. The Goal is to have at least one Student Ambassador at each of the current 93 Participating Universities. It would not surprise me, that will be the case in short time.

As a result of passion for internationalisation and regional co-operations, teaching, research and a hard work of hundreds of enthusiastic colleagues from the Participating Universities and its administrative and strategy-shaping bodies, the BUP is in good hands. Together we learn from each other by Communicating, Cooperating and Contributing to the Programme with the aim to support the development of the Baltic Sea Region.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Madeleine Granvik'.

Madeleine Granvik
Director, Associate Professor

Welcome to the BUP Symposium 2021

The aim

The aim of the Symposium 2021 is to be a platform where the regional educational and research communities can get together and to get to know each other better as colleagues at Participating Universities of The Baltic University Programme. It is an opportunity to disseminate recent research and take part of new knowledge. The symposium is an arena where to start off discussions and collaborations. We are challenging researchers from different disciplines with an interest in the Baltic Sea Region as an empirical field to discuss Sustainable Development in the Baltic Sea Region. We especially welcome presentations of research having an inter-/multi-disciplinary approach.

Practicalities of the symposium

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this symposium cannot take place in real life. Instead, we will hold it as a virtual symposium. By doing so we can make it accessible to many more colleagues. To participate in the symposium, prior registration is required. Both as a listener, but also as a presenter. Key-note speakers and research presentations will be organized as webinars. The poster session will be published on our web site, and we will provide possibilities for social interaction.

Scientific committees will evaluate and consider submitted abstracts for oral presentations and posters, and will chose to bring forward the ones that meet the criteria.

Publishing opportunities

Published outcomes of the BUP symposium will be the following:

- Full papers in special issues in scientific journals with peer review,
- Book of Abstracts (a digital compilation of abstracts over presented research at the BUP Symposium 2021, that will reflect the abstracts from oral presentations held at the symposium and include contact information of the presenting person),
- videos of presentations, and
- scientific posters session.

In short

- 19-20 October 2021
- on-line
- theme sessions
- publishing opportunities
- no fee



The symposium web page. More information and link to submission of abstracts.



BUP project: Digital at home: new steps in internationalization of education

Text by: Lyudmyla Babak

In February, we launched the new project “Digital at Home: new steps in internationalization of education” by the kick-off meeting with the project partners. Indeed, internationalisation is one of the key priorities for many universities due to different reasons: for improving international cooperation, increasing international networking, improving graduates’ employability and even increasing ranking.

Two webinars have been organised and conducted within the project, and open for the whole network. The webinars raised the question of why internationalisation is important for students and academic staff, who should work with internationalisation, and how it should be done. Our colleagues working at the international offices suggested thinking about internationalisation not only in terms of mobility and exchange.

- Larysa Chovnyuk, National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, Ukraine
- Oksana Krayevska, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv, Ukraine
- Philipp Baur, Uppsala University, Sweden

They argued that internationalisation should rather be integrated: including an international, intercultural or global dimension into courses, degree programmes and education in general. They emphasised the importance of “Internationalization at Home” versus “abroad”, a fact that became evident due to limited mobility nowadays. The presenters shared their experiences of working with Virtual mobility, Virtual exchange, COIL as practical instruments of internationalisation.

As the project has several deliverables to achieve, two teams of the project partners have started joint work at developing materials within two thematic areas: Climate Change and Baltic Sea Regional Studies. The educational material, containing texts, presentations, videos etc, is planned to be structured in modules and available for all BUP members to use.

By the next step, the partners will be working jointly to implement virtual exchange components within their teaching. The project is in its initial phase so we are looking forward to the results and common achievements that we will be eager to report!

The partners will develop and apply a relevant methodology for internationalisation and virtualisation on the thematic areas Climate Change and Baltic Sea Regional Studies. The partners work in international groups and use existing, or develop new digitalised content for the courses. The courses are then to be integrated in existing syllabi at their respective university. Furthermore, a piloting of two semi-virtual course and virtual exchange will be done by the partners. The project will result in a guidebook for on-line internationalised teaching, which will be spread among BUP participating universities.



Kick-off session of the BUP Student Ambassador Programme

Text by: Mirjam Weituschat

During the Student Parliament session at the Student Conference in Estonia in 2019, the parliament forwarded an important motion to the International Board of the Baltic University Programme. The students agreed on the need of extending the reach of BUP events at their home universities. A new position within the BUP student organization shall be created: the BUP Student Ambassadors. The BUP International Board agreed and specified the main tasks of the ambassadors: to actively promote BUP and its events and to function as a contact person between the Coordinating Secretariat, the National Centers, and the Participating Universities. On top of that, the position is designed to be open and creative so that the ambassadors can set their individual focus.

After a test run in 2020, the Student Ambassador Programme was eventually kicked off in April 2021. All 18 Student Ambassadors from 11 universities were invited to an online meeting and workshop. The aim was to get to know each other and the BUP and to share ideas and experience. The group of students that made up a good mix of Bachelor, Master and PhD level, -students were highly motivated to get to work. The discussions involved Social Media accounts for each BUP country as well as strategy approaches of who to contact at their home universities to spread the news about the benefits of BUP and upcoming events. Additionally, first preparations were made to carry out a Clean Games tournament in some locations. This is a social event to enhance the awareness about waste issues which was first started by a BUP partner organization.

All in all, we had a good time together and set the seedlings for a fruitful cooperation. If you are interested whether your university has a Student Ambassador already, you can check out our website where all ambassadors are presented: <https://www.balticuniv.uu.se/contacts-and-network/students-representatives-and-ambassadors/>

BUP student ambassadors



The collage consists of portraits of the current BUP Student Ambassadors.

We are looking for passionate BUP students, that has taken part in a BUP event and would be interested in promoting the programme and our events at their home university. Other assignments could include assisting the local BUP staff. The idea is to create a network with engaged students, that can support the programme and recruit new students to courses, conferences and other academic events. In return, ambassadors will receive a travel grant to participate in a BUP activity.

Would like to be our ambassador? Do you know of any student that would be great as a BUP student ambassador? Contact the BUP Student representative for more information.

New German National Centre Director

At the beginning of 2021, The BUP German National Centre is under leadership of Centre Director Professor Dr.Ing. Jakob Hildebrandt. The centre is hosted by Hochschule Zittau/Görlitz in Zittau, Germany.

Jakob holds both academic merits and experience, and has experience in waste management from outside academia. His research areas include:

- Multi-criteria sustainability assessment of regional circular economy and bioeconomy strategies
- Further development of waste treatment plants to cycle-oriented biorefineries
- Conception and evaluation of innovative biomass use strategies and cascade use strategies (e.g. in the areas of biochar and whole plant use)
- Co-creative development, support and evaluation of company decarbonisation technologies and paths and communal climate protection strategies as well as technology coupling options between the public sector and companies
- Evaluation of cross-company by-product utilization options in the field of bioeconomy and bioenergy (industrial symbiosis)

Jakob is teaching in the fields of Environmental law, Production-integrated environmental protection (PIUS) and industrial ecology, Environment-oriented corporate management, Strategies for the energy transition (Energy Quest), and Life cycle assessment, energy and material flow analysis and software applications. We welcome Jakob Hildebrandt into the BUP and hope for much fruitful cooperation in the future.



New Centre Director in Germany, Jakob Hildebrandt. Photo by: hszg.de

**Germany holds the
BUP presidency
spring 2025**

National meetings

We have held meetings with contact persons at BUP Participating Universities. It has been organised by the BUP Coordinating Secretariat together with a National Center. The reason to hold these meetings, have been to better know each other and each others communication flows. This has been especially important as many of the contact persons were newly introduced to the BUP. We believe that for each university to get the most out of being a part of the BUP, it is important not only to receive information from us, but also to spread it further to the potentially interested recipients – students and academic staff. Therefore, it is crucial that the BUP Coordinating secretariat establish good communication. And we believe that we are on the way to do so! It was great to meet many of our colleagues in the region. Now we have faces behind the emails.

Participants also discussed the possibilities to foster cooperation between Coordinating Secretariat, the university hosting the National Centre, and other Participating Universities by having common undertakings like workshops or conferences. We also pointed out that Participating Universities are welcome to spread their information *relevant to the programme* in the BUP communication channels.

This was the first round of the meetings, organised country wise, by definitely not last. We are planning for regular information and communication meetings in the future. So see you soon!

Time for Reflection: Reunion Meeting for the BUP Teachers' Courses 2017-2020

Text and photos by: Cecilia Lundberg

The BUP Teachers' Course is a learning process where the focus is the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in the learning methods in Higher Education. The core of the courses has been the work called The Change Project. The projects aim to reshape a currently existing course or study program, towards the concepts of the Sustainable Development Goal #4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

The course is an example of blended learning. Some material and assignments have been individual on distance, and some as teamwork with the course mates. The course consisted of two workshops for two to three days, in the beginning and in the end of the course.

But what has happened after the end of the course? Which experiences and learning processes have the teachers met in reality when implementing the courses at their home universities?

The BUP Finland in cooperation with Shepherd Urenje from SWEDESD at Uppsala University wanted to offer an opportunity for earlier participants to reflect, share experiences and best practices. All the participants from the three BUP Teachers' Courses between 2017-2020, and the EduBalt and EduBUP courses were invited. The meeting was also a chance to meet both old friends and new colleagues.

We met online for two afternoons in the end of March. A longer time would have been demanding in front of a screen. On the other hand, more time could have been needed for the experience sharing. The Change Projects, as well as all other courses, have new challenges connected to the new normal due to the pandemic.

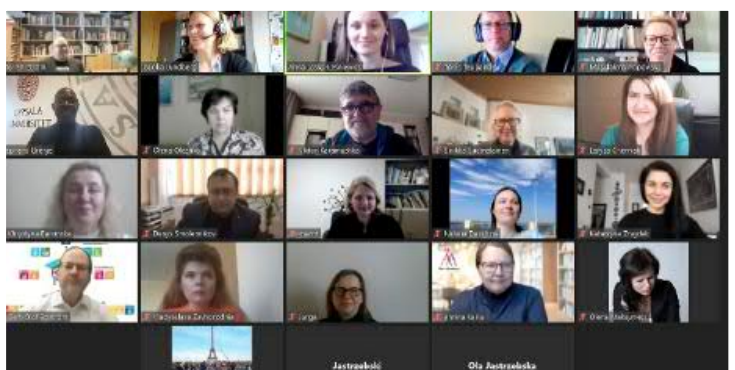
We were happy to hear about the progress and challenges from almost thirty Change Projects. We all got inspired to think and rethink by an easy but brilliant workshop by the DT4U, the Design Thinking Team at Lodz University of Technology, and a keynote about Popular Culture by Peter Ehrström from Åbo Akademi University.

We hope to continue the networking and discussions in the future. If anyone have suggestions and ideas, contact me!

The material from the Reunion Meeting is found on the website of BUP Finland: <https://bup.fi/reunion-of-the-bup-teachers-courses-2017-2020/> DT4U (<https://fi-fi.facebook.com/DT4U.LODZ/>)



Collage with photos from previous Teacher's courses events.



Screen-print from the Reunion Meeting.

Implementation of Sustainability at Universities

– a BUP Webinar Series on ESD

Text and photos by: Cecilia Lundberg

How to offer an arena in a simple form for new thoughts and ideas? How to think in respect of teaching, research and campus greening? Our answer was a webinar series on implementation of sustainability in a university environment. The main target group was teachers in higher education, especially within the BUP. However, the webinars were open for everyone interested.

The series was organized by the Associated secretariat BUP Finland at Åbo Akademi University in cooperation with SWEDES (The Swedish International Centre of Education for Sustainable Development) and the BUP Secretariat at Uppsala University. It consisted of four webinars, one per month between December 2020 and March 2021. Each one hour long. Almost 300 hundred persons registered per occasion, however actual participation varied from 70 to 120 persons. As all the presentations were recorded, they have also attracted attention afterwards. Until today, the videos on the BUP YouTube channel has 115-350 viewings. The feedback has also been very positive:

“Keep up with the good work. The close relationship to teaching is good.”

“I appreciate the recording and the possibility to revisit. There was a lot of information to digest.”

“The seminar contributes to broaden my knowledge of learning for sustainable development.”

“The webinar confirmed that we need more discussion and critical examination of our programs - these webinars are a good way to make more people aware of these discussions.”

“I got ideas for our own university sustainability strategy planning.”

A webinar session of one hour was optimal. The keynote of the day had about twenty minutes for the presentation, which was followed by a generous time slot to follow up with questions and comments.

The registrations showed an evenly spread interest in the whole BUP network. We also had participants from the rest of Europe and even on a global scale. This give us inspiration to continue with a new webinar series on ESD next autumn and winter. The combination of pedagogical approaches, higher education and learning for sustainability is something that engage.



Screen-print from Arjen Wals presentation.

The keynotes and titles were:

- Prof. **Arjen Wals**, Wageningen University, the Netherlands, "The Role of Universities in Co-creating Transitions Towards Sustainability"
- Dr **Shepherd Urenje**, Uppsala University, "Confronting Tensions and Paralysis in Implementing ESD to Higher Education"
- PhD, Lecturer **Ulrika Persson-Fischier**, Uppsala University, "Education as Driver for Sustainability Transformation of University and Society"
- Associate Prof. **David Kronlid**, Uppsala University, "Practical Ethical Reflection: A Research-Based Model for Value Education"

The webinar series was part of the programme of the Year of Research-Based Knowledge 2021 (<https://tutkittuetieto.fi/en/>), a national project in Finland to gather actions and events into a programme that gives a comprehensive view of research-based knowledge. All the four webinars are available here: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLSn3eJTX6cJ0kGRSJQ8vIjX9labGCeQW9>.

Space Bridges 2.0

Text by: Pontus Ambros

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These Space Bridges was one of the main activities in the BUP's early history and inspired our logo, with the Space Bridge satellite shedding the light of knowledge over our region. In 2021, we have revisited the concept by making a newer version of the same concept, naming it Space Bridges 2.0. Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the BUP, the Space Bridge 2.0 sessions, tour between each country in the region, where our local National Centres are host, compiling interesting programs with local and regional researchers.



Screen-print from the first Space Bridge 2.0 session.

So far, four sessions have taken place, targeting research of Baltic Sea Environment, Climate Change, Interdisciplinary sustainability solutions and university cooperation. In the upcoming months, we will visit our other Baltic Sea neighbours, shedding the light of knowledge on new interesting topics. Stay tuned and join us!

Past sessions

Hosting country	Hosting University	Topic	Date
Sweden	Södertörn University	30 years with the Baltic Sea Environment, what has happened and where are we heading?	28/1
Belarus	Belarusian State University	Climate change and water change in the Baltic Sea Region: Drivers and Perspectives	18/2
Russia	Kaliningrad State Technical University	Interdisciplinary solutions to sustainability issues in the Baltic Sea Region	18/3
Lithuania	Kaunas University of Technology	European Universities Initiative - The Future of European University Starts Today	15/4

Remember that you can watch all previous Space Bridges 2.0 as well as the original Space Bridges from the 1990s on [the BUP YouTube Channel!](#)

Upcoming sessions

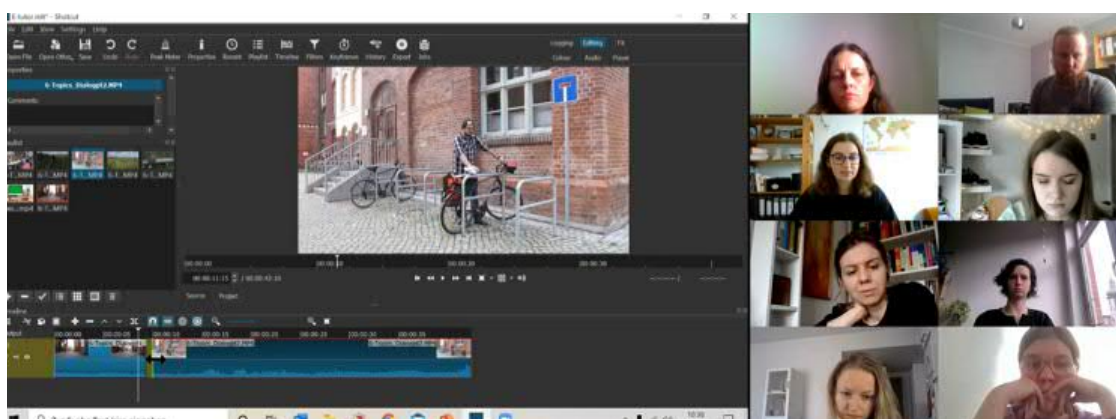
Hosting country	Hosting University	Topic	Date
Slovakia	Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra	Urban Agriculture in the Baltic Sea Region	20/5
Latvia	Riga Technical University	Moving Baltic Sea Region to carbon-neutral mobility – opportunities and challenges	4/6
Finland	Åbo Akademi University	Social Sustainability – What does it mean to you?	16/9
Germany	Hochschule Zittau / Görlitz	Rural bioeconomy and insetting strategies	21/10
Estonia	Tallinn University	Urban green spaces and citizen perspectives	4/11
Ukraine	Ivan Franko National University of L'viv	TBA.	18/11
Poland	Łodz Technical University	Democratic Development in the Baltic Sea Region	9/12

Digitalising the new Baltic University Programme's climate change course

Text and photos by: Pontus Ambros

Since late 2019, the BUP has been working on the development of a new online climate change course, specifically targeting the Baltic Sea Region. With that project approaching its completion later this year, we are preparing the publishing of the materials along with an online package of teaching tools. The course, which aims to serve as a basic, regional, interdisciplinary course on climate change, will be implemented at Uppsala University as of the autumn of 2021. Parts of the materials is to be piloted at universities around the region.

In the development of the course, the BUP has hired a group of engaged students, known as E-tutors assistants. Their task is to assist the researchers in creating an interactive online teaching material, containing short video lectures, exercises, discussion points, virtual teaching aids, among many other things. The E-tutors assistants were trained during a week's intensive course, hosted by Magdalena Kitzberger from University of Greifswald. In the next couple of months, the BUP E-tutors will be supporting the BUP in its strive to launch its first online courses and entering a new era of BUP education.



Screen-print from the online training of the E-tutors assistants.

New BUP Participating Universities

Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport

The mission of The Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport is to promote a broad understanding of sport. They want to develop the humanistic and natural sciences knowledge about health education, as well as about the humanistic idea sports universalism. They to transfer research results for the practice of physical culture and sports competition. Students have multiple opportunities to improve their qualifications, master skills and receive training in the fields of physical education, sport and recreation (e.g. tourism). The Gdansk University of Physical Education and Sport has several Olympic medallists associated to their Alma Mater. They are internationally qualified to conduct health-promoting online activities.



New BUP Participating Universities, *continued*

The University of Gdansk

The motto of the university is: In mari via tua (The sea is your way). It is the same today as when founded. in 1970. The University of Gdansk implements its maritime motto by assisting in the development of the Pomeranian region

The University's maritime image is reflected in its fields of study, specialities and research connected with the sea and in particular with the Baltic coast.

The University of Gdansk stands out in regard to women ranking high in world science. The University advances by developing new fields of research and study, and every effort is made to adapt the educational offer to the needs of the job market and the challenges facing 21st-century society. The

next decade of the University's development is said to include a new level of quality in education, in scientific-scholarly research, and in cooperation with the community.



Rzeszów University of Technology

When Rzeszów University of Technology is a state-funded academic university and a part of the Polish national education and science system. Rzeszow University of Technology offers its students a wide variety of programs and courses. It also undertakes research and scientific projects in specialized fields of applied sciences. Rzeszów University of Technology cares for the

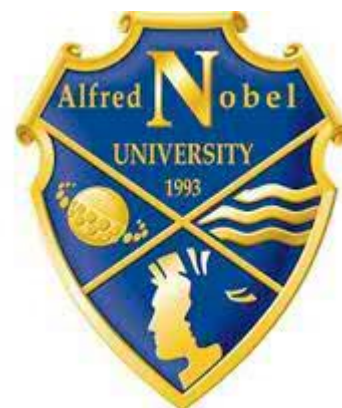
comprehensive development of students, attaches great importance also to high-quality research, and priorities cooperation for the environment, transfer of scientific knowledge to industry and commercialization of research. The implementation of projects under the European Union programs carried out at the Technology Transfer Center of RUT is considered an especially important task.



RZESZOW UNIVERSITY
OF TECHNOLOGY

Alfred Nobel University

Founded in 1993 as an innovative institution of higher education, Alfred Nobel University is today a private educational institution in Dnipro, Ukraine. It is committed to enhance innovative technologies in teaching. The university motto is "Education for life, education through life". Its mission is to create real academic and scientific values regarding contemporary economic and social development, European and global integration of Ukraine, provide students with knowledge and skills to ensure their mobility and competitiveness in the labour market in Ukraine and abroad. The university put a lot of effort in its quality systems and holds several international accreditations. One of its main events is the annual International Nobel Congress.



New BUP Participating Universities, *continued*

Higher School of Administration in Bielsko-Biala

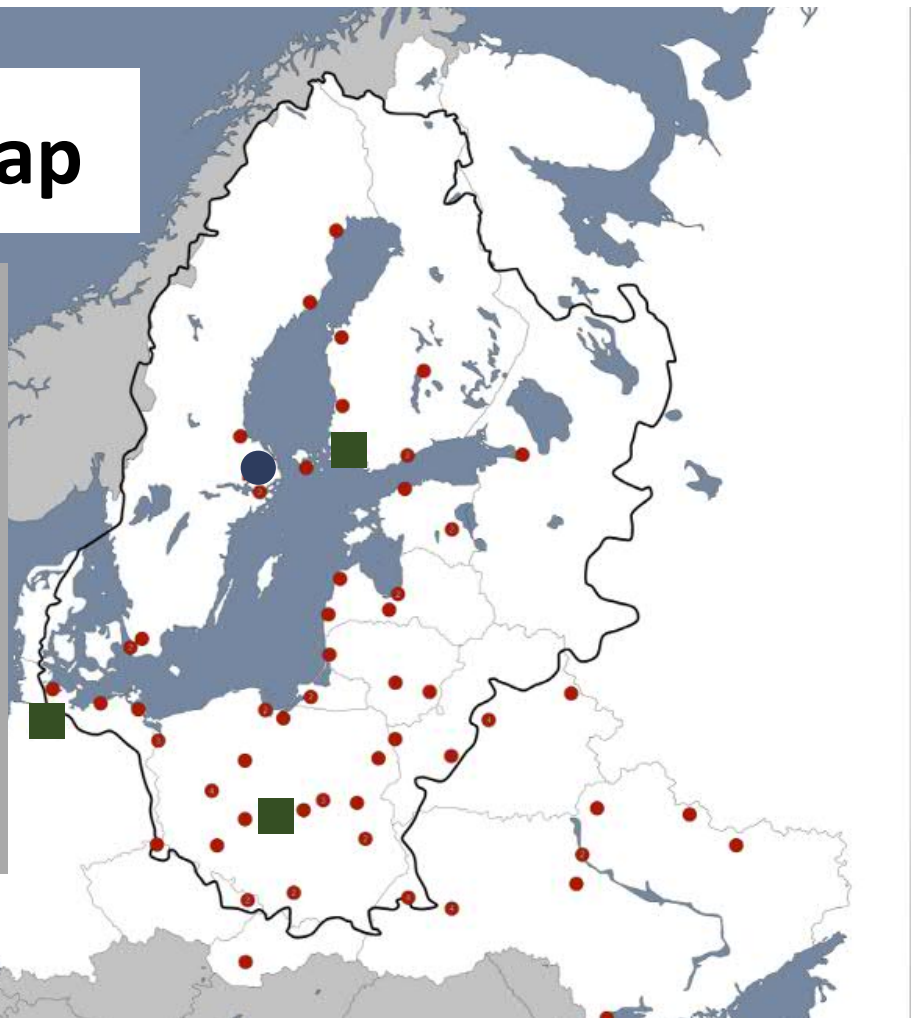
The Higher School of Administration in Bielsko-Biala (Wyższa Szkoła Administracji w Bielsku-Białej) is a higher education institution in Poland, founded in 1997. It was founded to meet the educational needs specific to the region. Today, the institution educates its students in administration and pedagogy and in 20 fields of postgraduate studies. The curriculum is adjusted to the actual needs of the labor market, meets the requirements for professional qualifications expected by employers and provides the student with the opportunity to choose their own scientific interest and career development path. Practice (workshops and work in groups) is a favoured educational method. International cooperation and relations has become a top priority.



The BUP map

The map shows the Baltic Sea Region and the universities participating in the BUP. The thin black line denotes the drainage area of the Baltic Sea. The red dots stand for the location of one or several Participating Universities. The green squares refer to the associate secretariats, and blue dot marks the location of the coordinating secretariat.

Graphics by Pontus Ambros.



The BUP logotype

The Baltic University Programme logotype. The logotype shows the earth and a satellite focusing on the Baltic Sea Region. This is our history, reflecting on how the BUP set up satellite TV arrangements in the early 1990's. An innovative approach to teaching and networking is as much part of our legacy as it is how we wish to continue working with our aims in the future.

Research profiles for a thriving BUP network

One of the main aims of The Baltic University Programme is to promote a strong regional and interdisciplinarity research communities in the fields of sustainable development. It is also about leading to more visibility and cooperation among researchers. We do so in several ways by:

- Building research networks, categorized according to our ten research themes.
- Coordinating publications and grant calls, through our BUP Research and Publication Office (BUPRaP).
- Supporting mobility and training for young scholars
- Supporting PhD supervisors through the Supervisor Collegium
- Compiling peer reviewed articles, book chapters and thesis into a Research Notes Letter, that is published three times a year.

One way to lead to more visibility and to make networking easier among researchers in the Baltic University Programme, is to present researchers on our web site. This is done by short presentations of individual researchers. As a fellow researcher you are welcome to join the network of BUP researchers. This is of course, free of charge! There is room for many more, so take this opportunity to join the BUP researcher network by filling out the Researcher Presentation Form. Besides information, a photo of yourself is required, preferably in the jpg-format. You can, of course, at any time ask us to unpublish your information.

Have something to share?

In order to make both the BUP secretariats and news from the BUP Participating Universities more visible and easier to access, we have started to send out via e-mail "BUP weekly", a short summary of upcoming events and news about research. The BUP weekly will be sent out two - four times per month and will include: BUP news, with activities and calls organized by BUP; Network news, with activities and calls from our Participating Universities and partners; Call for papers, a list of open calls from BUPRaP or other publication opportunities relevant for the region and the nine BUP Themes.

If you want to share something with the BUP network, it will be included in this bulletin. The BUP Newsletter, will still be published three- four times per year, but will be focusing on more in depth news and reports from BUP events. In this way, we hope that we can make the information more accessible and reduce the amount of emails sent out on our list. We hope you will enjoy it!

The BUP Mailing-list

The BUP mailing-list (balticuniversity@lists.uu.se) has about 2,500 subscribers. Through the list, we distribute The BUP Newsletter, The BUP Weekly, The Research Notes Letter and other BUP announcements. If you want to subscribe to the BUP mailing-list, simply send an email to sympa@lists.uu.se with an empty body. In the subject line please write: SIGNON balticuniversity.

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The BUP Newsletter

The BUP Newsletter publishes materials on the BUP, it's activities, and on sustainable development in the Baltic Sea Region. The newsletter is published three - four times per year and distributed by e-mail through the Balticuniversity emailing-list. Comments, contributions, tips, and ideas are as always welcome, please contact Ulrika Klintberg at ulrika.klintberg@balticuniv.uu.se.

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