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The 11th International Scientific Conference "Rural Development 2023" is dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the Vytautas Magnus University Agriculture Academy.

The 11th International Scientific Conference “Rural Development 2023” was the most effective bi-annual platform for the interdisciplinary scientific discussions and the presentations of new ideas for Sustainable Rural Development in the context of research and innovation for Bioeconomy. The Conference brings together scientists, practitioners, policy makers and actors from private sector around the world to share their experience helping countries to provide their citizens with a more competitive economy, more and better jobs and a better quality of life.

The topic of the Conference has allowed for the exploration of different aspects of four main areas:

- Agro-innovations and Food Technologies
- Biosystems Engineering and Environment Integrity
- Multifunctional Approach for Sustainable Use of Bio-Resources
- Social Research for Sustainable Bioeconomy and Climate Change.

The topic “Bioeconomy for the Green Deal” chosen for the 11th International Scientific Conference sparked strong interest among the professional and scientific community and elicited great response to the call for papers. The Proceedings include 52 peer-reviewed papers and contributions from 164 authors. In total we received 61 submissions for the Conference. A selection of papers are available in this volume. The majority of the contributed papers are included as are selected papers from the discussions sessions and have been peer reviewed by two experts.

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