

INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2021 - “Engaged and Entrepreneurial University”*

April 12 – April 16, 2021

Valmiera, Latvia

Everyone who wants to take part in activities or deliver guest lectures are welcome to participate in the event

*during this week the following projects will implement their activities: Erasmus+ KA103 and KA107 projects, Erasmus+ KA2 project “Simulation Games in Strategic Communication”, Erasmus+ European University initiative “Engaged and Entrepreneurial European University as Driver for European Smart and Sustainable Regions (E³UDRES²)”, Next Generation Micro Cities of Europe (NextGen)

Date	Time, Place	Activity	ViA representatives/ Guest lecturers
April 12, Monday	11:00 -12:00	Welcome to ViA! <i>Introduction to the university, faculties and study fields, research areas (30 min), Erasmus+ European Universities alliance E3UDRES2 (10 min), library (10 min), virtual tour of ViA labs (10 min)</i>	Rector, Vice-Rectors, Study programs directors, IRO
	12:10 – 12:30 30 minute break	Welcome to Valmiera! <i>Short introduction to Valmiera</i>	Representatives of Valmiera Municipality
	13:00 – 13:50	Let’s meet faculty members! <i>Introduction to the faculty, panel discussion with the representatives of the faculty</i> 1) Faculty of Society and Science 2) Faculty of Engineering	Deans of faculty, study program directors, IRO
	20 minute break 14:10 – 15:00	Latvian Language and Culture Lecture. <i>Introductory lecture about Latvian culture and short course of Latvian language</i>	Lecturer Baiba Pāvule-Malnača
	15:00	Wonder.me networking event - https://www.wonder.me/r?id=eda86c1c-a3c8-49b6-8ed9-19033a143ecd Guest lectures: <i>TBD</i>	
April 13, Tuesday	11:00 - 13:00	Future Training and Exchange of Experience for Non-Academic Staff	Vice-Rector Iveta Putniņa
		Workshop on Support Services for Future Students and Academic Staff (representatives from student services, marketing, IRO, IT support, library, project departments are invited)	Dean of Faculty of Engineering Alvis Sokolovs , teachers, heads of departments, IRO

	15:00 - 17:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introductory presentations on future skills, design thinking, user-centred design 2) Introduction to the future sighting method “Janus Cones” 3) Breakout session and discussion in groups 4) Presentation of the results and exchange of experience on good practices <p>Workshop on Support Services for Future Researchers and Innovators (representatives from research institutes, marketing, IRO, IT support, library, project departments are invited)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introductory presentation on science communication, design thinking, user-centred design 2) Introduction to the future sighting method “Janus Cones” 3) Breakout session and discussion in groups 4) Presentation of the results and exchange of experience on good practices <p>Guest lectures: <i>TBD</i></p>	Rector Gatis Krūmiņš , directors of research institutes, researchers
April 14, Wednesday	11:00 - 15:00	<p>Social simulation as a pedagogical tool for increasing environmental awareness</p> <p>Guest lectures: <i>TBD</i></p>	Dean of Faculty of Society and Science Agnese Dāvidsone / Project team members
April 15, Thursday	<p>11:00 – 11:05</p> <p>11:05 - 11:50</p> <p><i>10 minute break</i></p> <p>12:00 - 12:50</p> <p><i>10 minute break</i></p> <p>13:00 - 14:00</p> <p>14:30 – 15:30</p>	<p>Workshop on Educational Technologies (EdTech)</p> <p>Welcome note</p> <p>Introduction to bachelor program “Information technologies”, ALC, vision</p> <p>Virtual reality tools in trainings</p> <p>Panel discussion on EdTech innovations in the NextGen project (moderated by Alvis Sokolovs)</p> <p>Closing panel</p>	<p>Dean of Faculty of Engineering Alvis Sokolovs Dāvis Ābols, Sarma Cakula, Kaspars Osis</p> <p>Study program “Virtual Reality and Smart Technologies” director Arnis Cīrulis</p> <p>Participating project partners - Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences, Ventspils University of Applied Sciences, Valmiera Vocational and Training School, Ventspils Vocational and Training School</p> <p>Administrative Vice-Rector Iveta Putniņa, Vice-Rector for Academic Work Maira Leščevica, Dean of Faculty of Society and Science Agnese Dāvidsone, Dean of Faculty of Engineering Alvis Sokolovs</p>

April 16, Friday		Guest lectures and individual meetings: <i>TBD</i>	
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