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Personal information

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Nationality Lithuanian
Date of birth 12 March 1973
Gender Male

Desired employment / Occupational field

University lecturer

Work experience

Dates	September 2011-present
Occupation or position held	Professor, Head of Department of Regional Studies
Main activities and responsibilities	Teaching, research
Name and address of employer	Faculty of Political Science and Diplomacy, Vytautas Magnus University, 44 Gedimino str., Kaunas
Type of business or sector	Education
Dates	September 2001 – August 2011
Occupation or position held	Associate Professor (since 2005)
Main activities and responsibilities	Teaching, research
Name and address of employer	Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius University, 3 Universiteto str., Vilnius
Type of business or sector	Education

Education and training

Dates	September 1999 – October 2004
Title of qualification awarded	PhD in Arabic and Islamic Studies
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Middle Eastern and Islamic studies
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	University of Helsinki, Finland
Dates	September 1997 – January 1999
Title of qualification awarded	MA in Near Eastern Studies

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered Middle Eastern and Islamic studies

Name and type of organisation providing education and training New York University, USA

Dates September 1991 – June 1996

Title of qualification awarded BA in Philosophy

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered Philosophy

Name and type of organisation providing education and training Vilnius University, Lithuania

Dates September 1992 – June 1994

Title of qualification awarded Language certificate

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered Arabic language

Name and type of organisation providing education and training Kuwait University, Kuwait

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s) **Lithuanian**

Other language(s)

Self-assessment
European level ()*

English

Russian

Arabic

German

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
C2	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	B2	Independent user
B2	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user	B1	Independent user
A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user

(*) [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Additional information | Some Recent Publications in English

- “Muslims in Catholic Lithuania: between the status quo and alternatives”, in Milda Ališauskienė & Ingo W. Schröder (eds.). *Religious Diversity in Lithuania: Ethnographies of Hegemony and Pluralism*, Ashgate, 2011.
- “Trials and tribulations of the Lithuanian participation in the ISAF”, in Nik Hynek & Péter Marton (eds.), *Statebuilding in Afghanistan: Multinational Contributions to Reconstruction* (Routledge Studies in Intervention and Statebuilding), Routledge, 2011, pp. 261-277.
- “Lithuania”, in Jørgen S. Nielsen, Samim Akgönül, Ahmet Alibašić, Brigitte Maréchal, Christian Moe (eds.) *Yearbook of Muslims in Europe*, Brill, 2010, Volume 2.
- “Estonia”, in Jørgen S. Nielsen, Samim Akgönül, Ahmet Alibašić, Brigitte Maréchal, Christian Moe (eds.) *Yearbook of Muslims in Europe*, Brill, 2010, Volume 2.
- “Latvia”, in Jørgen S. Nielsen, Samim Akgönül, Ahmet Alibašić, Brigitte Maréchal, Christian Moe (eds.) *Yearbook of Muslims in Europe*, Brill, 2010, Volume 2.
- (together with Göran Larsson) “A different approach to the history of Islam and Muslims in Europe: a North-Eastern angle, or the need to reconsider the research field”, in *Journal of Religion in Europe*, Issue 3, 2010.
- “Islam in Lithuania”, in Göran Larsson (ed.) *Islam in the Nordic and Baltic Countries*, Routledge, 2009, pp. 116-132.

Scholarships, Grants, Awards

- Fulbright Grant for teaching and research at Fordham University, USA, 2007
- Central European University Summer School scholarship, Hungary, 2001 and 2003
- Center for International Mobility scholarship, Finland, 2001
- Nordic Institute of Asian Studies grant, Denmark, 2000 and 2001
- University of Helsinki Foreign Student grant, Finland, 2000 and 2001
- Fulbright scholarship for MA program at New York University, USA, 1997-1998
- Arabic as a Foreign Language scholarship, Kuwait University, Kuwait, 1992-1994

Other Academic Activities

- Founding member (together with Göran Larsson) of the *Network of Tatar Studies around the Baltic Sea*.
- Co-editor (together with Antonina Zhelyazkova) of the edited volume-in-progress *Islamic Leadership in the European Lands of the former Ottoman and Russian Empires*.
- Member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Muslims in Europe* (Brill).