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## **STAFF**

83 teachers (18 habilitated doctors and 57 doctors), 1 research fellow, 63 doctoral students.

## **MAIN RESEARCH TRENDS OF THE FACULTY**

Role and Nature of Philosophy in Classical and Postmodern Civilization

History of World Philosophy and Lithuanian Philosophy

Society, Community and Individual: Change of Life Quality Values

Bioinformation and Behavioral Systems

## **DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS MAINTAINED IN 2007**

R. Raudeliūnaitė. Training of social skills for visually impaired teenagers.

## **CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ORGANIZED IN 2007**

The International Scientific conference „The Legacy of Hannah Arendt In The Early 21st Century“. Vilnius, May 18-19, 2007.

The International Scientific Conference „500 Years of Philosophy in Lithuania“. Vilnius, September 27 -28, 2007.

The International Scientific Conference „Equal Opportunities for Individuals, Groups and Nations“. Vilnius, June 14-16, 2007.

4th Conference for Young Scientists in Psychology. Vilnius, April 27, 2007.

Conference „Professional Supervision in Psychology: The Present and the Future“. Vilnius, March 3, 2007.

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## **STAFF**

**Professors:** Dr.(HP) Č. Kalenda, Habil. Dr. E. Nekrašas, Habil. Dr. A. Šliogeris.

**Docents:** Dr. M. Gutauskas, Dr. L. Jakavonytė, Dr. S. Jančauskas, Dr. L. Jekentaitė, Dr. A. Mickevičius, Dr. N. Milerius, Dr. A. Plėšnys.

**Lecturers:** Dr. J. Čiurlionis, V. Pivorius.

**Doctoral students:** K. Sabolius, J. Barevičiūtė, A. Bukevičiūtė, L. Junutyte, J. Saldukaityte, M. Stoškus, V. Daraškevičiūtė.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

General trends in the development of philosophy and specific manifestations of these trends at the turn of the Millennia

Changes in the role of philosophy during the transition from the classical to postmodern. informational civilization, focusing on the changes in the methods and modes of philosophical reflection

History of positivist philosophy, focusing on relations between positivist and pragmatist philosophy

The problem of value-neutrality of science in philosophy of science, sociology of science and analytical metaethics

The fundamental structure of Western metaphysics

Historical change of the fundamental structure of Western metaphysics

The impact of metaphysics on the rise of modern natural science

Metaphysical elements in modern science

Philosophical reflection of everyday world

Philosophy of cinema

Practical philosophy with special consideration given to ecological ethics

The problem of dialogue in the hermeneutical philosophy

The ontology of language

Language as fundamental philosophical problem

Philosophical poetics in contemporary philosophy

Philosophy of Ludwig Wittgenstein

The place of philosophy in the process of globalization

Methodical problems in the teaching of philosophy at secondary and higher schools

Local and global culture

Philosophy of Martin Heidegger

The place of local cultures in the process of globalization

Natural and artificial language

### ***RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007***

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**The Role of Philosophy in the Process of Globalization of Local Cultures.** Prof. A. Šliogeris. 2004-2008.

The research has been accomplished in several directions by separate groups of scholars. The focus was on the impact of the media upon national conscience and globalisation indicators of individual conscience. Papers by J. Barevičiūtė, L. Jekentaitė, N. Milerius, A. Šliogeris deal with this kind of problems and have been published in "Problemos" (ISI academic journal) and other reviewed publications. It has been established that modern media, especially television, in Lithuania and elsewhere often has a destructive effect and endangers the national identity. Therefore, the globalisation of individual conscience should not be viewed in a homogeneous way, i.e. exclusively as a positive or desirable factor. Globalisation tends to include dangers that need to be comprehended very clearly and sensibly and responded to even on the level of the State policy. The interrelation between the classical philosophy, the methodological structures of the modern science and the current ecological situation is analysed in the papers of other researchers – S. Jankauskas, M. Gutauskas, Č. Kalenda, et al. This ecological situation tends to challenge not only the national but international mentality as well, thus it is possible that the imminent ecological catastrophe is closely related with a certain anthropological catastrophe already in progress.

## **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

### **Monographs, Studies**

### **Articles**

## **COOPERATION**

The Novosibirsk Institute of Economics, Psychology and Law (Russia)

European Humanitarian University, Minsk (Belarus)

## **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Prof. Č. Kalenda –**

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Problemos (Problems)*.

### **Prof. E. Nekrašas –**

- member of the editorial board of the journals *Problemos (Problems)*, *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy. Sociology)*, Lithuanian Foreign Policy Review;
- member of the editorial board of the journal *Politologija (Political Science)*;
- corresponding member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences;
- chairman of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society.

### **Prof. A. Šliogeris –**

- member of the editorial board of the journals *Problemos (Problems)*, *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy. Sociology)*;
- member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences.

### **Doc. L. Jakavonytė –**

- member of the board of the Lithuanian Philosophical Society  
[http://www.geocities.com/lj\\_lt/VU.html](http://www.geocities.com/lj_lt/VU.html).

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**Docents:** Dr. K. Dubnikas, Dr. N. Lomanienė, Dr. V. Radžvilas, Dr. L. Šabajevaitė.

**Lecturers:** Dr. J. Dagys, M. Kubilius.

**Doctoral students:** V. Grenda, A. Grigaravičiūtė, M. Ablačinskas, K. Kirtiklis, V. Dranseika, I. Giraitė, R. Bikauskaitė, A. Mackonis, M. Ruzas, Ž. Svirgis.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Philosophy in classical and modern civilizations

Modern – postmodern controversy

Information society studies

Analytic philosophy and hermeneutics

Logic

Postmodern philosophy

Social philosophy

Contemporary Christian philosophy

Ethics

Religion studies

Philosophy of history

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007**

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Methodological Analysis of the Development of the Philosophical Discourse.** Prof. M. P. Šaulauskas. 2005-2010.

Main research titles accomplished in 2007: historical analysis of the rise and development of philosophy and other theoretical sciences in Lithuania; inquiry into the fundamental principles of the current stance of interdisciplinary human and social sciences research in

Lithuania; research on contemporary reductionist philosophy of mind; investigation into the early history of Christian philosophy.

### **Other projects**

#### **Quality Improvement of the Doctoral and Introduction of the Postdoctoral Studies in Social and Human Sciences: Maintaining National Identity in the Global World.**

Contract No ESF/2004/2.5.0-03-404/BPD-175/ParS-12500-596. M. P. Šaulauskas. 2006-2008.

### **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Monographs, Studies**

#### **Textbooks, Manuals**

#### **Articles**

#### **Translations**

### **COOPERATION**

The Institute of Philosophy at the Nikolaus Copernicus University, Torun (Poland)

The Jesuit Faculty of Philosophy, Cracow (Poland)

The Polish Academy of Art and Sciences (Poland)

The Novosibirsk Institute of Economics, Psychology and Law (Russia)

European Humanitarian University, Minsk (Belarus)

### **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

#### **Prof. R. Plečkaitis –**

- foreign member of Polish Academy of Art and Science;
- expert of Lithuanian Academy of Science;
- member of Science Council of Lithuania;
- vice-editor of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy. Sociology)*;
- editorial board member of the journal *Problemos (Problems)*.

#### **Prof. M. P. Šaulauskas (<http://www.infovi.vu.lt/mps/index.html>) –**

- director of Center for Information Society Studies, Vilnius University;

- member of Council, Institute of Philosophy, Culture and Arts;
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)*;
- editorial board member of the journal *Problemos (Problems)*;

**Doc. K. Dubnikas –**

- expert of Lithuanian Centre for Quality Assessment in Higher Education.

**Doc. N. Lomanienė –**

- executive secretary of journal *Problemos (Problems)*;
- expert of Media, Radio and TV Support Fund;
- consultant of Center of Contemporary Didactics.

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**Docents:** Dr. R. Bliumas, Dr. L. Bulotaitė, Dr. G. Gintilienė, Dr. S. Girdzijauskienė, Dr. F. Laugalys, Dr. B. Pociūtė, Dr. R. Jusienė.

**Lecturers:** D. Butkienė, Dr. D. Čekuolienė, Dr. M. Dovydaitienė, K. Dragūnevičius, Dr. V. Navickas.

**Doctoral students:** J. Stasiukynienė, I. Gabrielavičiūtė, A. Miškinytė, D. Noreika, J. Narmontienė, R. Povilaitis, V. Rutkevičiūtė, M. Skėrytė Kazlauskienė, U. Stadnikė, Ž. Šarakauskienė, I. Urbanavičiūtė, A. Zališčevskis, A. Zbarauskaitė.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Influence of color contrast, adaptation and location of stimuli in visual field on color perception (on color constancy)

Selection and registration of psychophysical parameters for estimation of effectiveness of human being activity

Procedural justice in criminal and civil proceedings

Development of asocial personality

Cross-cultural psychology: research of psychological features of Lithuanian sub ethnical groups

Development of language and thinking

Intelligence testing with children

Psychopathology of early relationships

Addiction psychology: early detection and intervention

Cognitive development and social cognition in adolescence

Emotion and behavioral problems of Lithuanian schoolchildren

### ***RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007***

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Psychological Aspects of Legal Relations.** Prof. G. Valickas. 2005–2010.

In 2007, the two procedural justice questionnaires were developed. The first questionnaire has three different versions – for law abiding persons, for suspects and for convict persons (each version consists of 56 questions). The preliminary research was conducted which examined the people's approach to the law, courts and the work of police officers and judges (the research involved 315 subjects). The indexes of scales reliability (Cronbach's alpha) varied from 0, 6175 to 0, 8106.

The second questionnaire was developed to assess perceived procedural justice of high school students (the questionnaire consist of 76 questions). The preliminary research was conducted which examined the student's attitudes toward lecturers, study's organization, particular exam's evaluation, etc. (the research involved 163 subjects). The indexes of scales reliability (Cronbach's alpha) varied from 0, 5330 to 0, 9310.

**Information Technologies of Transducers and Neural Nets.** Prof. H. Vaitkevičius, Doc. Z. Bliznikas. 2005–2009.

Special equipments and special programs for perception of object colour under different lightening were created. The perceived colour of background was changing in time. The



speed of these adaptive changes depends on colour of light source. The fastest changes were observed under green- bluish light, the slowest those were under red-purple light.

**Investigation of Psychophysiological Mechanism of Human Perception.** Dr. A. Švegžda. 2004–2009.

It was created special hardware and software for both presentation of visual and acoustic stimuli and for registration of muscle electrical activity (electromyogram EMG) in response to presented above mentioned stimuli. Statistical and mathematical analyses of obtained data enable to detect very weak EMG activity. As the result of that the capabilities of the Standard program known as 'Acknowledge' were considerably extended.

**Psychological Wellbeing of Different Community Groups.** Doc. L. Bulotaitė. 2005–2010.

Multidisciplinary project „Risk and well-being factors of mental health disorders in Lithuanian children“ was carried out by group of researches (Gražina Gintilienė, Sigita Girdzijauskienė, Dovilė Butkienė) together with Clinic of Psychiatry, Faculty of Medicine, (Sigita Lesinskienė, Dainius Pūras ). Data analysis about 1168 children aged from 7 to 10 years from the epidemiological survey of child mental health was used to estimate the risk factors associated with family structure and environment, parental education, socioeconomic situation, physical and emotional trauma experienced by the child and to develop the recommendations for strengthening child's well-being and also for planning relevant preventive programs. The results of current study were presented at European Congress of Psychology in Prague, European Conference of Developmental Psychology in Jena and international seminar at Vilnius University.

**Projects, Programmes, Issues Supported by Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation**

**Daphne II. Needs Assessment and Awareness Raising Programme for Bullying in Schools.** Contract No JLS/DAP/2005-1-040-YC Doc. L. Bulotaitė. 2005-2008.

**Other projects**

**Establishment of a Training Centre for Innovations and Experimental Research in Psychology.** (Measure 2.5 of the SPD, ESF, 2006-2008). Contract No ESF/2004/2.5.0-03-406/BPD-177/ParS-12500-598. Coordinator doc. L. Bulotaitė. 2006-2008.

**Child and adolescent mental health in enlarged EU: development of effective policies and practices.** (EC Public Health Programme). Contract No 2005311. Coordinator R. Povilaitis. 2006-2008.

**Needs assessment and awareness raising programme for bullying in schools.** (Daphne programme II, 2006-2008, Nr. JLS/DAP/2005-1-040/YC). Contract No BS-250400-910. Coordinator R. Povilaitis. 2006-2008.

**Translation of professional suitability tests into Lithuanian, their adaptation and standardisation for Lithuania.** (Ministry of Education and Science). Contract No SUT-186/APS-250000-325. Coordinator Assoc. Prof. G. Gintilienė. 2006-2007.

## **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

### **Monographs, Studies**

### **Textbooks, Manuals**

### **Articles**

### **Materials of Conferences**

## **COOPERATION**

Child Development Centre (Lithuania)

Law University of Lithuania (Lithuania)

UK Manchester UMIST (UK)

## **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Doc. F. Laugalys –**

- editorial board executive secretary of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*.

### **Prof. G. Valickas –**

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*;
- member of Academic Senate of Vilnius University vice-chairman of Committee of Science of Vilnius University;
- expert of the Lithuanian Center for Quality Assessment in Higher Education.

### **Doc. B. Pociūtė –**

- editorial board member of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*;
- member of ISSBD;
- board member of the Lithuanian Psychologists Association, [www.lps.vu.lt/](http://www.lps.vu.lt/);
- member of DEAN Network.

### **Doc. L. Bulotaitė –**

- President of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, [www.lps.vu.lt/](http://www.lps.vu.lt/) ;
- member of Scientific committee of EMCDDA [www.emcdda.europa.eu/](http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/) ;
- Editorial board member of the journal *Ugdymo psichologija* (Educational Psychology) [www.vpu.lt/](http://www.vpu.lt/) .

**Doc. R. Bliumas –**

- member of the of Lithuanian Psychological Association, [www.fsf.vu.lt/lpa/](http://www.fsf.vu.lt/lpa/) ;
- international affiliate of the American Psychological Association, [www.apa.org/](http://www.apa.org/).

**Doc. G. Gintilienė –**

- member of ISSBD, [www.issbd.org/](http://www.issbd.org/) ;
- member of International Study Group on Special Education Needs;
- board member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, [www.lps.vu.lt/](http://www.lps.vu.lt/);
- member of Certification Commission of School Psychologists under the Ministry of Education and Science;
- board member of the general education examination and schoolchildren achievement research under the Ministry of Education and Science.

**Dr. D. Čekuolienė –**

- member of Society for Research of Child Development (SRCD), [www.srcd.org/](http://www.srcd.org/);
- President of the Family Counseling Society.

**Prof. H. Vaitkevičius –**

- Committee on Scientific Affair of EFPA, [www.efpa.be/](http://www.efpa.be/);
- member of Professor's Council of Latvian University;
- editorial board member of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*;
- expert of the Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation.

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**Senior assistants:** J. Bajoriūnienė, Dr. E. Kazlauskas, Dr. R. Rekašiūtė-Balsienė.

**Doctoral students:** I. Bieliauskienė, V. Domanskaitė-Gota, R. Garckija, M. Giedraitytė, N. Grigutyte, A. Grušauskaitė, I. Laukienė, A. Jurgaitytė-Avižinienė, V. Kalpokienė, J. Lazauskaitė, T. Lazdauskas, M. Tvarijonavičius, A. Matulaitė-Horwood, I. Povilaitienė, V. Poškutė, P. Skruibis, J. Šalaj, I. Žukauskaitė.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Investigation of the DSH (deliberate self-harm) and effects of long lasting traumatization

Research in existential-phenomenological psychology and psychotherapy in cross cultural context

Developmental psychopathology

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007**

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**The Impact of Sociopolitical Transformations on the Development of Personality.**

Prof. D. Gailienė. 2005–2007.

Validation of the research methods for the investigation of the impact of psychosocial stress and posttraumatic growth. Evaluation of the impact of the family stress on children and adults.

#### **Other projects**

**Transgenerational Effect of Extreme Traumatization in the Context of Social Transformations.** (Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation). Contract No T-06/07. Coordinator Prof. D. Gailienė. 2007.

### **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

## **Textbooks, Manuals**

## **Articles**

## **Materials of Conferences**

### ***COOPERATION***

Oslo University (Norway)

Umea University (Sweden)

University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)

University of Trondheim (Norway)

University of Medicine of Kaunas (Lithuania)

University of Pécs (Ungarn)

### ***OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES***

#### **Prof. D. Gailienė –**

- full member of the International Academy for Suicide Research (IASR), [www.uni-wuerzburg.de/IASR/](http://www.uni-wuerzburg.de/IASR/);
- consulting editor of the journal *Archives of Suicide Research*;
- associate editor of the journal *European Psychologist*, [www.hhpub.com/journals/ep/journals.html](http://www.hhpub.com/journals/ep/journals.html);
- associate editor of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*;
- member of the Lithuanian Committee of Medical Ethics, [www.bioetika.sam.lt](http://www.bioetika.sam.lt);
- member of International Association of Suicide Prevention (IASP), [www.med.uio.no/iasp/](http://www.med.uio.no/iasp/);
- member of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Suizidprophylaxe (DGSP), [www.suizidprophylaxe.de/](http://www.suizidprophylaxe.de/);
- member of American Suicidological Association (ASA);
- member of Lithuanian Society of Psychologists (LPS), [www.lps.vu.lt](http://www.lps.vu.lt);
- member of European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ESTSS), [www.estss.org](http://www.estss.org).

#### **Prof. R. Kočiūnas –**

- member of International Association of Counseling;
- member of Society for Existential Analysis (Great Britain);
- President of East European Association for Existential Therapy, [www.existentialtherapy-easteurope.lt](http://www.existentialtherapy-easteurope.lt);
- editorial board member of the journal *Psichologija (Psychology)*;
- board member of the Lithuanian Society of Psychotherapy;
- editorial board member of the *Journal of Baltic Psychology (Latvia)*;
- editorial board member of the journal *Existential Analysis (Great Britain)*;
- editorial board member of the journal *Psychotherapy (Russia)*;
- editorial board member of the *Journal of Mental Medicine and Ecology (Russia)*;
- editorial board member of the international journal *Existential Tradition: Philosophy, Psychology, Psychotherapy*;
- leader of the international commission of experts for Evaluation of International Institute of Practical Psychology (Riga, Latvia);
- leader of the international commission of experts for Evaluation of Higher Professional Programme with an Integrated Bachelors Standard of Psychology (International Institute of Practical Psychology, Riga, Latvia).

**Doc. R. Bieliauskaitė –**

- member of the Lithuanian Psychological Association, [www.lps.vu.lt](http://www.lps.vu.lt);
- member of the Lithuanian Society of Individual Psychology;
- member of the board of experts of the Inspector of Journalists' Ethics;
- member of experts group on Social Science and Ethics under the Ministry of Education and Science.

**Doc. D. Bagdžiūnienė –**

- member of Lithuanian Society of Psychologists (LPS), [www.lps.vu.lt](http://www.lps.vu.lt) .

**Doc. R. Sargautytė –**

- vice-president of the Lithuanian Pain Society (LSD);

- member of International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP), [www.iasp-pain.org/defsopen.html/](http://www.iasp-pain.org/defsopen.html/) ;
- member of Lithuanian Society of Psychologists (LPS), [www.lps.vu.lt/](http://www.lps.vu.lt/) ;
- Member of Steering Committee CEESBM (Central and Eastern Europe Society for Behavioral Medicine).

**Doc. G. Gudaitė –**

- individual and full member of the International Association of Analytical Psychology, [www.iaap.org/](http://www.iaap.org/) ;
- member of Lithuanian Association of AP;
- board member of Lithuanian Association of Psychotherapy;
- board member of Lithuanian Association of Gestalt Therapy.

**E. Kazlauskas –**

- board member of Lithuanian Society of Psychologists (LPS), [www.lps.vu.lt/](http://www.lps.vu.lt/);
- member of European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies (ESTSS), [www.estss.org/](http://www.estss.org/).

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### ***RESEARCH INTERESTS AND TRENDS***

Analysis of theoretical discourses (social constructivism, theories of (post)modernity, critical theory, criminological discourses)

Sociology of education

Sociology of deviations and crime

Rural and urban sociology

Sociology of communities and rural community development

Sociology of science

Sociology of youth

Theoretical and empirical issues in the research on family

Corruption and anti-corruption activity

Policy analysis of social inclusion

Technologies of social innovations (participatory action research, social partnerships, digital communities)

Trends in social values

Sociology of religion

Role of mass media in contemporary society

Postcommunist social transformation in Lithuania in the comparative perspective

Social theory of Max Weber

Methodology of comparative historical sociological research

Rational choice approach in sociology

### ***RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007***

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Social Discourses And Action.** Doc. Dr. Arūnas Poviliūnas. 2006-2011.



The research on social inequality (participating in the FP6 project EUROEQUAL STREP) was done. The Lithuanian policy in the social area of social inclusion was analyzed. The research work in the rural and communities sociology was continued with the special attention for the activities of the EQUAL development communities and the activities of LEADER+ local action groups in the developing and implementing social innovations in the area of social policy. The applied research in the sociology of education was continued pursuing the goal to construct an effective model of consultations among interest groups in the area of education. Members of the department did research work on the situation of women scientists in the exact sciences, collaborating in the FP6 project No. 017170 "Baltic States Network "Women in Exact Sciences and High Technology".

### **International Science Programmes and Projects**

**Baltic States Network: Women in Exact Sciences and High Technology (BASNET). FP6.** Contract No-017170. Doc. Dr. I.Juozeliūnienė. 2006-2007.

**Social Inequality and Why It Matters for the Economic and Democratic Development of Europe and Its Citizens. Post-Communist Central and Eastern Europe in Comparative Perspective (EUROEQUAL). FP 6.** Contract No-028920. 2006-2009. Doc. Dr. A.Poviliūnas. 2006-2009.

**Resources, locality and life course: An interdisciplinary study on the diversity, exchange and (trans)formation of economic, social and cultural resources** (with University of Jyväskylä). Contract No-028920. Doc. Dr. A.Poviliūnas. 2006-2009.

### **Other Programmes and Projects**

**Public Consultations for Implementation of the Principles of State Strategy for Education for the Years 2003-2012.** Partners of the Project: Centre for Civic Initiatives, Learning and Information Center, Civil Society Institute. Ordered by Ministry of Education and Science. Doc. Dr. A. Poviliūnas. 2003-2012.

**Lithuanian Nation: Analysis of the Conditions and Development Perspectives.** Project accomplished by Civil Society Institute and Strategic Research Centre. Ordered by Seimas (Parliament) of the Republic of Lithuania. Doc. Dr. A.Poviliūnas. 2007.

**Organizational Mortality of Rural Community Groups in Lithuania.** Partners of the Project: Eastern Caroline University (USA). Doc. Dr. A.Poviliūnas. 2007-2008.

### **COOPERATION**

Sociology Department (Uppsala University)

Department of Sociology (University of Jyväskylä)

Swedish School of Social Science, University of Helsinki

Political Science and Sociology, National University of Ireland, Galway

Oslo University College

### **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

#### **Prof. A. Matulionis –**

- member-expert of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences;
- member-expert of the Latvian Academy of Sciences;
- editorial board member of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy, Sociology)* (Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, Lithuanian Institute of Philosophy and Sociology);
- editorial board member of the journal *Socialiniai mokslai (Social Sciences)* (Kaunas Technological University);
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)* (Vilnius University, Klaipėda University);
- member of the International Sociological Association (ISA).

#### **Prof. Z. Norkus –**

- editorial board member of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy, Sociology)* (Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, Lithuanian Institute of Philosophy and Sociology);
- deputy Dean for Research, Vilnius University, Faculty of Philosophy;
- deputy editor-in-chief of the journal *Problemos (Problems)* (Vilnius University);
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)* (Vilnius University, Klaipėda University);
- editorial board member of the journal *Santalka* (Vilnius Technological University);
- member of the Editorial Board of the Universal Lithuanian Encyclopedia.

#### **Prof. A. Dobryninas –**

- member of steering committee of European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control;
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)*;
- editorial board member of the *Lithuanian Encyclopedia*.

#### **Doc. A. Poviliūnas –**

- SUSTAIN network <http://sockom.helsinki.fi/forum/eng/SUSTAIN-network.htm> ;
- Lithuanian expert of the group of non governmental experts in fight against poverty and social exclusion, European Commission, Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG;
- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)* (Vilnius University, Klaipėda University).

**Doc. D. Tureikytė –**

- editorial board member of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology)*.

**Doc. I. Juozeliūnienė –**

- member of the Family Research Committee (RC 06) of the International Sociological Association (ISA);
- member of the Nordic Family Research Network (NFRN).

**Doc. A. Valantiejus –**

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Sociologija (Sociology): Thought and Action* (Vilnius University, Klaipėda University);
- editorial board member of the journal *Filosofija. Sociologija (Philosophy, Sociology)* (Lithuanian Academy of Sciences).

**Doc. R. Ališauskienė –**

- director of research company *Baltic Surveys*;
- member of ESOMAR;
- member of IPCA;
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- member of Foreign Policy Board;
- member of the steering committee of European Group for the Study of Deviance and Social Control.

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Transformations of education policy in Lithuania

Monitoring of education policy

Education objectives and benchmarks of European Union and national adaptations

Research of curriculum development and management

Educational management in Lithuania

Contemporary trends and development of education management

School management

Monitoring of education system

Sustainability in education

The studies of Lithuanian educational heritage

The dialogue between cultures in education

The problem of personal identity

Globalization and localization in education

Philosophy of education

Higher education

### ***RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007***

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Intercultural Education in the Perspective of Globalization.** Prof. V. Aramavičiūtė. 2005–2009.

The theoretical and empirical analysis of pupils' and student's moral values, IT skills and intercultural education was explicated in the articles of Lithuanian and international journals. (Prof. habil. dr. V. Aramavičiūtė, Doc. dr. L. Duoblienė, Dr. I. Stonkuvienė).

**Educational Management in the Context of Sustainable Development.** Doc. T. Bulajeva 2005–2009.

Analysis of educational management with the emphasis on sustainable development was done. Some articles on that theme were published in Lithuanian and international journals. (Doc. Dr. T. Bulajeva, Doc. Dr. L. Duoblienė, Prof. Habil. Dr. V. Targamadzė, as. V. Budienė).

#### **International Science Programmes and Projects**

**BASNET: Baltic States Network: Women in Sciences and High Technology. 6BP.** Contract No 017170. Doc. G. Purvaneckienė, Dr. I. Stonkuvienė. 2007.

#### **Other projects**

**Intensive program ACEP** (Analysis of Comparative Educational Policies)/ Erasmus. International seminar in Linz. Contract No 2006-LT-E2-MOB-017. Doc. L. Duoblienė. 2007.

### ***MAIN PUBLICATIONS***

#### **Textbooks, Manuals**

#### **Articles**

#### **Materials of Conferences**

## **COOPERATION**

Bristol University (UK)

Linz Pedagogical Academy (Austria)

Twente University (Niederland)

Daugavpils University (Latvia)

Latvijas University (Latvia)

Tallinn Pedagogical University (Estonia)

Klaipėda University (Lithuania)

Open Society Institute (Lithuania)

## **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Prof. R. Želvys –**

- expert of the Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation;
- expert of the National Center for Quality Assessment in Higher Education;
- editorial board member of the journals *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*, *Pedagogika (Pedagogics)*, *Socialiniai Mokslai. Edukologija (Social Sciences. Educology)*.

### **Prof. V. Aramavičiūtė –**

- editor-in-chief of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*;
- member of the board of Lithuanian Catholic Academy;
- editorial board member of the Lithuanian Catholic Scientific Academy Chronicle;
- organizing committee member of 20<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Lithuanian Catholic Scientific Academy;
- member of scientific board of Vytautas Magnus University;
- member of Lithuanian Catholic Scientific Academy.

### **Prof. V. Targamadžė –;**

- member of Europe University Association.

### **V. Būdienė –**

- member of National Education Forum, <http://www.forumas.smm.lt/dok-isak.html>;
- member of expert committees of International Education Monitoring Projects, [www.edupolicy.net/](http://www.edupolicy.net/) ;
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- board member of the Central Asian Education Cooperation Network;
- editorial board member of the international newsletter *Education Policy*, [www.edupolicy.net/](http://www.edupolicy.net/) ;
- expert of the Open Society Institute (OSI – Hungary);
- member of the working group for planning of teacher training reform at MOES;
- executive board member of Modern Didactics Centre, [www.vpu.lt/sdc/](http://www.vpu.lt/sdc/).

**Doc. L. Duoblienė –**

- member of International Association of Philosophy Teachers;
- member of Lithuanian Association of Philosophy Teachers;
- expert of the National Center for Quality Assessment in Higher Education;
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- deputy editor-in-chief of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*.

**Dr. I. Stonkuvienė –**

- member of the Association of Baltic Pedagogy Historians (ABPH);

**Doc. T. Bulajeva –**

- expert of the Commission for Pedagogical and Educational Staff Training and Professional Development at the Ministry of Education and Science;
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- executive board member of Modern Didactics Centre, [www.vpu.lt/sdc/](http://www.vpu.lt/sdc/) ;
- editorial board member of the journal *Acta Paedagogica Vilnensia*.

### **Doc. G. Purvaneckienė –**

- member of Monitoring Group of Implementation of the National Plan of Action to Combat Poverty and Social Exclusion;
- expert of the Observatory on Violence against Women of the European Women's Lobby;
- member of the Working Group on the Drafting of Program of the Development of Pre-school Education. Order of the Minister of Education and Science of 26/10/2006 Nr. ISAK-2078;
- Vice-chair of the working group on the Development Centres of Science, Studies and Business. Decree of the Prime Minister of 15/11/2006 Nr. 374.
- member of the working group for Proposals on the Reform of High Education. Decree of the Prime Minister of 07/12/2006 Nr. 396.

### **Dr. K. Kaminskas –**

- member of the Education Council of Lithuania;
- board member of the Lithuanian Language Association;
- board reviewer of the magazine *Thinking Classroom*;
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### ***RESEARCH INTERESTS***

Development of social services in Lithuania

Analysis of social policy, social security, pensions

Social support for people at risk

Social rehabilitation and integration

Social inclusion

Violence in family

Drug and alcohol abuse consequences

Social and cultural integration of disabled

Ethnic minorities

Intercultural learning and communication

History of social work

Employment

Labour market policy

Vocational training

Mediation

Palliative social care

Evaluation of the effectiveness of programs and services

Risk factors of young people's successful socialization and integration into labour market

### ***RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007***

#### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Social Work and Development of Social Services.** Doc. L. Žalimienė. 2006-2008.

Articles, conference papers and presentations are delivered about changes in social work practice, about development of social services for different groups (elderly, children in risk

families, drugs abusers etc.) in Lithuania. Research of social services for children was conducted and the book was prepared.

**Employment and Social Policy.** Doc. R. Lazutka. 2006-2008.

Research of long-term unemployment and active labour market measures, equal opportunities for several vulnerable groups in the labour was conducted, policy proposals were formulated. First stage of research on development of retirement pension schemes during the formation of welfare capitalism in Lithuania was finalised.

### **Other projects**

**Community for Development Business of the Disabled (EQUAL).** Contract No. EQ/2004/1130-13/489. J. Mataitytė, Dr. D. Skučienė, Doc. L. Žalimienė, Doc. R. Lazutka. 2005-2007.

**Enhancing and Strengthening Youth Occupation (EQUAL).** Contract No. EQ/2004/1130-03/479-01. The coordinator – Institute of Public Policy and Management. B. Švedaitė, Dr. J. Buzaitytė-Kašalynienė. 2005-2007.

**Community Care Approach: a Strategy for Social Inclusion.** Contract No. HU/06/B/F/PP-170015. The coordinator – Debrecen University, Hungary. V. Gevorgianienė, V. Jakutienė. 2006-2008.

**Health and Social Care for Migrants and Minorities.** Contract No. 28972-IC-1-2005-1-NL-ERASMUS-PROGUC-4. Coordinators: doc. Romas Lazutka, Dr. Violeta Gevorgianienė. 2006-2008.

## **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

### **Monographs, Studies**

### **Textbooks, Manuals**

### **Other Books**

### **Articles**

### **Materials of Conferences**

## **COOPERATION**

Contracts for the SW studies with the Universities of Lapland, Sheffield (UK)

Applied University of Leipzig (Germany)

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Umea University (Sweden)

Sheffield Hallam University (UK)

University of Applied Sciences, Northwestern (Switzerland)

University of Lapland (Finland)

### ***OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES***

#### **Dr. V. Gevorgianienė –**

- member of the experts committee (languages and art) at the Ministry of Education and Science,
- member of experts' committee at the Special Education and Psychology centre, Vilnius

#### **Dr. J. Kašalynienė –**

- member of the experts committee for Social Education at the Ministry of Education and Science;
- member of the working group (formed by the State Council of Youth Affairs, resolution of April 7, No. 29-3) for Promotion of volunteering in Lithuania;
- general editor of the journal *Mūsų Vytis*;
- chairman of the council of Lithuanian Scouting Association, [www.scout.lt/](http://www.scout.lt/);

#### **Doc. R. Lazutka –**

- member of Council of Content of Faculty of Philosophy (Vilnius University);
- chairman of Council of the Institute for Social Research (Lithuania);
- member of Experts Committee of the International Council for Social Welfare European Region (Utrecht);
- member of Council of the Lithuania Association of Social Welfare;
- editorial board member of the journal *Socialinis darbas (Social Work)*;
- expert of the Social Sciences Committee of the Lithuanian State Science and Studies Foundation;
- expert of Academic Council.

**Dr. V. Lepeškienė –**

- vice-president of Lithuanian Association of Gestalt Therapy;
- associate professor in education (counseling), Norwegian University of Science and Technology (20% time).
- Institute of Humanistic and Existential Psychology, lecturer.

**B. Švedaitė –**

- member of Council of Social Centre at the Blessed Jurgis Matulaitis' parish;
- vice- president of National Association of Supervisors;
- board member of the Support Center of All Saints' parish.

**A. Vareikytė –**

- expert of the Netherlands Foundation for Central and East Europe;
- member of expert commission of Studies at the Science Council of Lithuania.

**Doc. M. Rubaževičienė –**

- President of Lithuanian Association of Hungarian Culture;
- member of European Association of Gifted Children (EACHA);
- member of Council of National Minorities in Lithuania;
- President of Hungarian Cultural Society of Lithuania;

- member of Council of West-European Association of Hungarian's Organization;
- member of Council of National Minorities of Lithuania;
- member of European Association of Gifted Children (EACHA).

**Doc. L. Žalimienė –**

- member of European Association for Evolutionary Economy (EAEPE);
- member of the supreme Lithuanian social work certification committee;
- expert of Lithuanian Center for Quality Assessment for Higher Education.

**Dr. B. Gruževskis –**

- member of High Education Board at the Ministry of Education and Science;
- member of Council of the Institute for Social Research (Lithuania);
- member of Nordic Council Commission for Unemployment Insurance;
- National expert for Lithuania in the European Employment Observatory (European Commission).
- member of Council of Content of the Faculty of Economy (Vilnius University);
- editorial board member of the journal *Socialinis darbas (Social Work)*;

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### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Creation, adaptation and standardization of methods of psychological assessment

Psychometrics

Psychosocial functioning of disabled people and their families

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007**

## **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Multidimensionality of Functioning of Person: Theoretical, Assessmental and Practical Aspects.** Prof. A. Bagdonas. 2006 - 2010.

In the year 2007 Laboratory of Special Psychology was working on further standardization of tests for assessment of intelligence of adult people (WASI and WAIS-III), Lithuanian Inventory of Professional Interests. For standardization about 800 subjects were assessed. Publishing activity of Laboratory was continued: during the year 2007 three books were published (see list of Main publications).

## **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

### **COOPERATION**

American Psychological Corporation Harcourt Assessment (USA)

Pedagogical Psychological Services of Lithuania (Lithuania)

Services for Assessment of Disability and Employability (Lithuania)

Ministry of Social Security and Labour (Lithuania)

### **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

#### **Prof. A. Bagdonas -**

- member of Council for Content of Education at Ministry of Education and Science;
- member of editorial boards of periodicals *Psichologija*, *Gerontologija* and *Specialusis ugdymas*;
- editor-in-chief of periodical *STEPP*.

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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Characteristics of XX Century Lithuania's Political Processes and Reflection of these Processes in the Political Thought

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN 2007**

### **Projects Supported by University Budget**

**Characteristics of XX Century Lithuania's Political Processes and Reflection of these Processes in the Political Thought.** Prof. V. B. Pšibilskis. 2003-2007.

In the process of the research, some of the earlier unexplored aspects of the political developments of Lithuania such as maturity of socialdemocracy and search for identity in the first decades of the XX century, aspects of formation of left and center worldviews in the society and political activities of prominent Lithuanian personalities, political differentiation of the Lithuanian Sajudis in the end of the XX century, changes in the status and transformation of the Lithuanian Communist Party into postcommunist socialdemocracy were exposed.

## **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

## **OTHER SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Prof. V. B. Pšibilskis –**

- Study of Lithuanian History, Editor – in chief;
- *Politologija* (Political Science), Editorial Board Consultant;
- member of editorial board of *Bibliotekininkystė* (Library science);
- series History Sources of Vilnius University editor – in – chief, member of board.