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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**2016 – present** Associate professor (*docentas*) at Vilnius University, Institute of International Relations and Political Science (IIRPS), Lithuania.

**2016 – 2017** Fulbright scholar at Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University.

**2013 – 2016** Assistant professor/lecturer (*lektorius)* at Vilnius University, IIRPS.

**2013 – 2015** Postdoctoral fellow at Vilnius University, Faculty of Philosophy, Department of Sociology, Lithuania.

**2012** Lecturer (*asistentas)* at Vilnius University, IIRPS.

**EDUCATION**

**2008 – 2013** Vilnius University, IIRPS. PhD in Political Science. Title of the PhD dissertation “The Political Economy of Internal Adjustment in the Baltic Countries”.

**2006 – 2008** Vilnius University, IIRPS. MA in Comparative Politics.

**2003 – 2006** The Stockholm School of Economics in Riga, Latvia (SSE Riga). BSc Degree in Economics and Business Administration.

**PUBLICATIONS**

***Articles in ISI master journal list***

**2017** “Explaining National Preferences on the New European Banking Policy Framework: The Case of Lithuania” (co-authored with Marius Skuodis), *Journal of Baltic Studies*, forthcoming.

**2017** “Currency Boards, Depoliticization and Macroeconomic Stability: The Political Economy of Institutional Complementarities” (co-authored with Magnus Feldmann), *Policy Studies* 38 (4)*,* 356-374.

**2016**“Fiscal Policy Learning from Crisis: Comparative Analysis of the Baltic Countries” (co-authored with Ringa Raudla, Rainer Kattel, and Aleksandrs Cepilovs), *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis: Research and Practice*, published online, 1-16.

**2016** “Searching for historical analogies in political economy: the Baltic States and the classical gold standard regime”, *Journal of Baltic Studies* 47 (3), 287-299.

**2015** “Jingle bELLs and Struggling GIPS: Comparing the Baltic and the southern euro zone’s crisis experience using the varieties of capitalism framework”, *Acta Oeconomica* 65 (s1), 39-64.

**2015** “Fiscal consolidation and structural reforms in Lithuania in the period 2008-2012: from grand ambitions to hectic fire fighting” (co-authored with Vitalis Nakrošis and Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), *International Review of Administrative Sciences* 81 (3), 522-540.

**2015** “Cooperating Estonians and ‘Exiting’ Lithuanians: Trust in Times of Crisis”, *Post-Soviet Affairs* 31 (6), 557-575.

**2015** “Baltic States in World Markets: Does Katzenstein’s Framework Still Hold?”, *Journal of Baltic Studies* 46 (2), 109-126.

***Other peer-reviewed articles and book chapters in English***

**2017** “Economic Conditions and Tax Compliance: The Mediating Effect of Trust”, *Journal of Comparative Politics* 10 (2), 55-69.

**2016** “Race to the Euro: Why Latvia Joined Earlier Than Lithuania” (co-authored with Anastazija Markevičiūtė), *Baltic Journal of Political Science* 5 (5), 5-20.

**2014**“Lithuania’s Economic Diplomacy: Export Promotion and FDI Attraction”, (co-authored with Ringailė Kuokštytė), in Andris Sprūds and Karlis Bukovskis (eds.), *Economic Diplomacy of the Baltic States*. Latvian Institute of International Affairs/Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Riga, 115-131.

**2014** “The Politics of Reacting to the Crisis in Lithuania from 2008-2013: Exiting the Crisis, Entering Politics as Usual?” (co-authored with Ramūnas Vilpišauskas and Vitalis Nakrošis), in Karlis Bukovskis (ed.), *The Politics of Economic Sustainability: Baltic and Visegrad Responses to the European Economic Crisis*. Latvian Institute of International Affairs, Riga, 2014, 30-50.

**2011** “Which Variety of Capitalism Do the Baltic Countries Belong to?”, *EMECON* 1. An earlier version published as a book chapter: “Baltic Variety of Capitalism as an Explanation to the Success of Internal Devaluation”, in Leonid Kosals and Heiko Pleines (eds.), *Governance failure and reform attempts after the global economic crisis of 2008/2009. Case Studies from Central and Eastern Europe*. Changing Europe book series no. 9. Stuttgart: Ibidem Publishers, 2012, 13-28.

***Peer-reviewed articles and book chapters in Lithuanian***

**2017** “Pasitikėjimas teisine sistema VRE šalyse: statistinis tyrimas” (“Trust in the Legal System in CEE Countries: A Statistical Analysis”, co-authored with Donatas Dranseika), in Liutauras Gudžinskas (ed.), *Geras valdymas ir pasitikėjimas tvarkos institucijomis,* Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2017, 39-68.

**2017 “**Mokestinės moralės reikšmė, situacija Lietuvoje ir būdai ją pagerinti” (“Tax Morale’s Significance, Situation in Lithuania and Ways of Improving it”, co-authored with Romualdas Bakutis), in Liutauras Gudžinskas (ed.), *Geras valdymas ir pasitikėjimas tvarkos institucijomis,* Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2017, 183-230.

**2017** “Teorinė prieiga: valdymo kokybė, institucinis pasitikėjimas ir mokestinė moralė” (“Theory: Quality of Governance, Institutional Trust, and Tax Morale”, co-authored with Liutauras Gudžinskas, Romualdas Bakutis, and Vitalis Nakrošis), in Liutauras Gudžinskas (ed.), *Geras valdymas ir pasitikėjimas tvarkos institucijomis,* Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 2017, 9-38.

**2015** “Estijos, Lietuvos ir Argentinos valiutų valdybos modelių institucinė analizė” (“An Institutionalist Analysis of Currency Boards in Estonia, Lithuania and Argentina”, co-authored with Magnus Feldmann), *Politologija* 79 (3), 55-89.

**2015** “Lietuvos dalyvavimo Europos Sąjungoje politinė ekonomija: dešimties metų patirtis” (“The Political Economy of Lithuania’s Participation in the European Union: Ten Years’ Experience”), in Klaudijus Maniokas (ed.), *Pirmasis Lietuvos dešimtmetis Europos Sąjungoje: transformacija ar imitacija?*, Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, 70-102. An earlier and shorter version of the text published as an article: “Lietuvos narystė Europos Sąjungoje: ekonominė raida” (“Lithuania’s Membership in the European Union: Economic Development”), *Politologija* 76 (4), 2014, 93-123.

**2011** “Kodėl Baltijos šalys nedevalvavo valiutos: politinis požiūris” (“Why the Baltic Countries Chose Not to Devalue Their Currencies: The Political Perspective”), *Politologija* 63 (3), 57-86.

**2010** “Politika ir investuotojų pasitikėjimas: Baltijos šalys per krizę” (“Politics and Investor Confidence: Baltic States During the Crisis”), *Politologija* 60 (4), 59-95.

***Book reviews and other publications***

**2007-2017** Commentary in various media outlets on political and economic topics.

**2014** Review of Zenonas Norkus’ book “On Baltic Slovenia and Adriatic Lithuania”, *Politologija* 75 (3)*,* 139-144.

**2012** “L’ajustement à la crise selon les pays baltes: une perspective comparatiste” (co-authored with Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), *Outre Terre* 32 (2), 2012, 283-294.

**2011** Review of Anders Åslund’s book “The Last Shall Be the First: The East European Financial Crisis”, *Europe-Asia Studies* 63 (8), 2011, 1507-1509.

**2010** Review of Wolfgang Streeck’s book “Re-forming Capitalism: Continuity and Change in German Capitalism”, *Politologija* 59 (3), 2010, 125-133.

**2007** Economic Survey of Lithuania, *Lithuanian Free Market Institute (LFMI)*.

**2007** Economic Survey of Lithuania (co-authored with Daiva Kiršytė), *LFMI.*

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**2017** “Theoretical Lessons from Successful Internal Devaluation in the Baltics”, American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, August 31-September 3, San Francisco.

**2017** “What Can the Baltic Internal Devaluation Experience Teach Us About Broader Theories of Political Economy?”, Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) annual meeting, June 29-July 1, Lyon.

**2017** “Exploring the Aggregate and Conditional Effect of Manufacturing on Exchange Rates in OECD Countries”, SASE annual meeting, June 29-July 1, Lyon.

**2017** “Manufacturing and Exchange Rate Choices in Developed Countries”, European Political Science Association (EPSA) Conference, June 22-24, Milan.

**2016** “Mokestinės moralės reikšmė, situacija Lietuvoje ir būdai ją pagerinti” (“The Importance of Tax Morale, its Situation in Lithuania, and Ways of Improving it”) (co-authored with Romualdas Bakutis),Lithuanian Annual Conference of Political Science, November 25, Vilnius.

**2016** “Trust and Taxation: Why Legitimacy Matters More During Crises”, IPSA World Congress, July 23-28, Poznan, Poland.

**2016** “Race to the Euro: Why Latvia Joined Earlier Than Lithuania” (co-authored with Anastazija Markevičiūtė), 8th Pan-European Conference on the European Union, June 16-18, Trento, Italy. Also presented at the 22nd International Conference of Europeanists, July 8-10, Paris.

**2015** “The Conditional Effect of Political Trust on Tax Compliance”, EPSA Annual General Conference, June 25-27, Vienna.

**2015** “The Political Economy of Currency Boards and the Crisis in Central and Eastern Europe,” (co-authored with Magnus Feldmann), 22nd International Conference of Europeanists, July 8-10, Paris.

**2015** “Explaining National Preferences on the New European Banking Policy Framework: The Case of Lithuania” (co-authored with Marius Skuodis), 22nd International Conference of Europeanists, July 8-10, Paris.

**2015** “The Conditional Effect of Political Trust on Tax Compliance”, ECPR Joint Sessions, March 29-April 2, Warsaw.

**2014** “Adjustment to the Crisis in Lithuania: A Model Success Story or a Basket Case?”, *Debatte* journal conference, November 22-24, Warsaw.

**2014** “The Political Economy of Currency Boards in Comparative Perspective” (co-authored with Magnus Feldmann), APSA Annual Meeting, August 28-30, Washington, DC.

**2014** “Jingle bELLs and Struggling GIPS: Comparing the Baltic and Southern European Crisis Experience”, 7th Pan-European conference the European Union, June 5-7, the Hague.

**2014** “Cooperating Estonians and ‘Exiting’ Lithuanians: Trust in Times of Crisis”, ECPR Research Sessions, April 10-15, Salamanca, Spain.

**2013** “Politinio pasitikėjimo aiškinimas” (“Explanation of Political Trust”) (co-authored with Mažvydas Jastramskis), Lithuanian Annual Conference of Political Science, November 22, Vilnius.

**2013** “National responses to the financial and economic crisis: how relevant is the experience of the Baltic States to Southern EU members?” (co-authored with Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), SPERI Annual Conference, July 1-2, Sheffield, UK.

**2013** “Fiscal Consolidation in Lithuania in the Period of 2008-2012: From Grand Ambitions to Hectic Firefighting?” (co-authored with Vitalis Nakrošis and Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), Halduskultuur-Administrative Culture conference, May 3-4, Tallinn.

**2012** “Trust and Taxes: Estonian and Lithuanian Fiscal Performance During the Crisis”, APSA Annual Meeting, August 29-September 2, New Orleans.

**2012** “Fiscal consolidation during the Great Recession: the case of Lithuania” (co-authored with Vitalis Nakrošis and Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), XVI IRSPM conference, April 11-13, Rome.

**2011** “Applying Katzenstein's Framework to the Baltic States”, ECPR Annual conference, August 25-27, Reykjavik.

**2011 “**Trust and Taxes: Explaining Estonia's Fiscal Success”, 17th Annual Conference of the Hungarian Political Science Association, May 20-21, Budapest.

**2010** “Economic Adjustment to the Crisis in the Baltic States in Comparative Perspective” (co-authored with Ramūnas Vilpišauskas), European Standing Group on International Relations (SGIR), September 9-11, Stockholm. Also presented at the Central European Political Science Association (CEPSA) Annual Conference, October 10, Bratislava.

**RESEARCH VISITS**

**2016 Sep-2017 Jan** Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs. Host: Jeffry Frieden.

**2016 Feb-Mar** Tbilisi State University, Georgia.

**2015 Oct-Nov** University College London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES).

**2014 Dec-2015 Feb** University of Zurich, Department of Political Science. Host: Stefanie Walter.

**2014 May** University College London, SSEES. Host: Allan Sikk.

**2014 Jan** European University Institute. Host: Laszlo Bruszt.

**2013 Nov-Dec** Bristol University, SPAIS. Host: Magnus Feldmann.

**2012 Jan-May** Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. Host: Terry Clark.

**2011 Jan** Tallinn Technical University, Estonia. Host: Rainer Kattel.

**2010 Oct-Nov** Central European University, Budapest, Hungary.

**2010 Jul-Sep** Baltic International Centre for Economic and Policy Studies (BICEPS) in Riga, Latvia.

**2010 Jun** Tartu University, Estonia.

**TEACHING**

***Undegraduate***

**2017-18** International Economics/International Political Economy, main lecturer.

**2013-16** Policy Analysis, main lecturer in 2013-15, co-lecturer in 2016.

**2013-16** Introductory Economics, co-lecturer.

**2011** Classical Political Texts, co-lecturer.

**2010-18** Bachelor thesis writing seminars, co-lecturer.

***Graduate***

**2014-15, 2017** Methodology course, co-lecturer.

**2011-18** European Union Master’s program colloquium, co-lecturer.

***Other***

**2016** Small States summer school, Reykjavik, Iceland.

**2015-2017** Lectures on globalization for high-school students in Young Political Scientists’ school (*Jaunųjų politologų mokykla*).

**GRANTS, AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

**2016** Fulbright scholar award.

**2016** Lithuanian Political Science Association award for the best annual publication in political science in 2015.

**2015** Vilnius University’s Rector’s award for the best young scientists.

**2015** Selected into the reserve list of applicants to the Max Weber program at European University Institute.

**2014** Vilnius University’s Rector’s award for the best lecturer of the year.

**2014** Lithuanian Political Science Association award for the best annual publication in political science in 2014.

**2013** Lithuanian Research Council postdoctoral grant.

**2012** Lithuanian Research Council stipend for achievements in PhD studies.

**2011** Creighton University scholarship.

**2010** Lithuanian Research Council grant for a research stay at Central European University.

**2010** Lithuanian Research Exchange Foundation grant for research in Estonia.

**PARTICIPATION IN ACADEMIC PROJECTS**

**2015 – 2017** Project analyzing trust in institutions in Lithuania, led by Liutauras Gudžinskas (Vilnius University).

**2015 – 2016** Project comparing economic policy ideas in Baltic Ministries of Finance, led by Ringa Raudla (Tallinn Technical University).

**2013 – 2015** Project analyzing Europeanization of Lithuania, led by Klaudijus Maniokas (Vilnius University).

**2013** Project analyzing European fiscal consolidation experiences during the global financial crisis, led by Tiina Randma-Liiv (Tallinn Technical University) and Walter Kickert (Erasmus University Rotterdam).

**NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE**

**2008 – 2009** Participation in a research project for the Center for Strategic Studies. The topic: “The Economic Security System in Lithuania”.

**2008** Participation in consulting projects for McKinsey & Company, Warsaw Office.

**2008** Research assistant to Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Mark Schoofs of the Wall Street Journal.

**2007** Policy analyst at the Lithuanian Free Market Institute. Head of semi-annual survey of the Lithuanian Economy.

**2006** Participation in a consulting project for the company Center for Organization Development.

**2005** Internship at the World Bank.

**2004** Internship at the Bank of Lithuania.

**SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

Reviewer for *Journal of Baltic Studies, Administrative-Culture, Baltic Journal of Political Science, Politologija.*

**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING/COURSES**

**2016 Sep-Dec** Harvard University, audited courses in econometrics and quantitative methods.

**2012 Jun-Aug** European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Summer School. Course in Political Game Theory.

**2011 Jan-May** Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska.Training in mathematical and formal methods for social science.

**2010 Jan-Apr** Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary. Courses taken in the fields of Research Design, Political Economy, EU Integration and Governance.

**2009** American Institute on Political and Economic Systems (AIPES). Courses in Law and Economics.

**LANGUAGES** Lithuanian (native), English (full professional proficiency), Russian (professional working proficiency), French (limited working proficiency), Latvian, German (elementary).

**STATISTICAL PROGRAMS**

R and Stata.