



## The 6<sup>th</sup> Baltic University Programme Rectors' Conference

*Internationalization - Sustainability - Quality Assurance*

**28-29 September 2022, Uppsala**

*Program*

### **Wednesday 28 September**

Conference venue: Humanities Theatre at Uppsala University (Thunbergsvägen 3B,Uppsala)

11.30 **Registration and mingle lunch**

13.00 **Opening of the conference**

Rector Anders Hagfeldt, Uppsala University

13.10 **The Baltic University Programme – 31 years of academic cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region**

Director Madeleine Granvik, The Baltic University Programme and Olle Jansson, Chair of the Baltic University Programme international board Uppsala University

13.30 **The Baltic University Programme – internationalization in practice**

Reports from BUP colleagues and Student Representatives on BUP activities supporting regional co-operation at BUP participating universities.

14.45 **Coffee break**

### **Challenges Ahead– strategic issues to address**

15.15 "On the role of the university in safeguarding democracy and the independence of higher education", Senior lecturer, Sofia Ahlberg, Uppsala university

### **Challenges of Internationalization**

15.30 "Building a culture of internationalization: University of Lodz as a case in point", Vice.rector Łukasz Bogucki, University of Lodz, Poland

15.45 "An approach to internationalisation: the case of the West Pomeranian University of Technology, Szczecin", Remigiusz Panicz, West Pomeranian University of Technology, Szczecin, Poland

16.00 "University of Warsaw and Ukrainian Universities as a case of internationalization", Rector Alojzy Z. Nowak, University of Warsaw, Poland

### **Sustainability at Universities**

16.15 "Sustainable futures: an inter-disciplinary journey at Uppsala University", Senior lecturer, Maria Forsberg, Uppsala University

16.30 "Educational innovations and ECO responsibilities as strategic challenges of WSB University in Poznan", Rector Ryszard Sowiński, WSB University in Poznan, Poland

## Quality Assurance of Higher Education

- 16.45 “Development of the co-creation ecosystem for improving the quality of education“, Rector Eugenijus Valatka , Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania
- 17.00 “Contribution of European networks to the development and quality of education“, Rector Krzysztof Józwick, Lodz University of Technology, Poland
- 17.15 “Building a citizens' friendly research-education-innovation ecosystem“, Vice-Rector Lucyna A. Wozniak, Medical University of Lodz, Poland
- 17.30 **The end of the day**
- 19.00 **The Baltic University Programme – 30-year celebration. Reception and dinner at Uppsala Castle**

## Thursday 29 September

Conference venue: Uppsala University Main building, Sal IX (first floor)

- 9.00 **Introduction:** The Baltic University Programme and participating universities work with the strategic issues *Sustainability* and *Quality Assurance*, BUP Director Madeleine Granvik and, project administrator, Evan Goss

### **Discussion in Panels**

Rectors and Student Representatives respond to questions and discuss out from their strategic work and experiences.

- 9.15 **Internationalization: Moderator Prof. Ireneusz Zbicinski**

Vice-rector Tamara Ishchenko, Alfred Nobel University, Dnipro, Ukraine

Vice-rector Renata Tomaskova, University of Ostrava, Czech Republic

Rector Marta Kosior-Kazberuk, Bialystok University of Technology, Poland

Vice-rector Ylva Hillbur, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden

Tereza Homolova, Student Representative to the BUP International Board,  
University of Ostrava, Czech Republic

10.15 **Coffee break**

10.30 **Sustainability at Universities: Moderator Prof. Walter Leal**

Rector Artūras Razbadauskas, Klaipeda University, Lithuania

Rector Leonids Ribickis, Riga Technical University, Latvia

Vice-rector Katrin Saks, Tallinn University, Estonia

Simona Halásová, Student Ambassador, Slovak University of Agriculture,  
Slovak Republic

11.30 **Lunch**

Conference venue: Uppsala University Main building, Sal IV (ground floor)

12.45 **Quality Assurance of Higher Education: Moderator BUP Director Madeleine Granvik**

Vice-Rector Gunilla Widén, Åbo Akademi University, Finland

Rector Karlis Kreslins, Ventspils University of Applied Sciences, Latvia

Vice Rector Lucia Pašová, Slovak University of Agriculture, Slovak Republic

Marina Valeníková, Student Ambassador, Slovak University of Agriculture,  
Slovak Republic

13.45 **The Baltic University Programme General Assembly**

Long term directions for the BUP, open discussion and suggestions for future.  
The General Assembly is intended for all representatives of the BUP  
participating universities. Potential members are welcome to join.

14.45 **Closing of the Conference**

15.00 **Guided tour in central Uppsala (optional)**