

The BUP Weekly

News and updates from the Programme



Dear BUP colleagues,

With the autumn semester just around the corner, we are pleased to look back at two fruitful events that took place in August. If you are interested in learning more, you can find the [event reports from the CoMaDe Science and Sail 2026 and the symposium on 'Sustainability Research and Teaching in a Time of Polycrisis' on the BUP website.](#)

There are still a few days left to register to attend the online course **'Introduction to ESD – Education for Sustainable Development'**. It is a chance to increase your knowledge about Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). The online course will provide you with an introduction and background to the field of ESD and how it is linked to transformative learning, learning for change, and sustainability competencies. The course runs between **15 September** and **7 December 2026**, and there are seven free places available for applicants from BUP participating universities. The deadline for applications is **8 September 2026**.

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- [Celebratory webinar 'Designing circular recovery: from safe materials to restored ecosystems'](#)

With best regards,
The Baltic University Programme's Coordinating Secretariat

News from the BUP secretariats

The BUP shares a call for registrations to attend the



Celebratory webinar 'Designing circular recovery: from safe materials to restored

ecosystems'

This webinar will explore how Safe and Sustainable by Design (SSbD) can guide the development of safer, circular, and bio-based materials. It will be held on **1 October** at 14 CEST, and participants are welcome to contribute with questions to broaden the discussion. This is the sixth webinar celebrating BUP's 35th anniversary in 2026, dedicated to sustainability and the ten BUP themes.



The webinar aims to bring together approaches for assessing chemicals and nanomaterials with innovations in recyclable biopolymers, bio-based plastics and next-generation textile chemistries.

The event will also highlight how these approaches can contribute to ecosystem and soil restoration, including in contexts affected by war, by linking material innovation with circularity, environmental safety and resilient recovery.

Webinar presentations:

- 'Safety and Sustainability Assessment of Chemicals and Nanomaterials', presenter is Dr. Ahmed Waqas at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU).
- 'Bio-based Plastics from Organic Waste: Soil-Regenerative Biopolymers and the Role of Safe-and-Sustainable-by-Design (SSbD)', presenter is Emma Strömberg at the IVL Swedish Environmental Research Institute.
- 'Towards the Next Generation of Safe, Circular and Bio-based Textiles: The TEX4GREEN Project', presenter is Dr. Jelena Barbir at Hamburg University of Applied Sciences.
- 'Safe, Circular and Bio-based Solutions for Recovery', presenter is Dr. Maria Fedoruk at Hamburg University of Applied Sciences.

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