

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

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| 19/03/2019 – Present | <p>Founder, President (2019-2021), Director at Management Board
EDEN Digital Learning Europe, Tallinn (Estonia)</p> |
| 15/06/2016 – 16/06/2019 | <p>President
European Distance and e-Learning Network (EDEN), Milton Keynes (United Kingdom)</p> |
| 10/06/2010 – 15/06/2016 | <p>EDEN Vice president, research and academic activities
European Distance and e-Learning Network (EDEN), Milton Keynes (United Kingdom)</p> |
| 12/02/2010 – 31/03/2016 | <p>President
Lithuanian Distance and e-Learning (LieDM) association, Kaunas (Lithuania)</p> |
| 01/03/2016 – 01/04/2019 | <p>Chair of the Board
Lithuanian Distance and e-Learning (LieDM) association, Kaunas (Lithuania)</p> |
| 02/11/2011 – Present | <p>Director
Vytautas Magnus University, Innovative Studies Institute, Kaunas (Lithuania)</p> <p>To develop studies' infrastructure, distant studies environment, coordinate organisational regulations of distant studies, activities of the work group providing expertial evaluation for distance studies subjects; to coordinate research department for technology enhanced studies, department of study modernisation, and virtual learning technology centre.</p> <p>To analyse and apply innovative study forms: virtual mobility, open educational resources, distance learning for organisations.</p> |
| 2019 – 2022 | <p>Co-Editor-in-Chief International Journal of Educational technology in Higher Education (ETHE)
@ETHEjournal</p> |
| 13/10/2013 – Present | <p>Senior researcher, Research project leader</p> <p>Senior researcher at SMART program project "Digital and Micro-credentials in Higher Education", No 13.1.1-LMT-K-718-05-0003) under grant agreement with the Research Council of Lithuania (LMTLT). It is funded as European Union's response to the COVID-19 pandemic</p> <p>Research Leader of Global Grant project "Open and Online Learning for Digitalised and Networked Society" (project No. 09.3.3-LMT-K-712-01-0189) funded by the European Social Fund according to the activity "Improvement of researchers" qualification by implementing world-class R&D projects' of Measure No. 09.3.3-LMT-K-712 (2017 – 2021).</p> <p>Senior researcher at Global grant - (2013 -2015) "Technology enhanced learning integration in organisation", No. VP1-3.1-ŠMM-07-K-03-045. (Lithuania) (2013 – 2015)</p> |

- 01/09/2019 – Present **Professor**
Vytautas Magnus University, Academy of Education, Kaunas (Lithuania)
- 01/09/2008 – 31/08/2019 **Associate Professor**
Vytautas Magnus University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Kaunas (Lithuania)
- 15/11/2007 – 02/11/2011 **Head of Distance Study Centre**
Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas (Lithuania)
- 01/09/2004 – 02/09/2010 **International Tutor for HE Pedagogy Master Program**
University of Liege, Faculty of Psychology and pedagogy, Liege (Belgium)
- 15/11/1996 – 14/11/2007 **Computer systems analyst**
Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas (Lithuania)
To create and apply distance learning methodologies at Kaunas University of Technology, plan and coordinate international projects in the field of distance and e-learning; to consult and teach University teachers and consultants-practitioners to prepare courses for distance studies.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 08/09/2007 – 05/03/2008 **Doctoral degree in Social Sciences** EQF level 8
Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas (Lithuania)
"Designing Distance Learning/ Teaching Curriculum Quality Reflective Assurance"
- 01/10/2003 – 30/06/2004 **MA, Pedagogy of Higher Education** EQF level 7
University of Liege, Liege (Belgium)
"Designing of distance education curriculum and quality assurance"
- 01/09/1995 – 30/07/1997 **MA, English philology** EQF level 6
Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas (Lithuania)
English philology
- 01/09/1990 – 30/07/1995 **BA, English philology** EQF level 5
Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas (Lithuania)
English language and literature

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Lithuanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
Master degree					
French	B2	B2	B2	B2	A2
Academic certificate					
Spanish	B2	B2	B2	B2	B1
Academic certificate					

Russian C2 C2 C1 C1 B1

Academic certificate

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills Excellent communicational skills developed through participation in international organisations, wide professional networks, projects, conferences and seminars.

Organisational / managerial skills Currently I am director of the institute that covers three departments, 12 employees. As the president of LieDM, I collaborate with 43 three member institutions, and as the president of EDEN, I coordinate work between more than 200 institutional members and 1200 individual members. I have participated in more than 20 international projects and coordinated 10 international projects.

Courses (Teaching)
 "Information technologies in education" – EDU3017 (BA)
 "E-learning technologies" – EDU 5024 (MA)
 "Open Educational Resources – (EDU 4020 BA/ EDU9008 PhD program)
 "Innovations in Education" – ISI – 2001(BA)

Digital competence

SELF-ASSESSMENT

Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Proficient user	Proficient user	Proficient user	Proficient user	Proficient user

Digital competences - Self-assessment grid

All skills that are required for a valuable work with computer, including preparation of distance study courses and administration, administration of video conferences and its' moderation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Projects

Scientific research projects:

- Senior researcher at SMART program project "Digital and Micro-credentials in Higher Education", No 13.1.1-LMT-K-718-05-0003) under grant agreement with the Research Council of Lithuania (LMTLT). It is funded as European Union's response to the COVID-19 pandemic
- Leader of Global Grant project "Open and Online Learning for Digitalised and Networked Society" (project No. 09.3.3-LMT-K-712-01-0189) funded by the European Social Fund according to the activity "Improvement of researchers" qualification by implementing world-class R&D projects' of Measure No. 09.3.3-LMT-K-712 (2017 – 2021).
- Senior researcher at Global grant project - (2013 -2015) "Technology enhanced learning integration in organisation", No. VP1-3.1-ŠMM-07-K-03-045.
- A member and a researcher of the pedagogical working group in IST FP6 Framework project iCamp <http://www.icampproject.org> (coordinated by Centre for Social Innovation, Austria).

Coordinated academic projects:

- LLP Leonardo da Vinci project "Vocational Training in Information Technologies for Young People with Physical Disabilities and Preparing them for the Labour Market" (1999-2001) (<http://elinara.ktu.lt/~ITSDY>)
- LLP Leonardo da Vinci project "IT-Academy: eLearning for SME".
- LLP Leonardo da Vinci project "EVETE" (2005 – 2007, <http://www.evete.eu>)
- National ESF project funded by EU Social Fund project (ESF-2.4-VS-01) "Integrated Development of Operability of Lithuanian Distance Education Network System" (2005 – 2007) <http://www.liedm.lt/liedm2.4>.

- LLP Leonardo da Vinci project "REVIVE – Reviewing and reviving existing VET curriculum (2008-2010), <http://www.reviveproject.eu>, reference No. LLP-LdV-TOI-2008-LT-0022
- LLP Erasmus Multilateral project "TeaCamp - Teacher virtual campus: Research, Practice, Apply" (2009 – 2011), ref. No. 502102-LLP-1-2009-LT-ERASMUS-EVC - <http://www.teacamp.eu>
7.National ESF project "Communication is a value". <http://www.bendravidimas-vertybe.lt/>
- LLP Leonardo da Vinci project REVIVE VET – Reviewing and reviving VET practices (2011-2013), <http://www.reviveproject.eu>, reference No. LLP-LdV-TOI-2011-LT-0078
- National ESF project "Opening University Services by Training High Qualification Professionals" (in – service training). <http://mokymai.vdu.lt>
- Erasmus+ Strategic partnership project "OUVM – Opening Universities for Virtual Mobility" 2014-1-LT01-KA203-000550. <http://openstudies.eu>
- Erasmus+ Strategic partnership project "OpenPROF – Open Professional Collaboration for Innovation" 2014-1-LT01-KA202-000562. <http://openprof.eu>
- Erasmus+ KA2 Strategic partnership project ReOPEN – Recognition of Valid and Open Learning. 2016-1-LT01-KA202-023131, <http://reopen.eu> (2016 – 2018).
- Erasmus+ KA2 Strategic partnership project VOCAL – Vocational Online Collaboration for Active Learning. 2016-1-HU01-KA202-022916 (2016 – 2018)

Coordinator in partner institutions:

- Socrates/ Grundtvig "@DULINE: Tutoring Adults Online", coordinated by Extension Studies Dept. at University of Turku, Finland, 2003-2004 (<http://www.tkk.utu.fi/aduline/>)
- FORM@TIC: Adaptation of Trainers to the Use and Integration of ICT in Blended Learning" (<http://www.formalyon.fr>), coordinated by Lyon Chamber of Commerce, France. 2004 - 2006.
- "e-Assessment" coordinated by e-Novative, UK (2004-2007) <http://www.e-assess.org>
- Nordplus Horizontal program NORDLET project (<http://www.nordnet.org>) (2008 – 2010)
- eContentPlus program - The researcher and coordinator at partner institution eContentplus Programme OpenScout (Skill based scouting of open user-generated and community-improved content for management education and training) Targeted Project in the area of Educational Content (Grant ECP 2008 EDU 428016) (2008 – 2011)
- ESF project for Lithuanian Labour Market Training Authority for Distance and eLearning environment development (2009 – 2010)
- LLP KA3 project e-MENTORING: New skills and competencies for new jobs (e-MENTOR), <http://www.e-mentoring.eu>, (2010 – 2013)
- LLP Erasmus multilateral project VMCOLAB – "Virtual Mobility Collaboratory", project head at partner institution, project no. 527770-LLP-1-2012-1-BE-ERASMUS-ESMO - <http://vmcolab.eu> (2011 – 2013)
- LLP KA3 ICT project "OLAREX - Open Learning Approach with Remote Experiments" (No. 518987-LLP-1-2011-1-ES-KA3-KA3MP) – www.olarex.eu (2011 – 2013)
- ENKDIST (European Network for Knowledge diffusion of Digital Storytelling) is a EU project for KA 3 ICT networking program (518967-LLP-1-2011-1-IT-KA3-KA3NW), project head at partner institution. <http://dtellers.org> (2011 – 2014)
- LLP Erasmus multilateral project UBICamp – "Integrated Solution for Virtual Mobility Barriers", project head at partner institution, project no. 526843-LLP-1-2012-ES-ERASMUS-ESMO- <http://www.ubicamp.eu> (2012 – 2014)
- MEVEL, Fostering the Virtual Mobility within the Metal Sector. 2013-1-ES1-LEO05-67974 (2013 – 2015)
- LLP Erasmus project OEI2 - Open Educational Ideas and Innovations (OEI2) – towards open idea and innovation sharing for learning, education and training. 539990-LLP-1-2013-1-FI-ERASMUS-EQMC (2013 – 2015)
- European Policy Experimentation KA3 Forward looking cooperation project MicroHE – Supporting Future Learning Excellence through Micro-Credentialing in Higher Education. 590161-EPP-1-2017-DE-EPPKA3-PI-Forward (2017 – 2020).

Supervision of doctoral students

- Supervisor of 2 doctoral students at the moment (topic: Modeling of Technology enhanced learning environment, enhancing monitoring of learners' learning achievements and learning progress; Providing feedback and assessment on the basis of learning analytics informed data);
- supervisor of 1 doctoral thesis that was successfully defended in 2016 (topic: Integration of technology enhanced learning into business organization);
- scientific consultant of 1 doctoral thesis that was successfully defended (topic: Virtual mobility in higher education).

Defence committee member of 5 Doctoral dissertations in the field of IT appliance and / or integration into learning process, during the last 5 years.

Academic appointments and administrative activities

- The Head of the interdisciplinary online bachelor study program "Education and information technologies" in Andragogy and Applied Informatics at Innovative Studies Institute at Vytautas Magnus University (detailed information is available at <http://www.studyonline.lt/campus/en/>)
- Peer reviewer of TEL integration into an organization (http://integracija.vdu.lt/?page_id=819&lang=en)
- Expert for UNESCO on the state – of – the – art of OER in Lithuania (http://iite.unesco.org/oer_and_digital_pedagogy/oer/policy_advocacy/2012_world_congress/)
- The co-author of EDEN position paper "The mainstreaming of open, online and flexible learning: how will MOOCs continue to be unique from an institutional perspective" (page 25, http://home.eadtu.eu/images/Position_papers_for_European_cooperation_on_MOOCs.pdf)
- EDEN Oxford workshop discussion on diversification of HE target groups (moderator – A.W.Tait, group moderator – A.Volungevičienė, <http://www.eden-online.org/eden-events/research-workshops/oxford.html>)
- The head of the project for University – business collaboration "Opening University Services For Professional Development of High Qualification Specialists" (establishment of continuous professional training online services for companies) – project ID VP1-2.2-ŠMM-04-V-06-007
- The co-author of university – business collaboration model developed during the project "Opening University Services For Professional Development of High Qualification Specialists" (project ID VP1-2.2-ŠMM-04-V-06-007)
- Coordinator of virtual mobility implementation in Higher Education in the following cases:
 - 6 HE institutions implementing international bachelor student (bachelor program in Education) virtual mobility 6 ECTS study course "Virtual mobility in Higher Education (in the framework of Erasmus Multilateral Virtual Campuses project "TEACAMP: Teacher Virtual Campus: Research, Practice, Apply, 502102-LLP-1-2009-1-LT-ERASMUS-EVC) – more detailed information is available at <http://www.teacamp.eu/moodle2/course/index.php?categoryid=5>
 - 7 HE institutions in Erasmus Multilateral project "UbiCamp: Integrated Solution to Virtual Mobility Barriers" (project ID 526843-LLP-1-2012-ES-ERASMUS-ESMO) with full academic recognition for bachelor study programs.
 - Designing interdisciplinary master study program in HE (in the area of Education) for virtual mobility using open educational resources during the implementation of Erasmus+ KA2 program project "OUVM – Opening Universities for Virtual Mobility" (project ID 2014-1-LT01-KA203-000550)

- Author of the following training material and initiatives for HE staff:
- Training material for (non) academic staff at HEIs “Virtual mobility curriculum designing”
- Virtual Mobility quality assurance handbook
- 6 ECTS course “Open Educational Resources” (closed for Vytautas Magnus University online studies)
- 3 ECTS course “Open Educational Resources”
- 6 ECTS course “Information technologies in Education” ” (closed for Vytautas Magnus University online studies)
- Virtual mobility organization (training material for students, teachers, HE administration)
- Quality criteria for TEL integration into education organizations (institutional level, curriculum quality assurance criteria)
- Quality assurance framework for online and blended studies at Vytautas Magnus University (case presentation and opening up of the framework to be transferred to other Lithuanian (and foreign) universities)
- Opening up university curriculum through study program modules (based on learning outcomes)

Publications and other scientific
production

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ANNEXES
