

In 2019, the 'Startup UzhNU' innovation ideas competition saw the participation of students, postgraduates, and young researchers from 10 faculties: physical, mathematical, medical, economic, geographical, dental, engineering and technical, faculty of international economic relations, faculty of information technologies, and the faculty of tourism and international communications. After two qualifying stages, 7 projects out of 18 made it to the final evaluation: 'QRWaiter' – ordering food and drinks in cafes via QR code; 'The MoveON service' – creating a platform for drivers to automate essential processes in their interaction with specialists and services in the field of vehicle maintenance of various types; 'Ingrid' – a startup in the HoReCA industry, aiming to optimize and streamline processes in the restaurant business; 'Non-invasive attachment to mobile devices for measuring blood glucose concentration' – allows inputting data, processing, and displaying results on the mobile phone screen; 'Ecological products made from plant-based biomaterials' – the practical result involves the production of ecological products from, for example, corn, cereals, and food industry waste; 'Creating spatial models of objects in garden and park management in urbanized areas' – the startup aims for a more detailed visualization of the problems of such objects and their more successful subsequent reconstruction; 'DioMusic' – programming WS2812b Arduino LED strip. Students from the Faculty of Economics, Faculty of International Economic Relations, Engineering and Technical Faculty, Geographical Faculty, and Faculty of Information Technologies presented the projects.



The victory was achieved by Ivan Zub, a student of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, and Taras Gryadiil, a postgraduate student at the Department of Therapy and Family Medicine, for the project 'Ecological products made from plant-based biomaterials.'



The winners traveled to Sweden, in the city of Kalmar, to enhance environmental awareness and gain experience in implementing innovative solutions. The second places were shared by the projects QRWaiter and "Creating spatial models of objects in the garden-park economy in urbanized areas." Three third places were awarded to the projects DioMusic, The MoveON service, and "Ingrid."

It is also worth noting that the projects "MoveOn - a full range of services for servicing vehicles" and "Mobile app INGRID - an innovative service that optimizes and simplifies internal processes in the field of public catering" received funding under the Program to increase the competitiveness of the Transcarpathia region for 2019-2020. The winners were determined by the competition commission of the Department of Economic Development and Trade and the Regional Development Agency of Transcarpathia of the Transcarpathia Regional Council for business projects for novice entrepreneurs (startups).