

A new academic year is about to commence. Below you find some information about upcoming BALTECH and other activities.

Protocol from the 2011 Baltech rectors' meeting

The protocol from the 2011 rectors' meeting is enclosed. Any comments and changes should be directed to the Baltech Secretariat not later than by September 15, 2011. The Baltech Secretariat is working with the implementation of the decisions.

Enclosure 1.

Baltech Board meeting in Riga, October 20

The Next Baltech board meeting will take place in Riga on October 20. The meeting will start midday so that everybody will be able to arrive by land or air and return in the late afternoon the same day. The agenda will be sent latest two weeks prior to the meeting. The Secretariat awaits proposals from board members. If you fly, please make reservations early in order to get favourable prices.

Student Union meeting

The next Baltech Student Union meeting will be held in Riga towards the end of November. Details will follow.

BALTECH Scholarship and ÅF Grant application deadline October 15, 2011

The next application deadline for the BALTECH scholarship and ÅF Grant is October 15, however urgent requests are handled continuously. The maximum length of the scholarship has been reduced from 12 to 8 weeks. Information is available on www.baltech.info.

The Baltech Secretariat will contact the IROs.

Cooperation between administrative units

A meeting for communication departments will be arranged either in Lithuania or Estonia in late November. Details will follow.

Nordtek conference 2012

Preparations are underway for the joint Nordtek-BALTECH 2012 conference. The Baltech Secretariat is preparing the program in cooperation with the Nordtek Secretariat. RTU, KTU and VGTU board members will soon be approached with request to identify speakers. A pamphlet about KTU, RTU, TUT and VGTU will be published. Enclosure 2.

Baltic Development Forum October 24 – 26, 2011

The next Baltic Development Forum will be held in Gdansk, October 24-26 together with the European Commission's 2nd Annual Forum on the EU Baltic Sea strategy. The annual forum is the most important and prestigious of its kind in the Baltic Sea Region with top politicians, business people, high rank policy makers etc attending. Poland holds the EU Presidency until December 31.

Information and registration: www.bdforum.org

Erasmus application

The BALTECH Erasmus application *Sharing Engineering Know How of Enterprises in the Baltic Sea Regions for Improving Quality in Education in Local Universities of Technology* (acronym SEKBU) has been rejected. The Baltech Secretariat proposes that we look into the shortcomings and submit a renewed application in early 2012. Responsible persons at the Baltech universities will be contacted. Enclosure 3.