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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2015 October – 2020 October: PhD in Political Science, Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Lithuania. Dissertation title: “Poland’s Relations with Russia 2001-2013: Attempts at Normalisation.” Dissertation’s academic supervisor: prof. Tomas Janeliūnas. The dissertation was defended on the 23rd of October 2020.

2012 – 2014: MA International Relations and Diplomacy, Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Lithuania. Master Thesis: “Russia's Foreign Policy Towards Poland in 2007-2013: Reasons for Improving Relations”.

2011 May: DELE Diploma of Spanish as a Foreign Language, Level: B2.

2009 – 2012: BSc Economics, Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick, UK with Honours – 2:1. Dissertation title: “To what extent has post-Soviet Russia’s foreign policy since 2000 been influenced by theories of Eurasianism?”

2005 – 2009: Brandos atestatas: Vilnius Lyceum, Lithuania.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022: The National Independence Grant, Lithuania’s Parliament – Seimas. Project: Latvia’s, Poland’s and Lithuania’s policy towards Belarus 2014-2023: a comparative analysis.

RESEARCH STAYS

2018 October – 2019 March: PhD research stay at the Institute of Political Science and International Relations of the Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland.

2017 October – 2018 February: PhD research stay at Warsaw’s university’s Centre for East European Studies, Poland.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2022 July – 2023 January: Thematic leader on foreign and security policy for the “Lithuania 2050” strategy, Government’s Centre for Strategic Analysis

2016 September – 2017 August: European Humanities University Media Hub coordinator

2016 February – present: Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science, teaching assistant.

2015 July – 2019 April: columnist at newspaper “Lietuvos Žinios”.

2011 June – July: internship in Centre for Eastern Studies, Warsaw, Poland.

2010 August-September: internship at Eastern Europe Studies Centre, Vilnius, Lithuania.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

2024 May – 2025 May: project “Future Studies”, call for Interdisciplinary Individual Studies Course funded by Vilnius University, in cooperation with Erika Vaiginienė, Jonas Dagys, Egidijus Rimkus, Linas Butėnas.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

“A New Perspective on Poland’s Policy towards Russia in 2005–2007: a Middle Power Attempts to Engage a Rising Major Power.” *Politics In Central Europe*, 1(17), 2021, 1-28

“Studies in Poland’s Foreign Policy: the case of Poland–Russia Relations.” *Warsaw East European Review*, 8, 2018, 123-133.

“To what extent has Russia’s foreign policy since 2000 been influenced by Eurasianism?”. *Lithuanian Foreign Policy Review*, 30/2013, 11-41.

CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS

“Is it time to renegotiate the Polish-Lithuanian Treaty?” in Aleksandra Kuczyńska-Zonik and Andrzej Pukszto (eds.), *Unique Treaty. Relations between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Lithuania (1994-2024)*. Lublin: Instytut Europy Środkowej, 2024, 169-180.

PAPERS GIVEN

May 2024 – ‘Is it time to renegotiate the Polish-Lithuanian Treaty,’ The Polish Annual Conference of the Association of Lithuanian Poles Scientists “The place of Lithuania and Poland in the processes of regional and Euroatlantic integration (disintegration) – progress, challenges, prospects,” Vilnius, Lithuania.

September 2023 - ‘Small state and middle power cooperation? The comparative analysis of Latvia’s, Lithuania’s and Poland’s policies towards Belarus after 2020,’ Workshop “Europe in an Uncertain World: Openness, Resilience and Vulnerabilities of Small States and Middle Powers, Institute of International Economic Relations, Athens, Greece.

December 2022 – ‘Pull Lukashenko away from Russia? A comparative analysis of Lithuania’s, Latvia’s and Poland’s foreign policies towards Belarus in 2014-2020,’ Lithuania’s annual political science conference, Vilnius, Lithuania.

September 2022 – ‘Small state and middle power cooperation? The comparative analysis of Latvia’s, Lithuania’s and Poland’s policies towards Belarus after 2020,’ 15th Pan-European Conference on International Relations “Pandemonium: Interrogating the Apocalyptic Imaginaries of Our Time,” European International Studies Association, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens, Greece.

June 2022 – ‘A comparative analysis of Poland's, Lithuania's and Latvia's diplomatic engagement with Belarus in 2014-2020,’ 26th Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association “Democracy after Coronavirus: Facing New Political Reality,” Central European Political Science Association, Slovenian Political Science Association, University of Ljubljana Faculty of Social Sciences, Bled, Slovenia.

November 2021 – ‘The rise of transnational actors in Polish-Lithuanian relations,’ 25th Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association “Challenges to Democracy: Political Processes in Central and Eastern Europe,” Central European Political Science Association, Polish Political Science Association, University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, Olsztyn, Poland.

October 2021 – ‘The Belarusian Political Crisis: an Instance of Poland’s Foreign Policy’s Failure?’, International Conference “Belarus 2020 and beyond: Path Dependency or Break with the Past?”, Vilnius University’s Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius, Lithuania.

June 2018 – ‘Poland’s Policy towards Russia in 2005-2007 under the Rule of Law and Justice Party: Attempts at Engagement,’ Third Annual Tartu Conference on Russian and East European Studies, University of Tartu, Tartu, Estonia.

July 2017 – ‘Studies in Poland’s Foreign Policy: the case of Poland-Russia relations,’ Warsaw East European Conference, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland,

September 2016 – ‘Poland’s policy towards Belarus: any chances for cooperation with Lithuania?’, Dynamics of Lithuanian-Polish Relations: The Dimensions of Security and Identity. Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania.

BOOK REVIEWS

Mariusz Antonowicz, “Tomas Janeliūnas: *Foreign Policy Analysis of a Baltic State: Lithuania and the ‘Grybauskaitė Doctrine’*”, Routledge, 2021, 242 s.” *Polski Przegląd Dyplomatyczny*, nr. 4(87), 2021, 183-185

Mariusz Antonowicz, „Vladas Sirutavičius : *Lietuviai ir Lietuvos lenkai, Lietuva ir Lenkija. 1988-1994 metais* [Litwini i Polacy na Litwie, Litwa a Polska w latach 1988-1994], Lietuvos istorijos institutas, 2017, 488 s.“ *Polski Przegląd Dyplomatyczny*, nr. 3(78), 2019, 164-168.

PUBLIC LECTURES GIVEN

‘Lithuania’s Eastern policy,’ Jagiellonian Univeristy, Cracow, Poland, 18 April 2023

‘Lithuania’s relations with great powers,’ Cracow, Poland, 18 April 2023

‘What would Henry Kissinger advise for Lithuania?’, Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science and Young Conservative league, Vilnius, 27 April 2017.

CONFERENCES AND LECTURES ORGANISED

‘The Three Seas Initiative: One concept, Different Approaches?’, Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, The Three Seas Initiative Research Centre Institute of Political Studies Polish Academy of Sciences, University of Lodz, Vilnius, 10 April 2024.

‘The Three Seas Initiative: Transport, energy and Digital Infrastructure Development as a step to strengthen the region’s resilience,’ Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science and the Institute of Political Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Vilnius, 22 November 2023.

‘Focus on V4: Seminar about Visegrad Group co-operation,’ Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science and Polish Institute in Vilnius, Vilnius, 10 May 2017.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Relations Theories, Foreign policy analysis; Diplomatic Studies; Lithuania's foreign policy; Poland's foreign policy; Middle Powers.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Association of Polish Scientists in Lithuania
- Lithuanian Catholic Academy of Science
- Polish International Studies Association

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate

2022-2023 Polish Studies, Vilnius University's Institute of International Relations and Political Science in collaboration with the Polish Institute in Vilnius.

2020-2023 Organisation of Diplomacy, Vilnius University's Institute of International Relations and Political Science.

Undergraduate

2021-2024 Undergraduate final thesis seminar, Vilnius University's Institute of International Relations and Political Science.

2019-2023, 2016-2017 Theories of International Relations, Vilnius University's Institute of International Relations and Political Science.

2020-2024 Introduction to Security Studies, Vilnius University's Institute of International Relations and Political Science.

2019 Comparative Politics, European Humanities University.

REPORTS

"Report on the possibilities of solving geopolitical and security challenges," with Justinas Mickus, Lithuania's Government's Centre for Strategic Analysis, 2023-03-09. URL: <https://lrv.lt/uploads/main/documents/files/2023%2003%2009%20LT2050%20tema%20C4%20geopolitikos%20ataskaita.pdf?fbclid=IwAR3OCGLjvHr16kfnLq7QQyWZJxbVDI9q24IElOsofvoUkUvc6BDsaX7Lok4>

POLICY PAPERS

"Visions of Polish-Lithuanian regional cooperation – are they (in)compatible?", *Eastern Europe Studies Centre*, Vilnius, Lithuania, 2021-10-28. <https://www.eesc.lt/en/2021/10/28/visions-of-polish-lithuanian-regional-cooperation-are-they-incompatible/>

"The Visegrad Countries and Russia: how to respond to new challenges?", *Visegradplus.org*, 2015-01-20.

Vytautas Mikulėnas, Linas Mickus, Šarūnas Steckis (co-authors), "Energy Cooperation between Lithuania and Poland: the Polish perspective", *Visegradplus.org*, 2014-10-02.

"The political project of the Baltic nuclear power plant". *Baltic Rim Economies*, 4/2012, p.36.

“The Baltic Nuclear Power Plant in Kaliningrad district – dim prospects without export markets”, *geopolitika.lt*, 2011-08-03.

OTHER, NON-PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“The loss of the Polish party in the mayor elections of Vilnius Region” (Lithuanian), *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai*, Nr. 3, 2023, pp. 61-63

“If Ukraine falls, Lithuania will be next” (Polish), *Więź*, nr 2 [688], 2022, 85-92.

“Pogoń or Pensive Christ? Lithuania's eastern policy” (Polish), *Nowa Europa Wschodnia*, nr. 3, 2020.

“Polish-Lithuanian Relations in the Year 2050,” *Obieg*, nr. 9, 2018. URL: <https://obieg.pl/en/132-polish-lithuanian-relations-in-the-year-2050>

“The myth of Estonian Eldorado and one political science conference” (Lithuanian), *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai*, Nr. 5, 2018, 60-61.

“The inconvenient testimony of Józef Mackiewicz for contemporary Lithuania” (Lithuanian), *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai*, Nr. 1, 2016, pp.

“Qua Vadis Wileńszczyzna?” (Lithuanian), *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai*, Nr. 5, 2015, pp. 15-23.

“Jogaila” in Mantas Adomėnas, ed., “Lithuania’s history’s heroes” (Lithuanian), Vilnius: Institute of Democratic Politics, 2015, pp. 45-54

“To affect the state through word” (Lithuanian), *Post Scriptum*, Nr. 24, 2015, pp. 10-11.

“Poland’s return to unpleasant normality” (Lithuanian), *Naujasis Židinys-Aidai*, Nr. 7, 2014, pp. 65-67.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSIONS, ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

April 2024 – presentation “Solutions to the dilemma of the Polish minority” in the conference dedicated to the anniversary of the Treaty of Amity and Good Neighbourly Cooperation between Lithuania and Poland, Lithuanian Historical Institute, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, Trakai History Museum, Vilnius District Municipality, Medininkai, Lithuania.

March 2024 – presentation “Lithuania, Latvia, and Poland’s Policy towards Belarus and what we can do about the independence of Belarus,” Eastern Europe Studies Centre, Vilnius, Lithuania.

February 2024 – participation in a discussion “Is there hope for Belarus?,” Jan Nowak Jeziorański College of Eastern Europe, Wrocław, Poland.

February 2024 – participation in “EESC meeting with German army officers”, Eastern Europe Studies Centre, Vilnius, Lithuania.

November 2023 – presentation “Lithuania’s friendships: from Bucharest to Vilnius” at the conference “The right mind. Thinking that creates Lithuania,” Institute of European Right, Vilnius, Lithuania.

October 2023 – presentation “An overview of Poland’s election results,” Institute of European Right, Vilnius, Lithuania.

June 2023 – participation in roundtable discussion “Baltic States, the Baltic Sea Region, and New Security Challenges in Flux” organised by the Institute of Central Europe at the 15th Conference on Baltic Studies in Europe (CBSE) “Turning points: Values and Conflicting Futures in the Baltics,” Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania.

June 2023 – presentation “Poland’s foreign and security policy,” Institute of European Right, Trakai, Lithuania.

December 2022 – participation in a discussion “2023. World tendencies and national security. Insights. Challenges. Scenarios.” Lithuania’s Martynas Mažvydas National Library, Republic of Lithuania parliament’s committee for the future.

September 2022 – participation in a discussion “European and world architecture after the war: is it time to rethink world order?” Study weekend “Peace in the 21st century” Lithuania’s catholic scientific academy, Liškiava, Lithuania.

September 2022 – participation in a panel “A multicultural society: from acknowledgement to empowerment,” conference “Do we see non-Lithuanian speakers in Lithuania’s history and its development?, Lithuania’s National Museum, Institute for Educational Research and Innovation, Vilnius, Lithuania.

June 2022 – participation in a discussion “Russian-Ukrainian war repercussions: Ukrainian and Lithuanian perspectives,” Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, online.

April 2022 – participation in a panel “Implications of the war in Ukraine on Eastern Partnership countries,” Analytical Centre on Globalisation and Regional Cooperation, Yerevan, Armenia.

November 2021 – presentation “How to create a development strategy for Polish communities beyond the country’s borders: reflections based on the report ‘Vilnius Region 2040’,” Central European Polonia Forum, Instytut Andersa, Lublin, Poland.

November 2021 – “Eight Lithuanian-Polish Roundtable,” Eastern Europe Studies Centre, Polish Institute of International Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania, Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in the Republic of Poland, Druskininkai, Lithuania.

October 2021 – “The understanding of the borderlands concept in Lithuania,” College of Europe Natolin study trip Suwalszczyzna and Podlasie, Vilnius, Lithuania.

October 2020 – “Lithuanian after parliamentary elections,” Regional Centre for International Debate Cracow, online.

June 2019 – presentation “Foreign Policy Strategies of the Baltic States“ at the Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark.

October 2018 – participation in the panel ‘The Polish State and Poles in the East,’ Annual Conference on Poland’s Eastern Policy, Kolegium Europy Wschodniej im. Jana Nowaka-Jeziorańskiego we Wrocławiu, Wojnowice, Poland.

April 2018 – lecture ‘Poland’s foreign policy and internal politics’ given at General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania “International Politics and Diplomacy” course for future military attaches, Vilnius, Lithuania.

February 2018 – ‘Polish-Lithuanian relations after Maidan: slow changes in Vilnius’, Polish Institute of International Affairs, Warsaw, Poland.

December 2017 – participation in a panel “Geopolitical situation and cooperation in the Baltic Sea region” conference “In the shadow of Russia and Nord-Stream? Baltic geopolitical challenges,” Regional Centre of International Debate Cracow, Cracow, Poland.

April 2017 – “Lithuania’s foreign policy challenges,” Department of National Minorities under the Government of the Republic of Lithuania, Vilnius, Lithuania.

November 2016 – “Poland’s policy towards the East: any chances for cooperation with Lithuania?”, Young Conservatives League and Young Democrats, Vilnius, Lithuania.

April 2016 – ‘On Jozef Mackiewicz’s scent for (pro)communism’, Eagle and Pogoń: did we fight different battles in the middle of the 20th century?, Trakinių Partizanai, Vilnius, Lithuania.

July 2015 – ‘Energy Implications on Baltic Sea Cooperation’. Young Christian Democrats Summer Academy, Klaipėda, Lithuania.

Op-eds and interviews

‘Kaip būti karine galia ja dar nesant? Lenkijos atvejis’ [How to be a military power without being one? The case of Poland], LRT.lt, 27 March 2024. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/naujienos/nuomones/3/2230037/mariusz-antonowicz-kaip-buti-karine-galia-ja-dar-nesant-lenkijos-atvejis>

‘Paribio pokalbiai. Ar galime pasitikėti Lenkija?’ [Borderland talks. Can we trust Poland?], LRT radio, 18 March 2024. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/irasas/2000329355/paribio-pokalbiai-ar-galime-pasitiketi-lenkija?fbclid=IwAR0WpUSlmeC9VGbnjKEcDVUbbLrixhpR2otCtqoDYAyh2vz81L-WJ1uP1rM>

‘Nowe spojrzenie: dr Mariusz Antonowicz: Jak wstąpienie do NATO wpłynęło na politykę Litwy?’ [New view. How entrance into NATO influenced Lithuania’s policies?], TVP Wilno, 2 March 2024. URL: <https://wilno.tvp.pl/76235005/nowe-spojrzenie-dr-mariusz-antonowicz-jak-wstapienie-do-nato-wplynelo-na-polityke-litwy-131>

‘Lenkijos galia auga. Bet iki tam tikros ribos’ [Poland’s power is rising. But up to a certain limit], LRT.lt, 30 March 2023. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/naujienos/nuomones/3/1945032/mariusz->

antonowicz-lenkijos-galia-auga-bet-iki-tam-tikros-ribos?fbclid=IwAR1xiPun-4GO5GapkO88kWVbtPfEi4mSaQwGk_BnP7PUa8wG3htyJAqHcuE

‘VU politologas apie keturis Lietuvos ateities scenarijus: didžiausias nerimas – Rytų kaimynystė, iššūkių kils ir dėl pasaulinės klimato kaitos’ [Vilnius University political scientist on Lithuania’s four future scenarios: Eastern Neighbourhood – biggest worry, global climate change will also present its challenges], LRT.lt, 28 November 2022. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/naujienos/lietuvoje/2/1831657/vu-politologas-apie-keturis-lietuvos-ateities-scenarijus-didziausias-nerimas-rytu-kaimynyste-issukiu-kils-ir-del-pasaulines-klimato-kaitos>

‘Karas kirto Ukrainos sienas. M. Antonowicz: Vakarų atsakas priklausys nuo tyrimo išvadų.’ [The war has crossed Ukraine’s borders. M. Antonowicz: the Western response will depend on the investigation’s findings], bernardinai.lt, 16 November 2022. URL: https://www.bernardinai.lt/karas-kirto-ukrainos-sienas-m-antonowicz-vakaru-atsakas-priklausys-nuo-tyrimo-issadu/?fbclid=IwAR2ieqoP0ltVLLG8l4vaWlCkmrdL-YbnD_aD7Yxxw2T7ouR9ZOXTTrylLmo

‘Napaść Rosji na Ukrainę była wstrząsem dla państw bałtyckich’ [Russia’s attack on Ukraine was a shock for Baltic States], Kultura Liberalna, 18 October 2022. URL: https://kulturaliberalna.pl/2022/10/18/napasc-rosji-na-ukraine-byla-wstrzasem-dla-panstw-baltyckich-mariusz-antonowicz/?fbclid=IwAR3fDB04l0jkAsalv6yEXbu68RapWNx1luSRugghx1KOEAWydp6_SURz9Dk

‘Be europinės vėžės Lietuvos tolesnis vystymasis yra neįmanomas.’ [Lithuania’s further development without the European rail grid is impossible], LRT.lt, 31 July 2022. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/naujienos/nuomones/3/1747183/mariuszas-antonowiczius-be-europines-vezes-lietuvos-tolesnis-vystymasis-yra-neimanomas>

‘Lūžis dar neįvyko. Bet Lietuva gali jį paskubinti’ [The breaking point has not been reached. But Lithuania can hasten it], LRT.lt, 27 March 2022. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/naujienos/nuomones/3/1653686/marijus-antonovic-luzis-dar-neivyko-bet-lietuva-gali-ji-paskubinti>

‘Jak Wilno reaguje na atak Rosji na Ukrainę? “W jednym Litewscy politycy absolutnie się zgadzają”’ [How does Vilnius react to Russia’s attack on Ukraine? “On one point Lithuanian politicians totally agree”], tvn24.pl, 25 March 2022. URL: <https://tvn24.pl/premium/litwa-jak-wilno-zareagowalo-na-atak-rosji-na-ukraine-rozmowa-z-politologiem-mariuszem-adamowiczem-5647870?s=03>

‘Tarp praeities ir ateities. Miłoszas, Giedroycas, Mackiewiczus – kuo jų intelektualinis paveldas svarbus šiandien?’ [Between the past and the future. Miłosz, Giedroyc, Mackiewicz – in what ways is their intellectual legacy important today?], LRT Radio, 3 May 2021. URL: <https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/irasas/2000150356/tarp-praeities-ir-ateities-miloszas-giedroycas-mackiewiczus-kuo-ju-intelektualinis-paveldas-svarbus-siandien>

‘Lenkijoje artėja Jarosławo Kaczyńskiego eros pabaiga’ [In Poland Jarosław Kaczyński’s is coming to an end], LRT.lt, 21 April 2021

‘Na Litwie rząd Chłopów i Zielonych ofiarą koronowirusa’ [In Lithuania the Peasant and Green government is a casualty of the coronavirus], Dziennik Gazeta Prawna, 27 October 2020.

‘Litewscy Polacy szukają politycznej alternatywy’ [Lithuanian Poles search for a political alternative], Dziennik Gazeta Prawna, 8 October 2020.

‘Z Mińska jest bliżej do Wilna niż do Warszawy’ [From Minsk it’s closer to Vilnius than Warsaw], Krytyka Polityczna, 16 September 2020. URL: <https://krytykapolityczna.pl/swiat/ue/z-minska-jest-blizej-do-wilna-niz-do-warszawy/>

‘Lenkija: rinkimai baigėsi, politika tęsiasi’ [Poland: elections are over, politics continues], LRT.lt, 27 July 2020.

‘Daug pasakantis ministro Narkevičiaus kuklumas’ [Minister’s Narkiewicz modesty speaks a lot], LRT.lt, 26 May 2020.

‘Atminties politikos spąstuose’ [Trapped in memory politics], Lietuvos Žinios, 8 February 2018.

‘Lenkijos vyriausybės rekonstrukcija. II dalis’ [The reconstruction of Poland’s government. Part II], Lietuvos Žinios, 17 January 2018.

‘Lenkijos vyriausybės rekonstrukcija. I dalis’ [The reconstruction of Poland’s government. Part I], Lietuvos Žinios, 22 December 2017.

‘Kova prieš Nord Stream II dar nebaigta’ [The fight against Nord Stream II is not yet over], Baltic News Service, 11 December 2017.

‘Lenkija – perėjimas į kitą politinę realybę’ [Poland – transition into a new political reality], 15min.lt, 26 May 2015.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY:

2022 January – present: member of the State Development Council

September 2014 – present: member of the Polish Discussion Club.

IT

Microsoft Office, Stata.

LANGUAGES

Polish (mother tongue), Lithuanian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Russian (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), Belarusian (basic).