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Academic Positions	Associate professor, Vilnius University IIRPS	since 2016
	Associate professor, Lithuanian Military academy	since 2015
Education	Vilnius University Ph.D., Political Science M.A., Political Science B.A., Political Science Dissertation: <i>Military as the Forgotten Dimension of Political Theory</i> (dissertation language – English) Glasgow University M. Litt., War Studies (distinction)	2012 2006 2004 2008
Publications	Monographs 2016. Šlekys D., <i>Military Thought and its Evolution in Lithuania since 1990</i> . Vilnius: Lithuanian Military Academy press (in Lithuanian). Book chapters 2020. Šlekys, D., “Lithuanian Military Transformation and Changing Efficiency of Defence” kn. Giedrius Česnakas, Nortautas Statkus, sud., <i>Lithuania in the Global Context: National Security and Defence Policy Dilemmas</i> , The General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania, p. 303-319. 2014. Šlekys, D., “Historical narrative of Grand Duchy of Lithuania and its relationship with political identity” in <i>Assumptions and Contradictions of Historical Memory Discourse</i> . A. Jokubaitis and all. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, pp. 114-163 (in Lithuanian). 2007. Šlekys, D., „The Changing Nature of the War and Its Impact to the Lithuania’s Efforts in the International Fight Against Terrorism“ in <i>Analysis of Challenges to Lithuania Caused by the International Fight Against Terrorism</i> . Ed. by E. Račius. Vilnius: Vilniaus universiteto leidykla, pp. 48-66 (in Lithuanian). 2003. Šlekys, D., „War as a Contact“ in <i>Seminarai 2002. Atviros visuomenės kolegija</i> . Ed. by A. Jokubaitis ir T. Sodeika. Vilnius: Strofa, pp. 53-66 (in Lithuanian). Academic articles 2017. Šlekys, D. „Lithuania’s Balancing Act“, <i>Journal on Baltic Security</i> , 3(2), pp. 43–54. 2015. Šlekys, D., “Searching for reflective armed forces: A Lithuanian Civil-Military Relations Perspective”, <i>Lithuanian Annual Strategic Review 2014-15</i> , pp. 215-244 (in Lithuanian and English).	

Works in Progress

2008. Šlekys, D., More Than Semantics: The Difference between the Concepts of “Military Revolution” and “Revolution in Military Affairs” in *Lithuanian Political Science Yearbook 2007*. Vilnius: Vilnius university press.

2008. Šlekys, D., „The Importance and Anxiety of the American Way of War“ in *Lithuanian Annual Strategic Review 2007*, pp. 25 – 47 (in Lithuanian, English).

Book reviews

2008. Šlekys, D., „Kaip piratai padėjo kurti valstybę“ knygos Janice E. Thomson Samdiniai, piratai ir suverenai: valstybės kūrimasis ir eksteritorinė prievarta ankstyvojoje modernioje Europoje recenzija. *Politologija*, 2008/2 (50), p.p. 111-118.

Policy papers

2020. Šlekys, D. et all (2020), “Baltics Left of Bang: Comprehensive Defense in the Baltic States”, *Strategic Forum*, Is. 307. National Defence University.

Magazine articles

2015. Šlekys, D., „Two Understandings of War“. *Naujasis Židinys – Aidai*, 4, pp. 22-28.

Monograph

Forthcoming. Šlekys, D. et all, *Total defence in Baltic states*. Collective monograph. Strategic Studies Institute, US Army War College (publishing date: Fall 2021).

Forthcoming. Šlekys, D., *Professor. Mapping ideas of Zbigniew Brzezinski*. Research study. (publishing date: Summer 2021).

Forthcoming. Šlekys, D., *Face of War* veidas, monograph (publishing date: Fall 2021).

Book chapter

Forthcoming. Šlekys, D., “Lithuania: The Military’s Loud Political Silence „ in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of the Military in Politics*, William R. Thompson (ed.) (Under the contract with Oxford University Press; publishing date, July 2020)

Awards and Fellowships

2020. Fulbright Visiting Scholar, The Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University.

2016. Lithuanian Political Science Association award for the best academic monograph of the year.

2016. Best Faculty Lecturer of the Year, IIRS.

2013-14. Visiting Research Fellow, Changing Character of War Programme, Oxford University.

2014. Best Lecturer of the Year, Lithuanian Military Academy.

2013-15. Postdoctoral Fellowship, The Lithuanian Research Council

2013. Participant, The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University (June 17-28).

2011. Fellow, The West Point Summer Seminar in Military History (June 15 – July 1).

External Grants

- 2010. Best Faculty Lecturer of the Year, IIRS.
- 2007-8. Studies Scholarship, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office Chevening.
- 2001-3. Studies Scholarship, Invisible college – Lithuania (Vilnius), George Soros foundation, War Studies.
- 2016-18. “Perception of war in interwar Lithuania”, project manager (Vilnius university). Funding – Lithuania Research Council.
- 2017-18. “Implementation of military-strategic tasks in the tactical units of Lithuania armed forces”, within the framework of the project “The Promotion of Students’ Research Activities“, project manager (Vilnius university). Funding – Lithuanian Research Council.
- 2015-16. “Challenges of Russian military reform”, project manager (Vilnius university). Funding – Lithuanian Research Council.
- 2013-15. “Military Thought and its Evolution in Lithuania since 1990”, postdoctoral research at Lithuanian Military Academy. Funding – Lithuanian Research Council;
- 2012-14. „The politics of history as a source of geopolitical and geocultural identity“, junior researcher (Vilnius university). Funding – Lithuanian Research Council;
- 2012-13. „Development of civil - military relationships in Lithuania (1990 - 2010)“, project manager (Vilnius University). Funding – Lithuanian Research Council.
- 2009-10. PhD Student Grant, Lithuanian Science and Studies Foundation

Teaching

Vilnius University, IIRPS.

Since 2007. Undergraduate courses: Military Sociology, War Studies, History of International Relations, Security Studies Introduction.

Since 2012. Master courses: Theories of the State, History and Theory of Diplomacy.

Former courses: American way of war (2009-2011); Modern Military History and Theory since (2010-2011).

Lithuanian Military Academy.

Since 2008. Undergraduate courses: Military Theory.

Since 2013. Master courses: War Studies.

Since 2014. Various modules in Lithuanian Professional military education programs.

Former courses: Military History since 1800 (2015-2016); Security Studies Introduction (2015).

Work Experience

IIRPS, Vilnius university.

Lecturer, 2007 – 2016.

Head of Studies Department, 2008-2012.

Invited Presentations

Lithuanian military academy.

Lecturer, 2008-2015

National Television and Radio

Reporter, 2006-2007.

Ministry of National Defence of Lithuania.

Senior Executive Officer, Policy and Planning Department, Defence Policy Division, 2005-2006.

2019, April 9-11, "Small States and the New Security Environment (SSANSE)", The Civil-Military Interaction Seminar, Baltic Defence College, Tartu.

2019, March 20-21, "Lithuanian armed forces since 2014", Baltic Military Conference 2019, Lithuanian Military Academy, Vilnius.

2018, November 16, "Lithuanian defence traditions", Lithuanian Riflemen's Union conference "Total Defence – is it still relevant?"

2018, March 12, "Historical Overview of the Suwalki Corridor", U.S.- Poland-Lithuania Roundtable, Ministry of National Defence of Lithuania, Vilnius.

2017, May 12, „Does total defence has limits“, Seminar of Defence Politics, Ministry of National Defence of Lithuania, Vilnius;

2015, November 5, „The Perspective from the Baltic“, "Nordic-Baltic Defence: Planning Ahead" seminar, Oxford university

2015, August 25, „What kind of military vision we need?, Seminar of Defence Politics, Ministry of National Defence of Lithuania, Vilnius;

2014, October 28, „Command and Control in the Russian operations“, Russia study day, Oxford University.

2014, November 25, „The Russian-Ukrainian War: Challenges for Military Policy in the Baltic States“, Lunchtime Seminars on the Changing Character of War, Oxford University

2014, May 29, „Does Lithuania ready to fight in 21st century?", Seminar of Defence Politics, Ministry of National Defence of Lithuania, Vilnius.

2014, February 11, „Searching for Reflective Armed Forces: A Lithuanian Civil-Military Relations Perspective“, Lunchtime Seminars on the Changing Character of War, Oxford University.

Conference Presentations

2020, September 3-5. Conference "War and Women", Nida, Klaipėda university, paper "Amazon war studies".

2019, November 8-10. The Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Conference 2017, Washington, paper "Dangerous liaison: the idea of citizen-soldier and contentious civil-military relations in Lithuania".

2019, September 5-7. Conference "Faces of War", Nida, Klaipėda university, paper "From Spectacles of War to War Space".

2019, June 26-28. Changing Character of War Centre, Oxford University conference "The Conduct of War: Past, Present and Future", paper "Lithuanian Way of Defence: Challenging Merger of Blitzkrieg and Alamo".

2019, May 9-12. Society for Military History Conference, The Ohio State

Professional Service

Skills

University, Columbus, paper “From peasants to warriors: Lithuanian intellectual reflections as a war coping mechanism “.

2019, February 21-22. International symposium “Weaponized Volunteering: New Configurations Between Civil Society and Armed Organizations”, Amsterdam University, paper “Making defence everybody’s business: uneasy revival of total defence idea in Lithuania”.

2018, August 22-25. European Consortium for Political Research 2018 General conference, Hamburg, paper “Defence Politics and Reshaping of the Lithuanian Semi-Presidential Regime”.

2018, June 14-15. Second World War Research Group Annual Conference 'The Peoples' War? The Second World War in Socio-Political Perspective', paper “The Second World War as uncharted waters of Lithuanian history”.

2018, June 1-3, AABS Conference, Stanford University, paper “Development of Lithuanian Military Thought under the Shadow of “Copy-Paste” Culture”.

2018, April 13-15, BASEES 2018 Annual Conference, University of Cambridge, paper “Seduced by transnational norms: irrationality of Lithuanian defence politics”.

2017, November 2-5, The Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Conference 2017, Washington, paper “When geopolitics trumps postmodernism: return of conscription in Lithuania” (co- author, Simona Vapsvaitė).

2017, September 6-10, European Consortium for Political Research 2017 General conference, Oslo, paper “Perceptions of war”.

2015, October 30-November 1, The Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society conference, Chicago, USA, paper “Searching for reflective Armed Forces: A Lithuanian Civil - Military Relations Perspective”.

2015, September 25-26, The 20th Annual conference of Central European political science association, „Security Architecture in CEE: Present Threats and Prospects for Cooperation“, 2015, Vilnius, Lithuania, paper „Understanding war and conceptual cleavage within NATO“

2015, August 26-29, European Consortium for Political Research 2015 General conference, Montreal, paper “State and war dialectics”.

2013, October 25-27, The Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Conference 2013, Chicago, paper „ Definition of Power and Dilemma of Civil-Military Relations “.

2013, March 14-17, Society for Military History Conference 2013, New Orleans, paper “Lithuanian Historical Memory and the Tradition of Primacy of Foreign Policy”.

2011, October 21-23, The Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Conference 2011, Chicago, paper „Military as the Forgotten Dimension of Social Theory “;

Member of Central Commission on Academic Ethics of Vilnius University.

Chairman of Commission for Dispute Resolution, IIRPS.

Member of Council, IIRPS.

Languages: English (fluent), Russian (intermediate), Lithuanian (native).