

# CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS OF RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

## IN STUDY YEAR 2021/2022

### 2021

#### September 1

The traditional RTU management meeting with freshmen is taking place in *Ķīpsala* colonnade.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-krasni-iezvanits-jaunais-studiju-gads>

This year's graduate of RTU Engineering High School (EHS) *Džonatans Miks Melgalvis* receives a scholarship from the Mayor of Riga.

<https://www.lsm.lv/raksts/dzive--stils/cilvekstasti/dzonatans-miks-melgalvis--visvairak-tituletais-skolens-latvija.a419466/>

#### September 3

The opening of the new building and auditorium centre «*Domus Auditorialis*» of the Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology (FCSIT) at *10 Zunda kanāls* in *Ķīpsala* is taking place. Prime Minister *Krišjānis Kariņš*, Minister of Education and Science *Anita Muižniece*, RTU management, students and industry professionals participate in the solemn event.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/svinigi-atklaj-rtu-datorzinatnes-un-informacijas-tehnologijas-fakultates-un-auditoriju-majas-jaunas-ekas>

#### September 8

RTU EHS has been recognized as the best school in the Friendly Call Fund's Best School Ranking in 2020 by the City Secondary Schools Group, as well as receives awards in several nominations. The solemn awarding ceremony takes place at the National Library of Latvia.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-inzenierzinatnu-vidusskolai-vislabakie-rezultati-centralizetajos-eksamenos-lielo-pilsetu-vidusskolu-grupa>

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## September 16

RTU signs a memorandum of cooperation with one of the leading universities of technology in the world – Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA.

<https://www.tvnet.lv/7335305/rtu-sadarbosies-ar-masacusetas-tehnologiju-institutu?fbclid=IwAR2QII0INa2YkNuHSKsxnR4LbcYbTi8DEqJ4AD7bjF9mrNp7w2y59jJlD9g>

In Riga, in the square near the shopping centre «Origo», there is an open-air large-scale exhibition «Science Inspires!», which tells about 25 men scientists and 25 women scientists – creative and inspiring personalities in modern Latvian science. Among them – 11 RTU scientists.

<https://www.izm.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/pie-tc-origo-atklata-izstade-zinatne-iedvesmo-par-50-latvijas-zinatniekiem-un-zinatniecem>

RTU Scientists' Night takes place online.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-aicina-skolenus-uz-zinatnieku-nakts-pasakumiem-24-septembri>

## September 20–24

The very first official European University of Technology – EUT+ (the result of the alliance of eight European partners) meeting is taking place in Cyprus. Rector of RTU Academician *Leonīds Ribickis* and Rector of *Universidad Politécnica de Cartagena* (UPCT) Professor *Beatriz Miguel Hernández* has signed a Memorandum of Cooperation between RTU, UPCT and the University of Latvia (UL) whose Rector Academician *Indriķis Muižnieks* has signed the Memorandum last week in Riga. In the context of the EUT+, the agreement provides the promotion of the development of new study programs within the EUT+ consortium i.e. master program in Environmental Biotechnology.

<https://international.rtu.lv/2021/09/30/the-first-face-to-face-meeting-of-the-eut-consortium-takes-place-in-cyprus/>

## September 21

Rolf Wenzel, President of the Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB), visits RTU with representatives of the steering group to get acquainted with RTU infrastructure projects implemented with CEB funding.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/eiropas-padomes-attistibas-bankas-prezidents-iepazisies-ar-rtu-studentu-pilsetinas-infrastrukturas-projektiem?fbclid=IwAR37R1XmpOXv6M5GtEL\\_SpsZJNiskhK5Dp3UPRt8h26LizqMN\\_LBZcPZxbw](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/eiropas-padomes-attistibas-bankas-prezidents-iepazisies-ar-rtu-studentu-pilsetinas-infrastrukturas-projektiem?fbclid=IwAR37R1XmpOXv6M5GtEL_SpsZJNiskhK5Dp3UPRt8h26LizqMN_LBZcPZxbw)

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### **September 24**

RTU Vice-Rector for Research Academician *Tālis Juhna* pays an introductory visit to the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Republic of Latvia Kanchana Patarachoke to inform about RTU's activities in the field of studies, science, and innovation and discuss possible directions of cooperation with higher education institutions in Thailand.

### **September 27**

By the decision of the RTU Senate (Minutes No. 653):

- *Elīna Gaile-Sarkane* was re-elected as the Chairman of the RTU Senate, *Jānis Kaminskis* as the Deputy Chairman;
- the Department of Aeronautical Systems and Aircraft Exploitation (DASAE) was established by merging the Department of Transport Systems and Logistics and Department of Aeronautic Technologies of the Institute of Aeronautics (IA) of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Transport and Aeronautics (FMETA);
- by merging the Department of Aircraft Theory and Construction and the Department of Avionics of FMETA IA, the Department of Aircraft Maintenance and Design (DAMD) has been established.

### **September 29**

A modern complex of surface and nano-object spectroscopy is discovered at Laboratory House (1 *P. Valdena* Street) in *Ķīpsala*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-atklaj-virsmas-un-nanoobjektu-spektroskopijas-kompleksu>

### **In September**

For the second year in a row, RTU has been recognized as one of the 25 leading universities in the world in terms of the proportion of open access publications in the «U-Multirank» international university ranking.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-uzlabo-sniegumu-un-saglaba-liderpozicijas-latvija-u-multirank-reitinga?fbclid=IwAR2a4xuRobEwJN7m1xHS2MbR03zL3t77kTfzrMCzDNQC78zODgYi3nB8FvQ>

RTU in the «QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2021» created by prestigious rating agency «QS World University Rankings», ranks 201st–250th place, achieving the best results in the indicator of employer-student cooperation.

<https://www.tvnet.lv/7345135/starptautiskie-darba-deveji-visaugstak-latvija-noverte-rtu-un-lu>

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## October 1

Evaluating the 69 submitted applications, the Council of the State Scientists Emeritus grants the status of State Emeritus Scientist to 32 scientists, among them – six RTU researchers: *Jurijs Dehtjars, Jānis Grundspenķis, Valdis Kokars, Andrejs Kolišķins, Gaļina Merkurjeva* and *Andris Ozols*.

[https://lza.lv/aktualitates/](https://lza.lv/aktualitates/jaunumi/772-valsts-emeriteta-zinatnieka-statuss-pieskirts-32-zinatniekiem)

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## October 8

The fifth RTU History Day is taking place.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/muzejs/muzejs-par-mums/muzeja-zinas/atvert/notiks-rtu-62-zinatniskas-konferences-sekcijas-inzenierzinatnu-un-augstskolu-vesture-sede>

## October 9

RTU inter-faculty erudition competition «*Spice 2021*» is taking place.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/kultura/par-mums-kultura/jaunumi-kultura/atvert/rtu-starpfakultasu-erudicijas-konkurss-spice-2021-norisinasies-9-oktobri>

## October 11

By the decision of the RTU Senate (Minutes No. 654):

- RTU Honorary Doctorate awarded to Paul E. Tesluk, Professor at the University of Buffalo, State University of New York;
- a Science and Innovation Centre has been established within the RTU Office of Vice-Rector for Research including the reorganized RTU Design Factory;
- regulations for nominating RTU Council candidates have been approved.

## October 12

Today, remembering and honouring the founders and the first rectors of our university, the team of RTU Research Centre for Engineering History visited their resting places in Riga cemeteries. RTU management was represented by Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs Professor *Uldis Sukovskis*; students – by the Head of Study Department of RTU Student Parliament *Airita Olehnoviča*.

*Photo gallery:* <https://www.flickr.com/photos/rtu-lv/albums/72157720005597346>

### October 14

Celebrating the 159th anniversary of RTU, the 62nd Plenary Session of the RTU International Scientific Conference and the Solemn Sitting of the RTU Senate take place, in which the most outstanding RTU scientists and lecturers are traditionally praised: the Award «RTU Scientist of the Year 2021» is awarded to *Andris Šutka*, Associate Professor of the Faculty of Materials Science and Applied Chemistry (FMSAC); «RTU Young Female Scientist of the Year 2021» – FMSAC Researcher *Jana Vecstaudža*; «RTU Young Scientist of the Year 2021» – FMSAC Researcher *Kristaps Rubenis*; the Award «RTU Annual Award for Valorisation» is awarded to Professor *Agris Ņikitenko*, Dean of the Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology (FCSIT); «RTU Annual Student Award for Valorisation» – FMSAC doctoral student *Kristīne Irtiševa*. «RTU Annual Academic Excellence Award» is awarded to FCSIT Professor *Jānis Grabis*; «RTU New Lecturer of the Year 2021» – Assistant Professor of the Faculty of Electronics and Telecommunications (FET) *Ingrīda Lavrinoviča*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-159-dzimsanas-diena-apbalvo-izcilakos-zinatniekus-un-macibspekus>

### October 16

RTU chess players win 1st place both individually and in the overall rating in the Latvian Student's Chess Championship, which takes place during the XXXII Latvian Universiade.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-studenti-izcina-cempionu-titulu-latvijas-studentu-saha-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR1ekUKkoDAeJkd1ihXoZASTWx5r0e\\_UVNpfU6nECjn79ZdUfTIGRWxXdq1](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-studenti-izcina-cempionu-titulu-latvijas-studentu-saha-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR1ekUKkoDAeJkd1ihXoZASTWx5r0e_UVNpfU6nECjn79ZdUfTIGRWxXdq1)

### October 19

Latvia has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the European Institute of Innovation and Technology on closer co-operation in promoting innovation. The Ministry of Education and Science entrusts the implementation of the memorandum in Latvia to RTU.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/veidojot-ciesakas-saites-ar-eiropas-inovaciju-un-tehnologiju-institutu-stiprinas-atbalstu-inovaciju-ekosistemai-latvija?fbclid=IwAR2X1FTR\\_uAXeR4xre2kG3EGmCjINYo0S3BTgw9FGew7EHW-06sU97gKyuE](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/veidojot-ciesakas-saites-ar-eiropas-inovaciju-un-tehnologiju-institutu-stiprinas-atbalstu-inovaciju-ekosistemai-latvija?fbclid=IwAR2X1FTR_uAXeR4xre2kG3EGmCjINYo0S3BTgw9FGew7EHW-06sU97gKyuE)

### October 20

The Ambassador of Mongolia to Latvia *Barkhas Dorj* pays a working visit to the RTU Student Campus in *Ķīpsala* to get acquainted with the development of RTU infrastructure, technical support and to discuss the current cooperation between RTU and higher education institutions in Mongolia and future opportunities.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/rtu-lv/albums/72157720031777648>

## October 22

The Paul Walden Memorial Medal is awarded: to *Māra Jure*, Professor of the Institute of Technology of Organic Chemistry of FMSAC; to *Māris Knite*, Professor of the Institute of Technical Physics (ITP) of FMSAC; and to *Pāvels Arsenjans*, Head of the Pharmacomodulators Synthesis Group of the Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis (LIOS).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/paula-valdena-pieminas-medalu-sanem-tris-izcili-latvijas-zinatnieki?fbclid=IwAR0DLcaH5R6pdgWzpzxeKPyzDoLhNY-DgblnGUEZblvi5te2dFBbAfrQE8>

## October

RTU ranks 251–300th place in «THE Emerging Economies University Rankings 2022» ranking of universities in emerging economies by «Times Higher Education» (THE), one of the world's most prestigious rating agencies. RTU's performance was rated the highest in two areas of activity – income from industry (knowledge transfer) and international cooperation (staff, students, research).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/starptautiskaja-jaunas-ekonomikas-valstu-reitinga-visaugstak-noverte-rtu-starptautisko-sadarbibu-un-ienakumus-no-industrijas>

## November 2

RTU men's choir «*Gaudeamus*» founder (1959) and Honorary Conductor, Chief Honorary Conductor of the General Latvian Song and Dance Festival, composer Professor *Edgars Račevskis* is awarded the Cabinet of Ministers Prize for lifelong contribution to strengthening and developing the Latvian choir art and General Latvian Song and Dance Festival tradition.

<https://www.lnkc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/ar-ministru-kabineta-balvu-un-atzinibas-rakstu-novertetat-kulturas-nozares-izcilibas?fbclid=IwAR02aJHHZE9MgR9QZmQbNMnv1ZvyqYZWZeEgcRplRogb8uR67m3MaDPFLW0>

## November 2–6

The third face-to-face meeting of the European University of Technology Consortium (EUT+) is taking place at the Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences in Germany; during which the rectors of the eight universities involved in the project, including Rector of RTU Academician *Leonīds Ribickis*, sign a letter of intent on the establishment of research institutes for the development of science.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/eiropas-tehnologiju-universitates-konsorcija-rektori-paraksta-nodomu-protokolu-par-petniecibas-institutu-izveidi-zinatnes-attistibai>

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### November 10

The President of Latvia *Egils Levits* and the Chapter of Orders decide: to award the Order of the Three Stars to the Professor of the FMETA *Toms Torims* for special merits in favour of Latvia by appointing the Professor as an Officer of the Order of the Three Stars; to award the Cross of Recognition to *Aija Janbicka-Vība*, Director of the RTU Scientific Library, by appointing her an Officer of the Cross of Recognition.

<https://www.delfi.lv/news/national/politics/pirms-lacplesa-dienas-60-personam-pieskir-augstakos-valsts-apbalvojumus.d?id=53764811>

### November 15

RTU Senate (Minutes No. 656), based on the Regulations «*Par RTU padomes kandidātu izvirzīšanas un ievēšanas nolikuma apstiprināšanu*» (On Approval of the Regulations on Nomination and Election of RTU Council Candidates) approved on 11 October 2021, elects five members of the RTU Council by secret ballot: *Jānis Braunfelds*, *Jānis Grabis*, *Jānis Ločs*, *Jurģis Poriņš* and *Anita Straujuma*. Such elections are taking place for the first time not only in the history of RTU but also in the history of Latvia.

The RTU Council will consist of 11 members. Five persons, elected by the RTU Senate, will be joined by another outstanding non-academic representative nominated by the President, and five members of the public will be appointed by the Ministry of Education and Science in accordance with the Cabinet of Ministers.

### November 23

RTU Science and Innovation Centre Acting Director *Liene Briede* has been confirmed as the first representative of Latvia on the Board of the European Innovation Council.

<https://labsoflatvia.com/aktuali/rtu-eiropas-inovaciju-padomes-valde?fbclid=IwAR145knW9Vgy6cb3Dw-l3gFFXxeilFvhpkeg7vXJgY3a4pmlejDyrFkAwOI>

RTU Rector Academician *Leonīds Ribickis* pays a reconnaissance visit to H. E. Ms. Eimear Friel, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Ireland to the Republic of Latvia. *Igors Tipāns*, Deputy Rector for International Cooperation and Foreign Students Department, *Kārlis Valtiņš*, Head of the International Projects Unit and Coordinator of the EU + Initiative, and *Laura Štāle*, Head of the International Cooperation Unit, are also participating in the conversation with the Ambassador of Ireland.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/rtu-lv/albums/72157720188251839>

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## November 25

22 new members were elected at the general meeting of the Latvian Academy of Sciences (LAS), including five RTU scientists. The following have become full members of the LAS (academicians): *Dagnija Loča* and *Andris Šutka* (both FMSAC); correspondent members: *Andra Blumberga* (Faculty of Electrical and Environmental Engineering; FEEE); *Remo Merijs Meri* and *Kristīne Šalma-Ancāne* (both FMSAC).

<https://www.lza.lv/aktualitates/jaunumi/827-latvijas-zinatnu-akademijas-2021-gada-jauno-loceklu-vešanas-ieveleti-divdesmit-divi-zinatnieki-un-divi-goda-locekli>

In this general meeting, FMSAC graduate *Dr. chem. Marija Skvorcova*, receives the Award named by *Edvīns Vedējs* for young doctors of science for outstanding achievements in organic chemistry, established this year by the LAS and the Riga Technical University Development Fund.

<https://www.lza.lv/par-mums/pilnsapulces/829-lza-rudens-pilnsapulces-materiali-2021-gada-25-novembris>

## December 2–3

Representatives of RTU faculties and the International Cooperation and Foreign Students Department in *Kīpsala* meet with Philippe Bolon, Dean of the Polytech Annecy-Chambéry, University of Savoie Mont Blanc, France.

## December 3

Seong-Jin Han, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea, and Sang Gum Li, Adviser on International Cooperation at Busan National University, are visiting RTU.

At the XXXII Latvian Universiade, RTU students (women) win 1st place in the women's competition, while the students (men) – the 2nd place.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-peldetajiem-zelts-un-sudrabs-xxxii-universiade?fbclid=IwAR39cBdrZaVMfSH\\_qOA8T2Bcjc\\_n3EfcBd6vGeldMt19\\_p1zIzqZx7A8KJ0](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-peldetajiem-zelts-un-sudrabs-xxxii-universiade?fbclid=IwAR39cBdrZaVMfSH_qOA8T2Bcjc_n3EfcBd6vGeldMt19_p1zIzqZx7A8KJ0)

## December 11

At the XXXII Latvian Universiade in badminton, RTU students win 1st place in the men's competition, the women's team ranks 2nd.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/universiade-badmintonu-rtu-studenti-izcina-godalgotas-vietas>



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### **December 11-12**

RTU Team wins gold and bronze medals in Latvian Quick Chess and Rapid Chess Championships.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-komanda-izcina-zeltu-un-bronzu-latvijas-atra-saha-un-saha-atrspeles-cempionatos>

### **December 13**

At the solemn event, removing a granite plaque with the name of RTU from the facade of the building at 1 *Kaļķu* Street, RTU leaves the historic building. From now on, the university administration will be located on the RTU Student Campus in *Ķīpsala*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-svinigi-atvadas-no-vesturiskas-ekas-kalku-iela-1>

### **December 20**

RTU scientists receive JSC «Latvenergo» and the Latvian Academy of Sciences Annual Awards for excellence in energy research: *Gatis Bažbauers*, Deputy Vice-Rector for Research at RTU, Professor of the Institute of Energy Systems and Environment (IESE), receives the Award named by *A. Vītols* for outstanding contribution to Latvian Energy in 2021; Annual Award for Significant Contribution to Energy receive *Laila Zemīte*, Associate Professor of the Institute of Power Engineering of FEEE and *Dmitrijs Rusovs*, Associate Professor at the Department of Thermal Power Systems of FMETA; Annual Award for Success in Energy for Young Scientists receives IESE researcher *Edīte Biseniece*; the Promotion Award for doctoral dissertation is won by two young scientists – IESE researcher *Armands Grāvelsiņš* and *Toms Mols*, who developed the dissertation at IESE.

<https://www.lza.lv/aktualitates/jaunumi/869-latvijas-zinatnieki-sanem-gada-balvas-energetika-2021>

### **December 30**

The Latvian Olympic Team (LOT) approves the composition of sportsmen in summer sports in 2022, including 131 athletes in the LOT Gold, Silver, and Bronze squads. Among them are three RTU students: 3rd-year student of the Faculty of Engineering Economics and Management (FEEM) beach volleyball player *Artūrs Rinkevičs* is included in the Silver squad, 2nd-year student of FEEE judoka *Aleksejs Zarudņevs* and FEEM 2nd-year master student-athlete *Patriks Gailums* are included in the Bronze squad.

<https://www.lov.lv/apstiprinati-lov-sastavi-vasaras-sporta-veidos>

## In December

Professor *Dagnija Blumberga*, Director of the IESE of RTU FEEE, receives the first Baltic Sustainability and Innovation Award «Rimi Baltic Sustainability Awards» in the category «Messenger of Change» for educating the public and actively advocating for climate neutrality in the field of energy.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-vassi-direktore-sanem-pirmo-baltijas-ilgtspejas-un-inovaciju-balvu>

RTU retains 57th place in the international rating «QS Emerging Europe and Central Asia (ECCA) 2022» compared to last year, in several criteria, such as the reputation of employers, experiencing growth.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/reitinga-qs-ecca-2022-visaugstak-noverteta-rtu-sadarbiba-ar-darba-devejiem>

RTU raises its position in «The GreenMetric World University Rankings» and becomes the 50th greenest university in the world, achieving the highest results in the categories of transport infrastructure, environmental education, and science, water efficiency, and waste management.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-greenmetric-reitinga-atzita-par-50-zalako-universitati-pasaule?fbclid=IwAR3dMV\\_ISJh9uKBo5\\_mEVfCeRxknSldWLekUbNbvAj1eWMVf6mjY4eSGDYM](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-greenmetric-reitinga-atzita-par-50-zalako-universitati-pasaule?fbclid=IwAR3dMV_ISJh9uKBo5_mEVfCeRxknSldWLekUbNbvAj1eWMVf6mjY4eSGDYM)

The LAS names the most significant achievements in science in 2021, including several studies of RTU scientists in applied science: Faculty of Civil Engineering (FCE) and FMSAC jointly developed solution for modification of bitumen and asphalt concrete composition with used car tire granules (developers – *Viktors Haritonovs, Jānis Zicāns, Remo Merijs-Meri* in cooperation with colleagues of the Latvian Tire Management Association, Ltd. «*Eco Baltia vide*», Ltd. «*Ceļu būvniecības sabiedrība «IGATE»*» and VSIA «*Latvijas Valsts ceļi*»); research of FMSAC scientists on the transformation of biomass waste into sustainable bioplastic products (developers – *Sergejs Gaidukovs, Oskars Platnieks, Anda Barkāne, Sergejs Beļuns, Gerda Gaidukova* in cooperation with colleagues from the Latvian State Institute of Wood Chemistry (LSIWC) and the UL).

For significant achievements in science Letters of Recommendation by LAS receives: on interdisciplinary research «*Drošu tehnoloģiju integrācijas aizsardzībai pret Covid-19 veselības aprūpes un augsta riska zonās*» (Safe technology integration for protection against Covid-19 in healthcare and high risk areas) – RTU, Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis, UL, Latvian Biomedical Research and Study Centre, Riga Stradins University, Rezekne Academy of Technology, LSIWC and Scientists from the Institute of Electronics and Computer Science:

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*Tālis Juhna, Linda Mežule, Ivars Kalviņš, Juris Purāns, Andris Šutka, Inga Dāboliņa, Inese Fiļipova, Ilze Irbe, Ivars Vanadziņš, Atis Elsts, Andreta Slavinska, Anna Zajakina, Andris Martinovs, Atis Skudra, Gita Rēvalde, Agris Ņikitenko, Kārlis Pajuste, Aleksandrs Levinskis; on an interdisciplinary study on how to transform traditional e-learning technology into a digital learning ecosystem – Researchers of Distance Education Study Centre of the Faculty of E-Learning Technologies and Humanities (FETH): Atis Kapenieks, Aleksandrs Gorbunovs, Mērija Jirgenšons, Jānis Kapenieks, sen., Iveta Daugule, Žanis Timšāns, Jānis Kapenieks, jun., Viktors Zagorskis, Bruno Žuga, Ieva Vītoliņa, Ieva Grada, Guna Jākobsone-Šņepste, Loreta Juškaite, Evija Mirķe.*

The LAS Letter of Recognition also praised the monograph «*Latvijas tautsaimniecība pandēmijas ēnā un pēckrīzes izrāviena iespējas = Latvian Economy in the Shadow of Pandemic and Opportunities of the Post-Crisis Recovery*»; the authors are FEEM scientists *Natalja Lāce, Jūlija Bistrova* and *Ludmila Kasperoviča*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/par-nozimigakajiem-sasniedzumiem-zinatne-2021-gada-atzist-vairakus-rtu-zinatnieku-petijumus?fbclid=IwAR3mvlD5gG7xA D2n-9kizh5rzjvJlscovLeIBtcCQhZr6Llo831SfsoiF50>

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### January 10

The cycle of events of the 160th anniversary of RTU Scientific Library is opened with a virtual exhibition.

[https://www.rtu.lv/writable/public\\_files/RTU\\_mlkf\\_gramatas\\_1990\\_2021.pdf](https://www.rtu.lv/writable/public_files/RTU_mlkf_gramatas_1990_2021.pdf)

### January 18

The LAS Senate awards name prizes to two young FMSAC scientists: the Award named by *Mārtiņš Straumanis* and *Alfrēds Ieviņš* in Chemistry to *Dr. chem. Krista Gulbe*; the Award named by *Emīlija Gudriniece* in Chemistry and Chemical Technology to *Mg. chem. Andris Jeminejs*.

<https://www.lza.lv/aktualitates/jaunumi/900-latvijas-zinatnu-akademija-pieskir-ikgadejas-vardbalvas-un-balvas-jaunajiem-zinatniekiem>

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/jaunie-zinatnieki-sanem-latvijas-zinatnu-akademijas-vardbalvas-par-ieguldijumu-kimija-un-kimijas-tehnologija>

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## January 19

FEEM graduate *Liene Bondare*, a skier, wins the opportunity to start at the XXIV Winter Olympic Games, which will take place from 4 to 20 February in Beijing, China.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sava-olimpiete-ziemas-olimpiskajas-speles-pekina?fbclid=IwAR05bn3avHV0CJVYjtUC35ht-oNEOWVPdTuDCuTXH2NsU5R7h8NlfTqsxe4>

## January 23

The four-man piloted bobsleigh by FEEM student *Dāvis Kaufmanis* wins the World Bobsleigh Championship, which takes place on the Igls track in Austria. RTU FCE student *Lauris Kaufmanis* is also one of the pushers.

[https://www.bobslejs.lv/raksts/kaufmana-cetrinieks-triumfe-pasaules-junioru-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR0GA526XVE-E5nFaVtfbPMtBrP77s3Ly-vYlorcmz6coKrzmsIGi1\\_n0mw](https://www.bobslejs.lv/raksts/kaufmana-cetrinieks-triumfe-pasaules-junioru-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR0GA526XVE-E5nFaVtfbPMtBrP77s3Ly-vYlorcmz6coKrzmsIGi1_n0mw)

## January 27

RTU Rector *Leonīds Ribickis* meets with Rector of the Chernihiv National University of Technology (CNUT) in Ukraine Oleh Novomlynets to present RTU's achievements in studies, science, valorisation and infrastructure development, as well as to discuss the current cooperation, outline its further development directions and sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-plano-attistit-sadarbibu-ar-cernigovas-valsts-tehnologisko-universitati-ukraina>

## January 28

RTU Open Day is taking place online.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-toposos-studentus-aicina-uz-atverto-durvju-dienu-tiessaiste-1>

## January 31

In accordance with the Law on Institutions of Higher Education, which stipulates that one representative of the Council of State Higher Education Institutions shall be nominated by the President, *E. Levits* has nominated *Andris Ambainis*, a Professor at the University of Latvia, to serve on the RTU Council.

<https://nra.lv/latvija/izglitiba-karjera/370756-valsts-prezidents-egils-levits-izvirza-parstavjus-darbam-valsts-augstskolu-padomes.htm>

By the decision of the RTU Senate (Minutes No. 659): *Andris Vanags*, the Chairman of the Council of JSC «SAKRET Holdings», was awarded the title «RTU Honorary Alumni 2021».

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### **In January**

The FMETA Metrology Scientific Laboratory receives new equipment from the company «*Mititoyo Polska Sp.o.o.*», which allows to expand the range of measurements performed in the laboratory and which can be used for student training and research.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/mitutoyo-metrologijas-laboratorija-piegadats-jauns-aprikojums-jaunas-iespejas-studentiem-un-zinatniekiem>

FMETA Professor *Viktors Mironovs* receives the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Medal for outstanding and innovative research in the fields of powder metallurgy, material pulse processing technology, composite materials and more.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-profesors-viktors-mironovs-sanem-pasaules-intelektuala-ipasumu-organizacijas-medalu>

### **February 1-4**

RTU students present business ideas at the European University of Technology (EUT +) demo day in Spain.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-studenti-prezente-biznesa-idejas-eut-demo-diena-spanija>

### **February 2**

For the second year in a row, the Latvian State Radio and Television Centre grants RTU with the award «*eParaksta čempions 2021*» (eSignature Champion 2021) and a Certificate of Recognition for 3rd place. In the first place – the portal *Latvija.lv*, in the second place – the State Revenue Service.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-jau-otro-gadu-klust-par-eparaksta-cempioni>

### **February 5**

RTU students win the 32nd Universiade of Latvia in powerlifting.

<https://studentusports.lv/2022/02/08/rtu-studenti-izcina-uzvaru-latvijas-universiade-speka-triscina/?fbclid=IwAR2iXFzZJXpTqeCRLwWVTN26nciyYnrrTXFgOgurIQwq7zmDgEBs9o5ccmds>

### **February 5-6**

FCE 5th year bachelor student *Reinis Krauklis* wins the first two places in the Latvian Badminton Championship: mixed doubles (with *Diana Stognija*) and men's doubles (with *Artūrs Akmenis*).

[https://badminton.lv/aktualitates\\_a.php?lang=lv&id=215&k=1351&limit=0](https://badminton.lv/aktualitates_a.php?lang=lv&id=215&k=1351&limit=0)

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## February 15

The Cabinet of Ministers approves five members of the RTU Council, thus the RTU Council has been established in the following composition: *Andris Ambainis, Jānis Braunfelds, Rik De Doncker, Jānis Grabis, Neils Kalniņš, Sanda Liepiņa, Jānis Ločs, Gary B. Marquis, Jurgis Poriņš, Anita Straujuma, Andris Vanags*. The first meeting of the RTU Council is scheduled for the beginning of March.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/marta-darbu-saks-jauna-rtu-padome>

## February 20

*Anda Upīte*, a 2nd course student of the FEEM, won a silver medal at the Latvian Junior and Youth Championships in Women's Luge, starting in a Doubles with *Zane Kaluma*.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-studentei-sudrabs-latvijas-junioru-meistarsacikstes-kamaninu-sporta?fbclid=IwAR3g9Kf64SVEDBL-QjutexXhuOT1tnPuZyHhfs-1v\\_N-vkSNpTJNl\\_AiEU](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-studentei-sudrabs-latvijas-junioru-meistarsacikstes-kamaninu-sporta?fbclid=IwAR3g9Kf64SVEDBL-QjutexXhuOT1tnPuZyHhfs-1v_N-vkSNpTJNl_AiEU)

## February 21

A sitting of the Constitutional Assembly of RTU is taking place, at which a decision (Minutes No. 34) has been adopted and a new version of the Regulations of the Constitutional Assembly of RTU has been approved. After listening to the informative report on the RTU Council, the Constitutional Assembly by vote expresses convincing support for the composition of the RTU Council, thus the newly established RTU Council receives a confirmation of confidence from the RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/jauna-rtu-padome-sanem-satversmes-sapulces-atbalstu>

## February 24

In solidarity with the Ukrainian academic community, RTU sends an invitation to the partner universities in Ukraine and the Embassy of Ukraine in Latvia, offering the doctoral students of the partner universities to continue the research work interrupted by the war at RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-sniedzot-atbalstu-ukrainai-piedava-doktoranturas-studentiem-zinatnisko-darbu-turpinat-riga>

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## February 25–27

RTU swimmers win prizes in the Latvian Open Swimming Championship, which takes place in *Kīpsala* swimming pool: Olympian FMETA 2nd course year master student *Daniils Bobrovs* wins a gold medal in the 200 m Breaststroke and a bronze medal in the 50 m Breaststroke; FEEM graduate (2018) *Girts Feldbergs* wins a gold medal in two disciplines – 50 m and 100 m Backstroke; FEEM 1st course master student *Jevgenijs Boicovs* wins a gold and a silver medal in a 50 m and 100 m Breaststroke; FEEM 1st course student *Marija Goberga* wins bronze medal in the 200 m complex swimming.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-peldetaji-izcina-godalgas-latvijas-atklataja-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR1f00FvVhr60\\_NUDYlBqsPcBv1HktLvL7DP4sVfSsyskyW\\_Tx9XZnZKKWZQ](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-peldetaji-izcina-godalgas-latvijas-atklataja-cempionata?fbclid=IwAR1f00FvVhr60_NUDYlBqsPcBv1HktLvL7DP4sVfSsyskyW_Tx9XZnZKKWZQ)

## In February

RTU is the first in Latvia to announce a competition for six vacancies for guaranteed employment or tenure professors.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-ka-pirma-universitate-latvija-izsludina-konkursu-tenurprofesoru-vakancem>

## March 1

Expressing support for Ukraine's struggle for its land and freedom, RTU awards scholarships to students from Ukraine, offers Ukrainian refugees accommodation in RTU service hotels and raises the Ukrainian flag in *Kīpsala*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-pieskir-stipendijas-ukrainu-studentiem-un-kipsala-pacel-ukrainas-karogu>

At the first meeting of the RTU Council, *Andris Vanags*, the Chairman of the Council of JSC «*Sakret Holdings*», was elected the Chairman of the Council, and *Anita Straujuma*, an Associate Professor at the FEEM, was elected Deputy Chairman.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/par-rtu-padomes-priekssedetaju-ievelets-sakret-holdings-vaditajs-andris-vanags>

## March 4

RTU Virtual Career Day is taking place.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-aicina-jauniesus-piedalities-virtualaja-karjeras-diena-2>

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### March 11

At the solemn presentation ceremony of the competition «*Latvijas Būvniecības Gada balva 2021*» (Latvian Construction Year Award 2021), which takes place in *Āgenskalns* Market Square, the new buildings of FCSIT and «*Domus Auditorialis*» receive the award for the 2nd place in the nomination «*Sabiedriskā ēka – jaunbūve*» (Public Building – New Building).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-datorzinatnes-un-informacijas-tehnologijas-fakultates-un-auditoriju-majas-jaunas-ekas-apbalvo-konkursa-latvijas-buvniecibas-gada-balva-2021>

### March 12

For the fourth year in a row, the RTU Team is winning the title of Champion at the XXXII Latvian Universiade in Chess.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-saglaba-latvijas-studentu-cempiona-godu-saha?fbclid=IwAR2GT604Yo2j-NpzH7-IWBbD88sAbgS0SeDJR8KI9OqRDhf-QNFBiqP81oI>

### March 13

FEEM Master's student javelin thrower *Patriks Gailums* wins a silver medal in the European Throwing Cup in Leiria, Portugal.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-skepmetejs-patriks-gailums-izcina-sudrabu-eiropas-meteju-kausa-sacensibas>

### March 22

Stefano Fontana, the Italian Ambassador for Design to Latvia in 2022, nominated by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, is visiting the Institute of Design Technologies of FMSAC.

### March 23

The Italian Design Day, organized by the Italian Embassy in Latvia in cooperation with RTU, is taking place at the «*Domus Auditorialis*» auditorium.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-un-italijas-vestnieciba-aicina-interesentus-uz-lekciju-par-italu-dizainu>

### March 25–26

RTU swimmers win six gold medals at the Baltic States Championship in Tartu, Estonia: FEEM graduate (2018) *Ģirts Feldbergs* – 50 m, 100 m and 200 m backstroke; FMETA 2nd year master student *Daniils Bobrovs* in 100 m and 200 m breaststroke; FEEM 1st year student *Jevgeņijs Boicovs* – 50 m breaststroke.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sportisti-izcina-baltijas-cempionu-titulus-peldesana>



### **March 26–27**

In the Latvian Table Tennis Championship, FEEM 1st year master student *Viktorija Majorova* wins the third place in both singles and doubles (paired with *Diāna Afanasjeva*).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/viktorija-majorova-izcina-bronzu-latvijas-cempionata-galda-tenisa>

### **March 27**

RTU Men's Volleyball Team «RTU *Robežsardze/Jūrmala*» wins a silver medal in the Latvian Championship.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-robezsardze-jurmala-latvijas-cempionata-iegust-sudrabu>

### **March 29**

The RTU Council approves the election commission and election regulations of the RTU Constitutional Assembly.

### **March 29–April 29**

Twice a week – on Tuesdays and Wednesdays – there is an online event «*Pieslēdzies RTU!*» (Connect RTU), where RTU students talk about their studies, students' lives and career opportunities after graduating from RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/nac-studet/piesledzies-rtu>

### **In March**

The Latvian Wheel Chair Curling Team, in which FEEM graduate *Polina Rožkova* also participates, ranks 9th in the XII Paralympic Games in Beijing.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-absolventes-parstaveta-latvijas-ratinkerlinga-izlase-paralimpiskajas-speles-pekina-izcina-9-vietu?fbclid=IwAR1yMCjCR2pK6kS-CIopVTvfcl2zt7on4t-78vWGC9mAXFqYOWsVmPPLGHk>

The RTU Sports Bridge Team wins a silver medal in the Latvian 2022 Team Championship, which takes place over three weekends in February and March, and acquires the right to start in the Baltic Cup, which is scheduled for April in Tallinn.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-komandai-sudraba-medalas-latvijas-komandu-cempionata-sporta-bridza>

RTU is organizing a donation campaign to financially support Ukrainian students and teaching staff who came to Latvia during the War.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-riko-ziedosanas-kampanu-un-piedava-atbalstu-ukrainas-studentiem-un-macibspekiem>

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Professor *Ivars Strautmanis*' Latvian Regional Architecture Scholarship is awarded to FA graduate *Ieva Liepa*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/profesora-ivara-strautmana-latvijas-regionalas-arhitekturas-stipendiju-iegust-jauna-arhitekta-ieva-liepa>

### **April 7**

The winners of the first 3D concrete printing competition in the Baltics are the student team of RTU and the Latvian Academy of Arts (LAA) «4 AM», which has developed the idea of an environmental design object – a multifunctional 3D concrete bench covered with wooden boards. The second place in the competition is won by the RTU and LAA student team «onlyonly», the third – by the RTU and University of Applied Sciences RISEBA student team «FRA».

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/pirmaja-3d-betona-drukas-konkursa-triumfe-ideja-par-multifunkcionalu-solinu>

In the LAS spring general meeting the winners of the LAS Name Award and the Young Scientists Award were awarded; among them also the FMSAC assistant professor *Dr. chem. Krista Gulbe*, who receives the *Mārtiņš Straumanis* and *Alfrēds Ieviņš* Name Award in Chemistry. The authors of the study «*Slīdamība pa ledu*» (Glide on Ice) – FMSAC and FMETA scientists *Kārlis Agris Gross*, *Jānis Lungevičs*, *Ernests Jansons*, *Ilze Jerāne*, *Jānis Vība* and *Mārtiņš Irbe* – receive a letter of gratitude from the LAS Senate.

<https://lza.lv/aktualitates/jaunumi/1034-lza-pavasara-pilnsapulce-sveic-lza-balvu-un-senata-pateibas-rakstu-laureatus>

### **April 7–8**

RTU, the University of Bergamo, the Italian Embassy and the Latvian Embassy in Italy sign a patronage agreement for the «Nonlinear Life» summer school.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-bergamo-universitate-italijas-vestnieciba-un-latvijas-vestnieciba-italija-paraksta-patronazas-ligumu-vasaras-skolai-nonlinear-life>

## April 9

In the Latvian Universiade competition in table tennis, RTU athletes win gold medals in both women's and men's competitions, doubles, and in the overall ranking of women's and men's teams. In the women's competition, the 1st place in singles is won by *Viktorija Majorova*, 1st year master student of the FEEM, in doubles – *V. Majorova* and *Liāna Zeltiņa*, 4th year student of FCSIT. In the men's competition, the 1st place in singles is won by FCSIT 3rd year student *Eduards Spāģis*, the 2nd place – FCSIT 1st year student *Deniss Vasiljevs*, 3rd place – FEEM 1st year student *Dāvis Pavlovs*; *E. Spāģis* and *D. Vasiljevs* win 1st place in doubles.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sportistiem-izcilisasniegumi-latvijas-xxxii-universiade-galda-tenisa?fbclid=IwAR373DR8XfUq7PzDD99jGWLg\\_G3YaYdeugT-oHHpCxS\\_1Bi7LdiOgpFNtMI](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sportistiem-izcilisasniegumi-latvijas-xxxii-universiade-galda-tenisa?fbclid=IwAR373DR8XfUq7PzDD99jGWLg_G3YaYdeugT-oHHpCxS_1Bi7LdiOgpFNtMI)

## April 19

The Government decides to award the Letter of Recognition of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia to RTU Rector *Leonīds Ribickis* for a significant contribution to increasing the university's influence in promoting economic development, as well as to RTU for a significant contribution to Latvia's economic development.

[https://www.izm.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/pieskir-ministru-kabineta-atzinibas-rakstu-par-izciljiem-sasniegumiem-izglitibas-zinatnes-un-sporta-joma?utm\\_source=http%3A%2F%2Fm.facebook.com%2F](https://www.izm.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/pieskir-ministru-kabineta-atzinibas-rakstu-par-izciljiem-sasniegumiem-izglitibas-zinatnes-un-sporta-joma?utm_source=http%3A%2F%2Fm.facebook.com%2F)

## April 22–24

Representing Latvia at the Nordic-Baltic Physics Olympiad, which takes place in Tallinn (Estonia), RTU EHS pupils *Lukass Roberts Kellijs* receive a silver and *Ralfs Šuba* a bronze award.

<https://www.izv.lv/2022/04/sasniegumi-ziemelvalstu-baltijas-valstu-fizikas-olimpiade/>

At the XX Nordic Veterans Table Tennis Championships in *Liepāja*, *Sanita Sveile*, Deputy Director of RTU Sports Centre and Coach of table tennis, wins gold (WS 45+ singles) and two bronze medals (WD 40+ in women's doubles and mixed doubles).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/sanita-sveile-izcina-zeltu-un-divas-bronzas-xx-ziemelvalstu-veteranu-cempionata-galda-tenisa?fbclid=IwAR0zrQtZmUw3uC3z4U7vaQLzOR8jxwYWruQBCmI8oKa9Z5lfgT8ppqCYbFI>

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## April 28

RTU and the company «SmartLynx Airlines» sign a cooperation agreement to provide more internship opportunities for future aviation engineers. The agreement is signed by RTU Rector *Leonīds Ribickis* and Head of the Personnel Unit of «SmartLynx Airlines» *Māra Šteinberga*.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-parakstasadarbibas-ligumu-ar-smartlynx-airlains-par-studentu-prakses-organizesanu-uznemuma>

RTU has been one of the first participants to join the national social initiative «Mission Zero». By signing the Charter of «Mission Zero», RTU affirms the responsible attitude towards its employees and their concern for their well-being, health and safety.

## In April

RTU has been recognized as the best university in the Baltics in engineering and technology, taking the 340th place in the prestigious international ranking «QS World University Rankings by Subject».

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-atzita-par-baltijas-labako-augstskolu-inzenierzinatnes-un-tehnologijas-prestizaja-qs-world-university-rankings-by-subject>

Evaluating RTU's performance in implementing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 17 cooperation program, RTU is ranked 201st–300th among the world's universities that are most successful in achieving sustainability goals. RTU's work in promoting sustainable innovations and combating climate change is rated the highest – 29th.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-reitinga-impact-rankings-2022-atzita-par-29-pasaule-labako-univeristati-kas-cinas-pret-klimata-parmainam?fbclid=IwAR13fk\\_RtYvuqzUgVRue2PkiZR-V7G08whbt1YEcdImJH0pBYmC5Xec2Y4](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-reitinga-impact-rankings-2022-atzita-par-29-pasaule-labako-univeristati-kas-cinas-pret-klimata-parmainam?fbclid=IwAR13fk_RtYvuqzUgVRue2PkiZR-V7G08whbt1YEcdImJH0pBYmC5Xec2Y4)

The team of pupils of RTU EHS and Varmdo Gymnasium in Sweden «North Filters» wins and the jury prize at the international team of ideas «Dragon's Den», developing a portable modular filter system to protect the sea from the rainwater entering it.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-inzenierzinatnu-vidusskolas-skolenu-idejas-triumfe-starptautiska-projekta-changemakers-somija>

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### **May 6**

RTU team wins the 32nd Latvian Universiade in Athletics in Men's Competition.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-komandai-uzvara-latvijas-32-universiade-vieglatletika?fbclid=IwAR0J00prA3hqoRpUwilVM8knjQnA3f4ToHm\\_AMvLRGZpfSXHjXCxBEqdy7w](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-komandai-uzvara-latvijas-32-universiade-vieglatletika?fbclid=IwAR0J00prA3hqoRpUwilVM8knjQnA3f4ToHm_AMvLRGZpfSXHjXCxBEqdy7w)

### **May 8-14**

Aleksandrs Vjaters, a 10th grade pupil at RTU EHS, wins a bronze medal at the European Experimental Science Olympiad in Hradec Kralove (Czech Republic).

<https://www.tvnet.lv/7523792/latvijas-skolenu-komandas-izcina-medalas-eiropas-eksperimentalo-zinatnu-olimpiade>

### **May 10**

Daġmāra Bārbale, the Artistic Director of the RTU Folk Dance Ensemble «Vektors» in 2021, receives the Riga City Council Award «Baltais zvirbulis» (White Sparrow) in the nomination «Amatiermākslas kolektīva vadītāja» (Leader of the Amateur Art Group) for a high-quality creative process and successful implementation of the multimedia dance performance «Latvju zīmēs rotāties» (Decorate in Latvian Signs).

<https://www.riga.lv/lv/jaunums/riga-pasniegs-gada-balvu-kultura-baltais-zvirbulis>

During the visit to Riga, the delegation of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly visits RTU, meets with the university management and gets acquainted with research and innovations in the field of security.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/nato-parlamentaras-asamblejas-delegacija-iepazistas-ar-rtu-petijumiem-un-inovacijam>

### **May 12**

The management and leading researchers of the Korean Institute of Machinery and Materials are visiting the FMETA to get acquainted with their scientific work and studies.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/korejas-masinerijas-un-materialu-instituts-viesoja-rtu-masinzinibu-transporta-un-aeronautikas-fakultate?fbclid=IwAR2C1UbNbl7ROAQ\\_U4YRy9xkQrtuxzOppwGwMAP-3PBaEP4V0lfkA2DAq5A](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/korejas-masinerijas-un-materialu-instituts-viesoja-rtu-masinzinibu-transporta-un-aeronautikas-fakultate?fbclid=IwAR2C1UbNbl7ROAQ_U4YRy9xkQrtuxzOppwGwMAP-3PBaEP4V0lfkA2DAq5A)

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### May 17

Professor *Inga Lapiņa* of FEEM receives a Letter of Commendation from the President of Latvia for her selfless contribution to the improvement of the quality of education in Latvia.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-profesore-inga-lapina-sanem-valsts-prezidenta-cildinajuma-rakstu?fbclid=IwAR0LqsZaJdkoAGEc3kzw-OHUUmee\\_4zP7Ugk5MfmmuCUHLgYNHE6jPRRxCs](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-profesore-inga-lapina-sanem-valsts-prezidenta-cildinajuma-rakstu?fbclid=IwAR0LqsZaJdkoAGEc3kzw-OHUUmee_4zP7Ugk5MfmmuCUHLgYNHE6jPRRxCs)

### May 18

A representative of the State Chancellery and the Head of the Prime Minister's Office *Jānis Patmalnieks* is visiting RTU to acquaint students with the opportunities of young people in the European Union, to provide a broader view of the processes taking place in Europe and the world, and to listen to students.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/ministru-prezidenta-biroja-vaditajs-janis-patmalnieks-ar-rtu-studentiem-apspriez-latvijas-un-es-aktualitates-un-vertibas>

### May 20

The rectors of universities at the European University of Technology (EUT+), including *Leonīds Ribickis*, rector of RTU, together with Jennifer Boyer, Vice-Rector for sustainability at Dublin University of Technology, meet with Eamon Ryan T. D., Irish Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications to discuss the various issues of sustainable development, the role of universities in mitigating climate change and to highlight the need to make caring for people and the environment a key priority in EUT+ activities as well.

RTU basketball players win the title of «*Olybet*» enthusiast league champion.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-basketbolistes-izcina-cempionu-titulu-olybet-entuziastu-liga>

### May 20–24

*Lukass Roberts Kellijs*, a 11th grade pupil at RTU EHS, won a bronze prize at the European Physics Olympiad in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

[https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/skolens-no-latvijas-izcina-bronzas-medalu-eiropas-fizikas-olimpiade-eupho?fbclid=IwAR2zRBCI4ZudFx7gGPgyK12T88\\_0Cr0Ce0rKjiLLguOqahwb59IMOy0TFzE&utm\\_source=https%3A%2F%2Fl.facebook.com%2F](https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/skolens-no-latvijas-izcina-bronzas-medalu-eiropas-fizikas-olimpiade-eupho?fbclid=IwAR2zRBCI4ZudFx7gGPgyK12T88_0Cr0Ce0rKjiLLguOqahwb59IMOy0TFzE&utm_source=https%3A%2F%2Fl.facebook.com%2F)

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### **May 23**

The newly elected Constitutional Assembly of RTU convenes for the first sitting. During the sitting, the Constitutional Assembly approves the new Constitution of RTU, which will enter into force on 1 June, as well as elects the new leadership of the Constitutional Assembly: Professor *Valdis Kokars* of FMSAC has been elected as the Chairman, *Inga Lapiņa*, Professor of the FEEM – Deputy Chairman, *Anita Pētersone*, Head of the Unit of Legal Provision in Real Estate Issues – as the Secretary of the Constitutional Assembly of RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-satversmes-sapulce-apstiprina-universitates-jauno-satversmi>

### **May 25**

Emphasizing the current issues of higher education and science, FA hosts a discussion «6 pret 6» (6 against 6) of the rectors of six Latvian universities and representatives of the six most popular political parties, organized by the Association of Latvian Universities.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/notiks-universitatu-reaktoru-un-politiku-priekšvelesanu-diskusija-par-augstako-izglitiba-un-zinatni>

### **May 30**

A delegation from the Tashkent Institute of Textiles and Light Industry (Uzbekistan) – Rector Professor Ilkhom Sabirov, Vice-Rector Bakhtiyor Bobohodjajev, Head of the International Cooperation Department Surayo Mamadzhanova, and the Head of the Master's Studies Department Professor Khayrulla Usmanov visit RTU to discuss possible directions of cooperation in the field of design and chemical technologies and gain an idea of RTU infrastructure development and technical support.

### **In May**

The European Commission (EC) has approved the participation of RTU Science and Innovation Centre (SIC) in the implementation of the pilot action of the Partnerships for Regional Innovation (PRI) project. The EC has selected a total of 63 regions, seven cities and four Member States for this project.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-izraudzita-par-regionalas-inovacijas-partneribas-izmeginajuma-darbibas-istenotaju>

### **June 1**

Taking into account the RTU Rector *Leonīds Ribickis*' order No. 01000-1.1-e/119, the legal address of RTU has been changed. Further on, it is 6A *Ķīpsalas* Street, Riga.

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The exhibition of graduates of the Institute of Design Technologies of FMSAC «*Kīpsala Design Code*» dedicated to the 160th anniversary of RTU is opened in the FA building. The exhibition is open until the end of June.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-jaunie-dizaineri-savus-darbus-prezente-izstade-kipsalas-dizaina-kods-2022>

### June 3

RTU, the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA) sign a letter of intent regarding the establishment of an Education Laboratory in Latvia.

<https://labsoflatvia.com/aktuali/mit-izglitibas-inovaciju-laboratorija>

### June 6

The Ambassador of Uzbekistan to Latvia Kadambay Sultanov and a delegation of the Qarshi Institute of Engineering Economics under the leadership of Rector Professor Orifjan Bazarov visit RTU to discuss possible directions of cooperation with RTU Rector Academician *Leonīds Ribickis* and other RTU representatives and sign a memorandum of understanding.

The Latvian Olympic Unit included five RTU athletes in «Gold», «Silver», and «Bronze» composition. Representatives of winter sports: in «Gold» composition – *Lauris Kaufmanis* (FCE 4th year); as a member of «Silver» composition – *Dāvis Kaufmanis* (FEEM 2nd year); *Anda Upīte* and *Dārta Estere Zunte* (both FEEM 2nd year); as a member of «Bronze» composition – *Liene Bondare* (FEEM graduate 2021).

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sportisti-ieklauti-latvijas-olimpiskas-vienibas-sastavos-ziemas-sporta-veidos?fbclid=IwAR0Cfyp537L0v2uAZ-9DDfvOKmt6ANIIMU3hxoyZs\\_Q27mkXiSU2uJETDyY](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-sportisti-ieklauti-latvijas-olimpiskas-vienibas-sastavos-ziemas-sporta-veidos?fbclid=IwAR0Cfyp537L0v2uAZ-9DDfvOKmt6ANIIMU3hxoyZs_Q27mkXiSU2uJETDyY)

### June 8

RTU in the international rating «QS World University Rankings 2023» gets 751st–800th place, maintaining the highest score among the three Latvian universities included in this rating.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-latvija-saglaba-liderpozicijas-prestizaja-qs-world-university-rankings-2>

Two RTU doctoral students – FMSAC doctoral student *Anda Barkāne* and FCE doctoral student *Laura Vītola* – receive the «L'ORÉAL-UNESCO» award «For Women in Science».

<https://www.delfi.lv/calis/jaunumi/tris-izcilas-latvijas-zinatnieces-sanem-balvu-sievietem-zinatne.d?id=54432330>



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### **June 10**

A forum «Interaction of the Education System in Secondary and Higher Education» is taking place to discuss how to successfully prepare pupils for higher education. The forum is organized by the Saeima Education, Culture and Science Commission, the Ministry of Education and Science, and RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/foruma-diskutes-ka-skolenus-veiksmigi-sagatavot-studijam-augstskolas>

### **June 14**

RTU signs a cooperation agreement with the Riga City Council on the establishment of the RTU Curiosity Centre «Futurimo Rīga» at 6 Meža Street.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-parakstis-sadarbibas-ligumu-ar-rigas-domi-par-rtu-zinatkares-centra-futurimo-riga-izveidi>

### **June 17–19**

The Baltic Students' Song and Dance festival «Gaudeamus» is taking place in Vilnius (Lithuania), with the participation of RTU amateur art groups: the choirs «Vivere» and «Delta», the student symphonic band «SPO» and the folk dance ensemble «Vektors».

<https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/sodien-vilna-sakas-baltijas-valstu-studentu-dziesmu-nu-deju-svetki-gaudeamus>

### **June 21**

In order to create a cooperation network of national metrology centres and scientific institutions, which would allow RTU researchers to become more actively involved in international research and cooperation projects in the future, the heads of Scandinavian and Baltic national metrology institutions are visiting RTU.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-tiekas-skandinavijas-un-baltijas-valstu-nacionalo-metrologijas-instituciju-vaditaji>

The annual FMSAC IDT student fashion show «Restart» is taking place, where the future costume designers offer their works in the form of a short film.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-jaunas-modes-dizaineres-filma-demonstres-savas-terpu-kolekcijas>

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## June 28

Starting the celebration of the 160th anniversary of RTU, the management of the university planted beeches, red maples and Sakura in *Kīpsala*. It is planned to plant 160 trees in the RTU Student Campus until RTU's birthday – October 14.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/par-godu-rtu-jubilejai-studentu-pilsetina-kipsala-tiks-iestaditi-160-koki>

## In June

For the fifth year in a row, RTU is included in the highest or platinum category of the «Sustainability Index».

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-piekto-gadu-saglaba-pozicijas-ilgtspejas-indeksa-platina-kategorija?fbclid=IwAR22\\_AJ9w9R\\_RP-CxI90VD2v1v-OjG54-C0FUEZBfz98E3PZJF8scGpkvjQ](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-piekto-gadu-saglaba-pozicijas-ilgtspejas-indeksa-platina-kategorija?fbclid=IwAR22_AJ9w9R_RP-CxI90VD2v1v-OjG54-C0FUEZBfz98E3PZJF8scGpkvjQ)

RTU receives the highest number of the highest (A level) ratings in Latvia in the international ranking of higher education institutions «*U-Multirank 2022*» - 15, for several years in a row obtaining convincingly the best results in the overall rating of this rating compared to all Latvian higher education institutions included in «*U-Multirank*».

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-saglaba-liderpozicijas-latvija-u-multirank-reitinga>

RTU Engineering High School holds the leading position in the group of small schools in the ranking of Latvian schools compiled by the *Atis Kronvalds* Foundation, which summarizes students' performance in national Olympiads and scientific research competitions, and retains the 1st place also in school year 2021/2022.

For the first time, RTU is hosting a meeting of the European University of Technology (EUT +) partners, bringing together the emerging EUT + partners – eight universities that have joined forces to create an internationally competitive technical university in Europe with innovative content and a single European degree.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-pirmoreiz-notiks-eiropas-tehnologiju-universitates-partneru-sanaksme?fbclid=IwAR3LnfAmfozBfXHH2Zml6i5owIFMxdOINxEhekkL3CvxpmbRyGRxEQJ32Z4>

In a survey organized by the Confederation of Latvian Employers and the career portal *prakse.lv*, RTU was recognized as the university most recommended by employers for the eleventh year.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/jau-vienpadsmto-gadu-darba-deveji-jauniesiem-iesaka-izveleties-studijas-rtu>

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## July 1

Celebrating RTU's 160th anniversary, several festive events are taking place:

- ceremonial reception of Rector Academician *Leonīds Ribickis*;

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/par-godu-rtu-160-jubilejai-studentu-pilsetina-kipsala-notiks-rektora-pienemsana>

- in the FCE building, an honorary plaque is unveiled for Polish professors and students who have significantly influenced the development of world science and technology, as well as public and political life; the Polish ambassador to Latvia *Monika Michaliszyn* takes part in the event;

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-godina-polijas-profesorus-un-studentus-kas-studejusi-un-stradajusi-rigas-politehnikuma>

- anniversary celebrations in *Mežaparks* together with the traditional RTU Grand Graduation.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/absolventu-cepuru-saluts-lielaja-izlaiduma-un-verienigs-koncerts-nosledz-rtu-160-jubilejas-svinibas>

## July 2

The fifth graduation of the RTU EHS is taking place in the RTU Student Campus in *Ķīpsala*.

<https://www.izv.lv/2022/07/rtu-inzenierzinatnu-vidusskolas-izlaidums-2022/>

## July 4

At the European Cheer Sports Championship, which takes place in Athens (Greece), the RTU Cheer Team «*RTU cheer*» wins the title of European Champion and a ticket to the World Championship, which will be held on 19–21 April 2023 in Orlando (USA).

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/sports/sporta-centra-jaunumi/atvert/rtu-karseju-komanda-klust-par-eiropas-cempioni>

## July 5

The Cabinet of Ministers decides, starting from 31 October, to reorganize the Latvian Maritime Academy, adding it to RTU as an autonomous structural unit that retains its name, identity, and traditions.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/ministru-kabinets-nolemj-latvijas-juras-akademiju-pievienot-rtu>

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### July 9–16

RTU EHS 11th-grade pupil *Alfrēds Saročinskis* receives a diploma of recognition at the International Mathematical Olympiad, which took place in Oslo, Norway.

### July 10–17

RTU EHS 11th-grade pupil *Lukass Roberts Kellijs* wins a bronze medal at the International Physics Olympiad (IPhO), which took place in a distance (online) in Zurich, Switzerland.

[https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/latvijas-skoleniem-starptautiskaja-fizikas-olimpiade-divas-bronzas-godalgas?fbclid=IwAR1AR\\_3JhhIO-FXxK7fmipkk16IHZVVIAHMZCO\\_f4WNA3qPnefHBfyaYRmQ](https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/latvijas-skoleniem-starptautiskaja-fizikas-olimpiade-divas-bronzas-godalgas?fbclid=IwAR1AR_3JhhIO-FXxK7fmipkk16IHZVVIAHMZCO_f4WNA3qPnefHBfyaYRmQ)

### July 10–18

RTU EHS 11th-grade pupil *Daniils Soško* wins a bronze medal at the 54th International Chemistry Olympiad, which is organized by China this year.

<https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/starptautiskaja-kimijas-olimpiade-latvijas-skoleniem-augsti-panakumi-iegutas-4-bronzas-medalas?fbclid=IwAR3sdbnYZKo3JtW1aL-50kLBUKXGcfDv6U14QbvpEnOwblLC-TxeSB9J60>

### July 11

RTU is visited by the spouses of Latvian Honorary Consuls, who meet with RTU management, visit laboratories, get acquainted with RTU, technical education in Latvia, and the achievements of RTU scientists.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/latvijas-goda-konsulu-dzivesbiedri-iepazistas-ar-rtu?fbclid=IwAR1FVfWcZIGi-dEjEwMR7bHKjqnYreW36XNalmEKuuj0tqI8NLHLYDsNfrg>

### July 11–18

RTU EHS 10th-grade pupil *Rūdis Freipičs* wins a silver medal in the International Geography Olympiad (IGeo), which takes place in distance (online) and is organized by France this year.

<https://www.visc.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/cetri-latvijas-skoleni-izcina-medalas-starptautiskaja-geografijas-olimpiade>

### July 20

The Secretary General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Rebecca Grynspan is visiting RTU.

<https://www.facebook.com/rigastehniskauniversitate/photos/pcb.8129677033738964/8129676837072317>

## July 21

RTU is visited by the President of the 76th session of the UN General Assembly, Abdulla Shahid. The guest learns about RTU's achievements in the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and visits several RTU laboratories, getting acquainted with the work of scientists.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/ano-generalas-asamblejas-prezidents-abdulla-sahids-viesojas-rtu?fbclid=IwAR00Hmb4WePKomgypeWx0fuQNxGQEZS7nvA60fln7upKFtFB2Gtcf152U>

## In July

In celebration of RTU's 160th anniversary, the music album «RTU dziesma 160» (RTU song 160) recorded by the collectives of the RTU Culture Centre was launched.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/klaja-laists-rtu-kulturas-kolektivu-ieskanotais-muzikas-albums-rtu-dziesma-160?fbclid=IwAR3xhhrDgTURk-7MnoIOnT3Kb-MU9u06hPdhZSMlzyfteE1cpYM10PsQI7g>

In the «Entrepreneurial Spirit» category of the international rating «World's Universities with Real Impact» (WURI), RTU ranks 36th, becoming the only Baltic university ranked among the 40 world universities with a strong entrepreneurial spirit. Overall, RTU ranks 101st–200th in the WURI ranking.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-vieniga-nobaltijas-ieklost-starp-pasaules-40-augstskolam-kuras-ir-specigs-uznemejdarbibas-gars>

RTU EHS takes 2nd place in the «Zvaigžņu reitings» (Star Rating) of the *Atis Kronvalds* Foundation, which evaluates the success of Latvian pupils in the international Olympiads held during the school year 2021/2022.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/rtu-ingenierzinatnu-vidusskola-ierindojas-2-vieta-ata-kronvalda-fonda-zvaigznu-reitinga>

## August 13–21

The international chess festival «RTU Open 2022» is being held 11 times in the International Exhibition Centre in *Kīpsala*, which gathers around 700 participants from more than 30 countries of the world. At the festival, Lithuanian chess grandmaster *Paulius Pultinevicius* reaps the laurels of victory.

[https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/starptautiskaja-saha-festivala-rtu-open-2022-uzvar-lietuvass-lielmeistars-paulius-pultinevicius?fbclid=IwAR1ZGxh\\_ZKdVNRuKDrB\\_0LuKQrXbZl590v9-wGVoxZTQMiqxvRgWW7tk8eY](https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/starptautiskaja-saha-festivala-rtu-open-2022-uzvar-lietuvass-lielmeistars-paulius-pultinevicius?fbclid=IwAR1ZGxh_ZKdVNRuKDrB_0LuKQrXbZl590v9-wGVoxZTQMiqxvRgWW7tk8eY)

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## August 24

The President of Latvia *Egils Levits* in the Riga Palace presents the traveling award «*Lielā pūce*» (Big Owl) to RTU EHS for the first place in the *Atis Kronvalds* Foundatio's rating of small schools and «*Mazā pūce*» (Little Owl) for the second place in the «*Zvaigžņu reitings*» (Star Rating), which evaluates the success of Latvian pupils in the international Olympiads of the academic year 2021/2022.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/valsts-prezidents-pasniedz-balvas-rtu-inzenierzinatnu-vidusskolai-apliecinot-tas-izcilibu-talantigu-skolenu-izglitosana>

Creative cooperation workshop «Think Un\*Common» is opened in the FA atrium, the mentors of which are six internationally recognized artists. French Ambassador to Latvia Mme *Aurélie Royet-Gounin*, German Ambassador to Latvia Christian Heldt and RTU Vice-Rector of Research *Tālis Juhna* take part in the opening event.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/ar-vestnieku-lidzdalibu-darbu-uzsak-radosas-sadarbibas-darbnica-think-un-common>

## August 24–25

During his visit to Latvia, the President of the Council of the European Centre for Nuclear Research (CERN) *Eliezer Rabinovici* also visits the RTU Student Campus in *Ķīpsala* and familiarizes himself with the academic environment of our university and the achievements of scientists.

<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/cern-padomes-prezidents-parliecinas-par-latvijas-sniegumu-dalinu-fizika-un-paatrinataju-tehnologijas?fbclid=IwAR0anY7X0s-SfrNHCfNUUSdLTqQDK2svly0-loIBxI21sMFbAQRTWcJg2p50>

## August 27

FEEM 2nd year student *Artūrs Rinkevičs* in a duet with *Rūdolfs Stankevičs* wins 2nd place in the «DEPO Open 2022» Latvian beach volleyball championship.

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### **August 31**

The opening event of the RTU Talents program is taking place, in which the patron of this program, the executive Vice-President of the European Commission and RTU graduate *Valdis Dombrovskis*, is taking part. In honour of RTU's 160th anniversary, *V. Dombrovskis* plants one of the planned 160 trees in the *Kīpsala* Student Campus.

*<https://www.rtu.lv/lv/universitate/masu-medijiem/zinas/atvert/treso-gadu-pek-kartas-rtu-talantu-programma-studijas-uzsak-izcilakie-latvijas-jauniesi>*