

A close-up photograph of a person's hands working on a craft project. The hands are applying red paint or ink to a piece of paper. A red stamp is visible on the paper. The background is a collage of various colors and textures, including a blue and white torn paper effect at the top.

# ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT 2020

**Transparency International Lithuania (TI Lithuania)** is a non-profit, non-political organization, which aims to implement transparency and anti-corruption initiatives. It is a national chapter of the global "Transparency International" network and was established on the 6th of June, 2000.

In the current annual report, we present the details of the initiatives implemented in 2020 as well as the most important achievements of the year.

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# OUR ACHIEVEMENTS OF 2020

## 1. WE HELPED:

- ▶ More than **81 THOUSAND PEOPLE** independently seek more transparency through transparency.lt, manoseimas.lt, manovalstybe.info, stirna.info and other online tools;
- ▶ Nearly **500 STUDENTS FROM 16 SCHOOLS** in all Lithuania discuss the integrity at school;
- ▶ **9 SCHOOLS** bring together more than **1400 COMMUNITY MEMBERS** to decide on how to use the part of their school budget;
- ▶ Members of "Integrity Network of Schools" include more than **7000 STUDENTS** to celebrate the International Anti-Corruption Day;
- ▶ More than **300 PEOPLE** agree on anti-corruption priorities in their organizations.

## 2. WE INVOLVED:

- ▶ More than **5700 PEOPLE** into discussions on transparency and integrity by organizing and participating in various events;
- ▶ Various partners into discussions on measurable anti-corruption change by organizing **94 ADVOCACY MEETINGS**;
- ▶ More than **300** representatives from various sectors into **WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION, BUSINESS INTEGRITY** and **PARTICIPATORY BUDGET FORUMS**.

## 3. WE CONTRIBUTED TO:

- ▶ The improvement of regulation **OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES** and **PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION**, better **WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION, CLEARER USE OF GDPR** in the public sector;
- ▶ The activities of the initiative **"CLEAR WAVE"** as well as **OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP** and **"DATA BOARD"** working groups.

## 4. WE FOUND OUT THAT:

- ▶ **1 OUT OF 3** executives of a state and municipality-owned enterprises were connected to political parties;
- ▶ **7 OUT OF 10** of heads of municipalities publish their agendas;
- ▶ **1 OUT OF 4** municipalities implement participatory budgeting;
- ▶ **44 POLITICIANS, CIVIL SERVANTS AND THEIR SPOUSES** in 2019 in Lithuania owned **1 OUT OF 10** media outlets;
- ▶ From 2016 to 2020 **TWO THIRDS** of parliamentarians published at least one meeting with interest groups;
- ▶ Parties in parliamentary elections **COMMITTED TO PUBLISH** whom they meet and to open more data;
- ▶ The prevention of money laundering in the real estate sector is **NOT EFFECTIVE ENOUGH**;
- ▶ **1 OUT OF 5** paid political ads on Facebook targeted a specific group of people;
- ▶ During the first wave of COVID-19 the institutions **MAY NOT HAVE BEEN AWARE OF ONE-TENTH** of the money spent on the fight against the pandemic;
- ▶ **9 OUT OF 10** public sector institutions provided the employees with an opportunity to report possible corruption.

## 5. WE GATHERED:

- ▶ **283 VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS** into our alumni network;
- ▶ **130 YOUTH LEADERS FROM MORE THAN 60 COUNTRIES** for the eleventh virtual Transparency International School on Integrity;
- ▶ **EVERY FIFTH (201) SCHOOL IN LITHUANIA** into the "Integrity Network of Schools".

# I. INFORMATION ON TI LITHUANIA

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The current report contains TI Lithuania's organizational structure, strategic goals and objectives.

## **Objectives and the nature of the TI Lithuanian chapter and achievements during the financial year**

Transparency International Lithuanian Chapter (TI Lithuania) is a non-profit, non-political organization. It is a national chapter of the global Transparency International network and was established on the 6th of June, 2000. The founder of this organization is the Open Society Fund Lithuania.

**The objective of TI Lithuania** – to encourage and organize civil initiatives for transparency and anti-corruption in Lithuania.

## **Our main priorities are:**

1) promoting civic engagement and supporting transparency, anti-corruption initiatives and the creation of new partnerships:

- creation of initiatives that promote transparency and zero tolerance towards corruption;
- inclusion of public leaders and institutional partners to the activities of TI Lithuania;
- ensuring comprehensive protection for whistleblowers.

2) creating standards:

- creation and promotion of transparency standards.

3) sustainability of TI Lithuania's activities:

- leading by example as a strong organization;
- striving to maintain sustainable growth.

TI Lithuania's strategy for 2016-2020 can be found [here](#).

On the last day of the reporting period (December 31st, 2020) there were **six employees at the institution, three shareholders and five members of the board. 16 volunteers and interns** helped with the implementation of the initiatives.

We thank the following interns and volunteers for their help in 2020: Agnė Eidimtaitė, Austėja Šataitė, Deividas Bačiulis, Domas Lavriukaitis, Egidijus Grygolaitis, Eglė Vaitekėnaitė, Evelina Bubelo, Gabija Žukauskaitė, Greta Kunauskaitė, Indrė Rudelytė, Katsiaryna Pushkarova, Milda Martinkutė, Rugilė Katinaitė, Rūta Vyšniauskaitė, Sofiia Zhuchyk, Vitalija Adomaitytė.



## EMPLOYEES

In total, 9 employees contributed to the activities of TI Lithuania during 2020. You can find more information on them [here](#).



**Sergejus Muravjovas**  
CEO



**Ingrida Kalinauskienė**  
COO



**Rugilė Trumpytė**  
Project Leader



**Ieva Dunčikaitė**  
Project Leader



**Ieva Kimontaitė**  
Project Coordinator



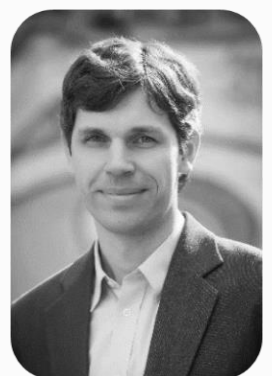
**Deimantė Žemgulytė**  
Project Coordinator



**Ieva Gailiūnaitė**  
Project Coordinator



**Deividas Bačiulis**  
Project Coordinator



**Skirmantas Bikelis**  
Associate Lawyer

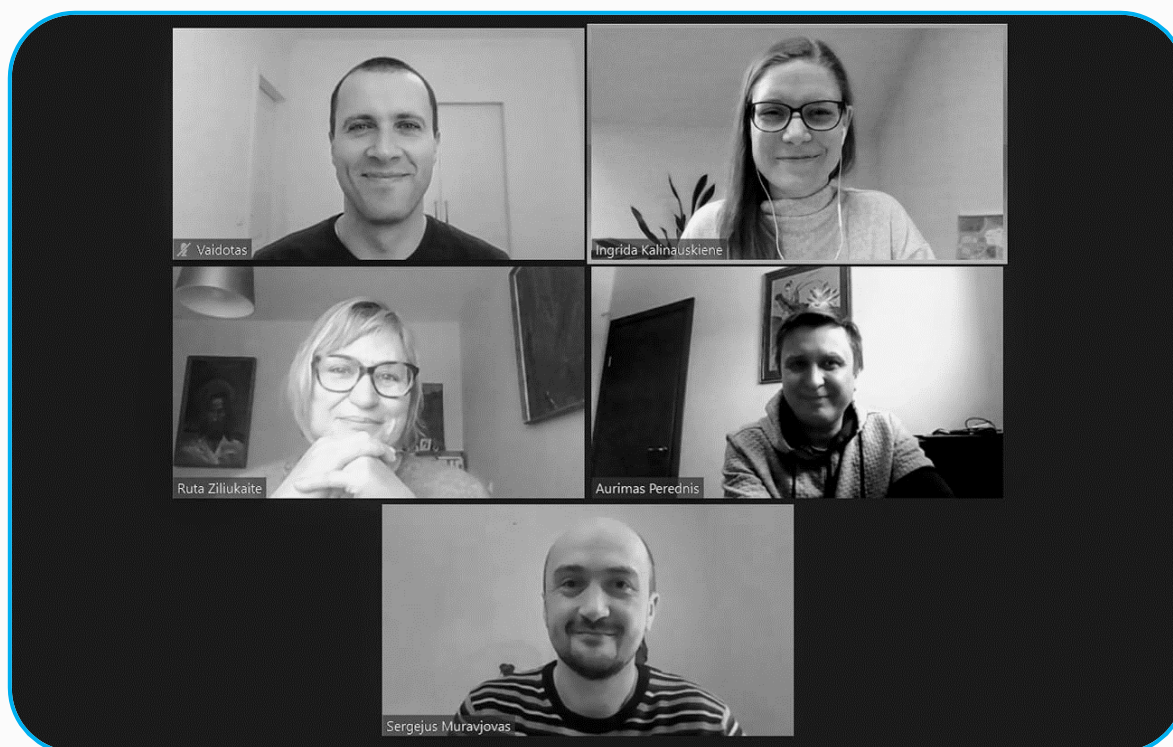
## SHAREHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Shareholders of TI Lithuania: Aurimas Perednis, Sergejus Muravjovas ir Rūta Žiliukaitė.

Members of the board: Ainius Lašas, Justina Gineikienė, Marius Barys, Simona Laiconaitė ir Vaidotas Beniušis.

You can find more information [here](#).

	Shareholder	Date of contribution	Amount of contribution
1.	Aurimas Perednis	2014-01-28	100 LTL / 28,96 EUR
		2018-06-07	21,04 EUR
2.	Sergejus Muravjovas	2014-01-27	100 LTL / 28,96 EUR
		2018-06-01	21,04 EUR
3.	Rūta Žiliukaitė	2018-04-30	50 EUR
Total:			150 EUR



*A moment of TI Lithuania`s shareholders meeting.*

## II. ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE

### REPORT 2020

Item no.	Items	Current Reporting Period	Previous reporting period
<b>I.</b>	<b>INCOME</b>	<b>231902</b>	<b>295098</b>
1.	Income from services provided, goods sold	49593	109541
2.	Income from financing	181405	183322
3.	Other income	904	2235
<b>II.</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>233667</b>	<b>315569</b>
1.	Services provided, cost of goods sold	52262	54568
2.	Operating costs	175013	260213
3.	Other costs	6392	788
<b>III.</b>	<b>OPERATING RESULT BEFORE TAX</b>	<b>(1765)</b>	<b>(20471)</b>
<b>IV.</b>	<b>INCOME TAX</b>		
<b>V.</b>	<b>NET OPERATING RESULT</b>	<b>(1765)</b>	<b>(20471)</b>

\* The amounts are in line with the organization's financial statements on the day of submission of the report to the Legal Entities Register.

#### Fixed assets acquired and disposed in 2020

In 2020 TI Lithuania acquired two computers (Lenovo ThinkPad L490, value 1 049,00 EUR).  
TI Lithuania did not dispose any long-term assets in 2020.

#### TI Lithuania's expenses during the financial year of 2019, including labour costs

Expenditures		Amount, EUR
1.	Salaries	161466
2.	Depreciation of fixed assets	581
3.	Implementation of programs and projects, organization of events	16704
4.	Work trips and travel expenses	1528
5.	Other expenditures	53388
Total:		233667

#### Management expenses from non-project funds:

Expenditures		Amount, EUR
1.	Salaries	33313
2.	Other expenditures	18949
Total:		52262

#### Details about the executive director of TI Lithuania: expenditures for salary

55 417 EUR for salaries (including all taxes) was paid to the Transparency International Lithuanian Chapter's Executive Director Sergejus Muravjovas in 2020.

#### Salary expenses for collegial body members

No expenses of this kind occurred in 2020.

#### Expenses for persons related to the institutional shareholders

No expenses of this kind occurred in 2020.

## III. ACCOUNTABILITY (FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY) REPORT 2020

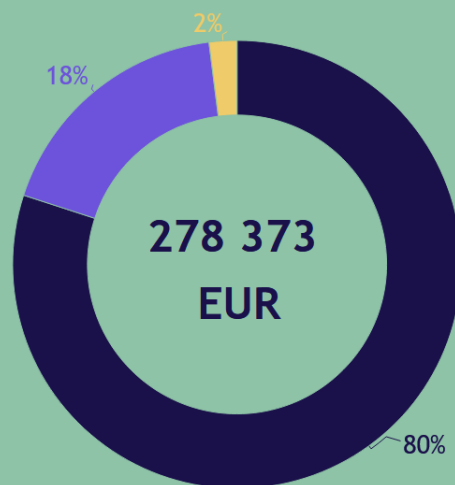
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This part of the report presents a detailed breakdown of the revenue received over the course of the year 2020.

Additional information about TI Lithuania's funds from previous years can be found [here](#). The annex contains a detailed breakdown of the sources of revenue – displaying each donor and project funded activities.



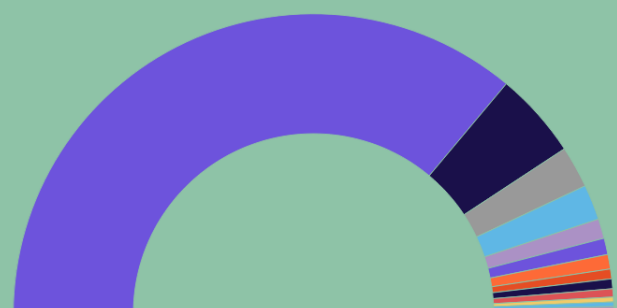
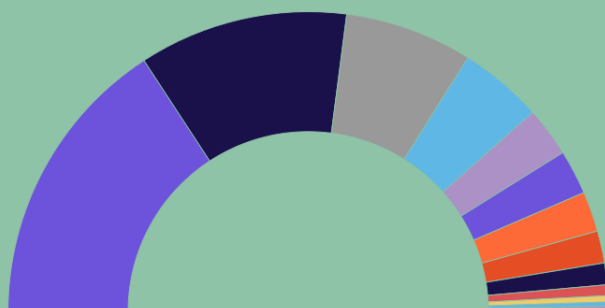
# TI Lithuania's income sources 2020



● Project funds ● Non-project funds ● Income tax donations

**Project funds:**  
**221 632,98 Eur**

**Non-project funds:**  
**56 739,97 Eur**



- Transparency International Secretariat / European Commission
- EEA and Norway Grants Active Citizens Fund
- German Embassy Vilnius
- Transparency International Secretariat / Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and the Rule of Law
- The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)
- Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania
- Transparency International Secretariat / Hewlett Foundation
- Lithuanian Junior Doctors association / EEA and Norway Grants Active Citizens Fund
- Transparency International Secretariat / Foundation to Promote Open Society
- Taiwan Foundation for Democracy
- Embassy of France in Vilnius
- Transparency International Secretariat
- The Kazickas Family Foundation
- NGO Goodwill Projects
- Transparency International School on Integrity 2020 participants' fees
- Income tax donations
- Open Contracting Partnership
- Lithuanian Cancer Patient Coalition
- National Non-Governmental Development Cooperation Organisations' Platform
- Swedish Institute
- SMK University of Applied Social Sciences
- International business association "Verslo saitai"
- Transparency International Latvia
- Mokymų klubo projektai
- Eastern Europe Studies Centre (EESC)
- Donations by physical persons
- Sanofi-Aventis Lietuva
- European Humanities University
- Transparency International Estonia

**TI LITHUANIA INCOME SOURCES 2020 01 01 – 2020 12 31:**

	Income, EUR	Percentage
<b>PROJECT FUNDS</b>		
Transparency International Secretariat / European Commission	69 994,30	25,14%
European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund	49 905,00	17,93%
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany	30 500,00	10,96%
Transparency International Secretariat / Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor	20 000,00	7,18%
The German Marshall Fund of the United States	11 833,72	4,25%
Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania	10 625,00	3,82%
Transparency International Secretariat / Hewlett Foundation	9 600,00	3,45%
Lithuanian Junior Doctors' Association / European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund	7 676,00	2,76%
Transparency International Secretariat / Foundation to Promote Open Society (FPOS)	5 180,00	1,86%
Taiwan Democracy Strengthening Fund	2 559,51	0,92%
Embassy of France in Vilnius	1 500,00	0,54%
Transparency International Secretariat	1 000,00	0,36%
Kazickas Family foundation	899,69	0,32%
VšĮ „Geros valios projektai“	359,76	0,13%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>221 632,98</b>	<b>79,62%</b>
<b>NON-PROJECT FUNDS</b>		
Transparency International School on Integrity 2020 participant fees	40 964,67	14,72%
Personal income tax for TI Lithuania	5 263,76	1,89%
„Open Contracting Partnership“	2 557,54	0,92%
Pagalbos onkologiniams ligoniams asociacija (POLA)	2 160,00	0,78%
Lithuania Development Cooperation Platform	1 200,00	0,43%
Swedish Institute	1 000,00	0,36%
VšĮ „Socialinių mokslų kolegija“	890,00	0,32%
International Business Association „Verslo saitai“	600,00	0,22%
Transparency International Latvia Chapter	600,00	0,22%
MB „Mokymų klubo projektai“	500,00	0,18%
VšĮ „Rytų Europos studijų centras“	300,00	0,11%
Donations	274,00	0,10%
UAB „Sanofi-Aventis Lietuva“	200,00	0,07%
European Humanities University	130,00	0,05%
Transparency International Estonia Chapter	100,00	0,04%
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>56 739,97</b>	<b>20,38%</b>
<b>Total funds:</b>	<b>278 372,95</b>	

## IV. INITIATIVES CARRIED OUT IN 2020

In 2020, TI Lithuania carried out 16 initiatives: “Integrity Pacts”, “Towards Local Transparency 2.0”, “Transparency International School on Integrity”, “Implementation of International Anti-corruption Measures”, “Political Integrity”, “Fostering Integrity among Youths”, “Money Laundering Prevention”, „Developing patient - centered healthcare institutions“, “Creation of Sustainable Partnerships in the Baltic Sea Region”, “Political Influence in Media”, “Municipal Transparency”, „Open data“, „Political advertising online“, „Whistleblower protection“, „Business bribery abroad“, „NVO Atlas“.

In this part of the report we present all implemented initiatives including their duration, budget for the implementation, sources of funding and the main results in 2020 (the initiatives are listed according to the size of their budget).

### INTEGRITY PACTS

**Initiative duration:** January 2016 – December 2021

**Budget:** 471 870 EUR

**Source of funding:** European Commission (via the Transparency International Secretariat)

Integrity Pacts is a model offered by the international anti-corruption movement Transparency International, which aims to increase the level of transparency, accountability and good governance in public procurement. The initiative consists of incorporating an independent monitor into public procurement processes. TILC has been monitoring two projects by Vilnius City Municipality. More information can be found online at: [www.transparency.lt/saziningumo-susitarimai](http://www.transparency.lt/saziningumo-susitarimai)

In 2020 TI Lithuania, together with experts from “JUREX” and “SWEKO” enterprises, continued reviewing procurement documents, and presented its insights and comments to the representatives of Vilnius City Municipality and Vilnius Development Company. The project also carried out, together with the Open Contracting Partnership,<sup>1</sup> an evaluation of COVID-19 procurement in the first wave, with the aim of gaining a better understanding of the scale of procurement in COVID-19 in order to increase transparency in health sector spending and encourage to use of better quality open data for decision-making. Because of that, TI Lithuania sent inquiries to 12 hospitals where most of COVID-19 patient were held and contacted major buyer-organizations of products related to COVID-19 in order to clarify data for January – May, 2020, released by the Public Procurement Office. It turned out that during the first wave of the pandemic, monitoring authorities and decision-makers may not have been aware of about 10% money spent on fighting a pandemic. Contracting authorities submitted an additional 136 contracts with 73 suppliers for almost 8 million euros. More information: [www.transparency.lt/covid\\_pirkimai/](http://www.transparency.lt/covid_pirkimai/)

<sup>1</sup> 3 000 USD service contract to implement the initiative.

## TOWARDS LOCAL TRANSPARENCY 2.0

**Initiative duration:** September 2020 – January 2023

**Initiative budget:** 166 500 EUR

**Source of funding:** European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund, TI Lithuania co-funding (10 proc.)

The aim of this initiative is to increase the transparency and accountability of local government politicians, public administration institutions and other organizations operating in the regions, and to better involve local communities in decision-making.

TI Lithuania implements the initiative together with project partners: 10 partner schools, Kaunas University of Technology, Faculty of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, LCC International University, Young Doctors and Citizens Foundation Iceland. 2020 TI Lithuania has started preparatory activities for the project implementation.

## TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ON INTEGRITY

**Initiative duration:** January – December, 2020

**Initiative budget:** 55 846 EUR

**Source of funding:** Transparency School participants' fees, The German Marshall Fund of the United States, Taiwan Democracy Strengthening Fund

Since 2010, TILC has been organizing the annual Transparency International School on Integrity ([www.transparencyschool.org](http://www.transparencyschool.org)) to provide global youth leaders enhanced knowledge on corruption and tools to increase transparency and accountability in their countries.

In 2020, the 11th Transparency School on Integrity was held and the first one to be held virtually. It welcomed 120 young leaders from more than 60 different countries. Since 2010, the Transparency School has gathered more than 1 300 alumni from more than 120 countries.

During a week of intensive training, participants attended lectures and workshops led by anti-corruption professionals from Lithuania and other countries. More information: [www.transparencyschool.org](http://www.transparencyschool.org).

## IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES

**Initiative duration:** May 2018 – November 2020

**Initiative budget:** 50 096 EUR

**Source of funding:** European Commission (via "Transparency International" Russia)

The aim of the initiative - in cooperation with “Transparency International” (TI) Russia to prepare 8 studies on how member states of the Council of Europe are implementing Criminal Law and Civil Law Conventions on Corruption and to discuss these findings with TI Russia colleagues in order to better understand what both countries could learn from GRECO recommendations.

In 2020, TI Lithuania has worked with partners on prepared studies and related questions on topics such as whistleblowers protection, institutional immunity, conflicts of interest management practices, criminalization of corruption in the private sector and financing of political campaigns.

## POLITICAL INTEGRITY

**Initiative duration:** January 2019 – March 2021

**Initiative budget:** 33 365 EUR

**Source of funding:** European Commission (via the “Transparency International” Secretariat), TI Lithuania (10% co-funding)

The aim of this initiative – to encourage integrity and openness in politics, lessen the possible occurrences of corruption by creating an interactive database, which would be free of charge for journalists, voters and other interested people. Also, regularly (every six months), to conduct an overview of the meetings of Parliament members with the registered lobbyists, seeking to encourage them to declare the most important meetings or those that seeks to influence legislative projects.

In order to promote more transparent and open decision-making in Lithuania, TI Lithuania has updated the [www.manoseimas.lt](http://www.manoseimas.lt) interactive tool, where visitors can quickly and easily find out how Seimas members announce their agendas and report on meetings with various interest groups, participation in events, meetings with other politicians.

TI Lithuania also reviewed how parliamentarians announced their meetings with interest groups and registered lobbyists during 2019 autumn and 2020 spring plenary sessions, sharing the results and suggestions with each member of the Seimas. From the beginning of 2016-2020 parliamentary term, two thirds of parliamentarians (100 out of 154) announced at least one such meeting (3968 meetings in total). A brief overview of the results - on the next page, more information: [www.transparency.lt/parlamentaru-susitikimai-su-interestu-grupemis](http://www.transparency.lt/parlamentaru-susitikimai-su-interestu-grupemis).

TI Lithuania has also contributed on improving the regulation of lobbying.

Towards 2020 election of Seimas, TI Lithuania submitted a questionnaire to all candidate parties on their anti-corruption commitments in the coming term. Two-thirds of parties (12 out of 17) indicated that they would seek to publicize meetings with interest groups. When asked about the most important anti-corruption goals, one third of the parties indicated that they would strive for greater transparency and efficiency of public procurement, 4 parties would stricter penalties for corruption offenses. More information: <https://bit.ly/3A5IPU8>



# PUBLISH WHOM YOU MEET:

AN OVERVIEW OF MEETINGS HELD BY LITHUANIAN MPs

2016-2020  
PARLIAMENTARY TERM

1. Since the beginning of the term, **100 MPs** declared at least one meeting with interest groups and registered lobbyists.

Overall MPs declared **3968 MEETINGS**.

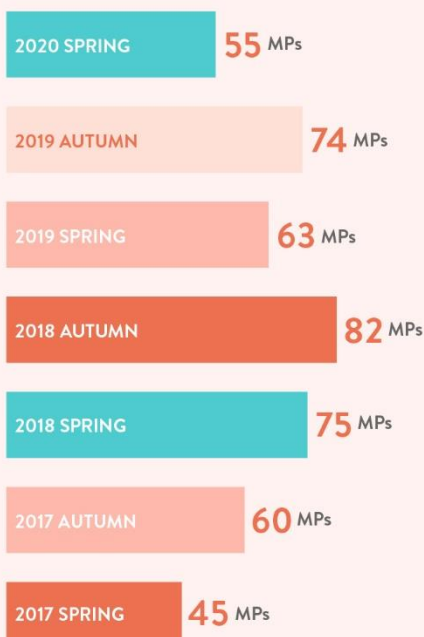
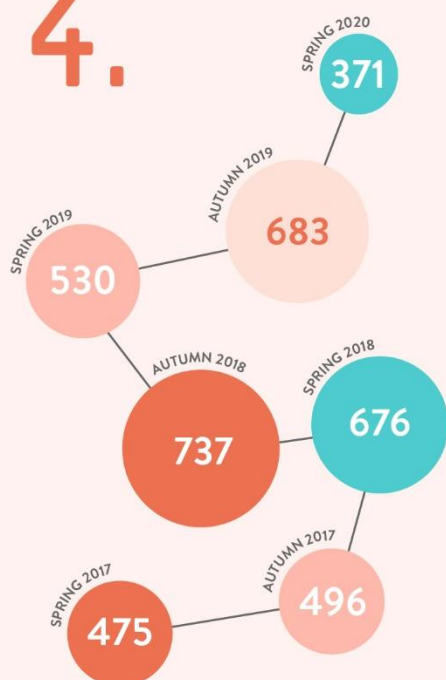
\* Due to MP's changes, there was a total of 154 parliamentarians during this term.



## 3. WHO DID MPs MEET WITH?



## 4.



## 2. WHO ARE THE MOST ACTIVE MPs?



\* MP until 2019-11-28

## 5. SPRING SESSION 2020



## PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AMONG YOUTHS INITIATIVES

**Initiative duration:** January 2020 – August 2021

**Budget:** 39 487 EUR

**Source of funding:** German Embassy in Lithuania, French Embassy in Lithuania, Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania, Aukok.lt, TI Lithuania co-funding

The aim of this initiative is to encourage Lithuanian municipal and school leaders to implement a participatory budget in their environment by jointly deciding on part of the use of their municipality's or school's funds, thus better involving the community in decision-making processes.

2020 TI Lithuania helped 9 Lithuanian schools - Prienai "Žiburio", Šakiai "Žiburio" gymnasiums, Šiauliai "Rasos" progymnasium, Šilalė Simono Gaudėšiaus, Švenčionys district Pabradė "Ryto" gymnasiums, Ukmergė Old Town progymnasium, Utena Adolfo Šapokos, Vilnius district Eitimininkų and Vilnius Simono Konarskio gymnasiums communities to implement participatory budget initiatives, during which the students decided how to use between 750 and 1,500 euros. In order to better involve students in school decision-making and increase their civic literacy, the initiative involved students discussing school needs, learning how to make financial decisions in schools, cities, making suggestions, and voting on how to spend part of the school budget. In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, TI Lithuania, together with schools, carried out some of the activities virtually.

In 2020, TI Lithuania also conducted a review on how Lithuanian municipalities involve citizens in decision-making, which revealed that one in four municipalities (15 out of 60) are implementing participatory budgeting, and 9 out of 10 municipalities report that they have sought to involve citizens in municipal life at least once since the beginning of 2019. In autumn 2020, TI Lithuania helped the municipalities of Klaipėda City, Klaipėda District and Tauragė to prepare for the implementation of participatory budgets in their communities and schools. For more information on participatory budgeting initiatives: [www.dalyvaujamasbiudzetas.lt](http://www.dalyvaujamasbiudzetas.lt).

In 2020, the Fairness Schools Network retained up to 201 members, connecting one in five schools from over 110 locations in Lithuania. In 2020, TI Lithuania engaged the schools that joined the network in transparency activities by organizing discussions with students about what fairness and happiness mean to them at school and in their environment. TI Lithuania met virtually with 8 schools from different regions of Lithuania: Semeliškės Gymnasium, Kėdainiai "Ryto" and Radviliškis Vinco Kudirkos progymnasiums, Šiauliai Sanatorium School, Šiauliai Sports Gymnasium, Šiauliai Adult School, Širvintos Gymnasiums of Gelvonų and Užvenčio Šatrijos Raganos.

In 2020, TI Lithuania, as it does every year, invited, this time virtually, the Integrity Schools Network community to celebrate the International Anti-Corruption Day, by participating in a musical interactive session with Jurgis Didžiulis. TI Lithuania engaged more than 7,000 schoolchildren in the celebration of Anti-Corruption Day.

## MONEY LAUNDERING PREVENTION

**Initiative duration:** April 2019 – June 2021

**Initiative budget:** 36 042 EUR

**Source of funding:** “Transparency International” Secretariat

The aim of the initiative is to identify the biggest risks related to money laundering in the real estate (RE) and financial technology sectors in Lithuania, to understand the scale of the problem, and how money laundering is prevented in Lithuania.

In 2020, TI Lithuania carried out a pilot study on money laundering prevention in the real estate sector. For this review, TI Lithuania conducted 15 semi-structured qualitative interviews with representatives of institutions and bodies responsible for the prevention of money laundering, and submitted formal data requests to seven Lithuanian institutions. TI Lithuania also organized a public consultation during which the participants of the study and representatives of the responsible institutions were presented with the main insights of the study and the recommendations published in the study were discussed with the participants. The full TI Lithuania study on money laundering in the real estate sector is available here: <https://bit.ly/3h7VAVn>

TI Lithuania also brought together more than 200 people - auditors, notaries, representatives of banks operating in Lithuania and representatives of various Lithuanian institutions - for virtual training on money laundering prevention. During the seminar, Graham Barrow, an expert from the United Kingdom, shared his experience and knowledge.

As Lithuania and Vilnius grow in their ambitions to become a financial technology (FinTech) center, the question arises whether we are properly assessing the risks involved and whether we know what they are. In order to answer these questions, in 2020, TI Lithuania started to develop a methodology, to engage with specialists in the field and money laundering prevention experts.

## DEVELOPING PATIENT - CENTERED HEALTHCARE INSTITUTIONS

**Initiative duration:** October 2020 – February 2022

**Initiative budget:** 20 150 EUR

**Source of funding:** Lithuanian Junior Doctors’ Association (European Economic Area and Norway’s Active Citizens Fund), TI Lithuania co-funding

The aim of this initiative is to promote the implementation of evidence-based, patient and worker centered healthcare principles in Lithuanian healthcare institutions.

At the end of 2020, TI Lithuania, together with the Young Doctors' Association (JGA), Kaunas City Polyclinic (KMP) and Kelmė District Mental Health Centre (KRPSC), started the implementation of the project's activities, which aim to strengthen the organizational culture of health care institutions, to be able to measure the

patient's satisfaction in order to improve the quality of their services, and to help the health care institution's management to better understand the level of burn-out of their employees.

## CREATION OF SUSTAINABLE PARTNERSHIPS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

**Initiative duration:** September 2018 – October 2020

**Budget:** 14 453 EUR

**Source of funding:** Swedish Institute (via “Transparency International” Sweden), TI Lithuania co-funding

The aim of this initiative is to work with Transparency International chapters in Sweden and Russia to promote good examples of transparency in business, to strengthen partnerships and good governance in organizations and look for ways how to be even more sustainable.

In 2020, TI Lithuania, together with the Special Investigation Service, organized at least two events for the business community. For the first time, a Transparency Talks discussion was held, attended by at least 40 representatives of foreign embassies in Lithuania, chambers of commerce and foreign capital companies. The second Business Transparency Forum was also held with more than 80 participants from the private sector, state and municipally-owned companies, business associations, etc. During the events, TI Lithuania and its partners shared the results of their research, presented the main challenges and trends, and sought to help participants better understand how to manage corruption-related risks in their business.

## MEDIA TRANSPARENCY

**Initiative duration:** April 2020 – December 2020

**Initiative budget:** 10 500 EUR

**Source of funding:** Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany

The aim of the initiative is to contribute to more transparent media by providing public information on media owners.

TI Lithuania has updated [www.stirna.info](http://www.stirna.info) with the latest data on media owners in 2020, based on information from the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania and the Radio and Television Commission, in order to promote media transparency and the disclosure of data on media owners and managers. The updated results showed that 44 politicians, their spouses and civil servants owned 101 media outlets. More information: [bit.ly/3qDpFAt](https://bit.ly/3qDpFAt).

## MUNICIPAL TRANSPARENCY

**Initiative duration:** January – December 2020

**Initiative budget:** 8 168,56 EUR

**Source of funding:** Personal income tax for TI Lithuania, donations

The aim of the initiative is to contribute to greater transparency in local government by encouraging municipal leaders to regularly publish their meetings with interest groups and municipal companies to publish information about their leaders, and to ensure proper monitoring of conflicts of interest.

In spring 2020, TI Lithuania reviewed the agendas of 194 mayors, deputy mayors and directors of administration of Lithuanian municipalities between 18 March 2019 and 17 March 2020. The analysis of the agendas included a review of how municipal leaders publish their agendas and a count of the entries in their regular official working calendars and on the website [manosusitikimai.lt](http://manosusitikimai.lt), which indicate which interest groups they met with. The analysis showed that 7 out of 10 municipal leaders (146 out of 194) publish their agendas, while one in five mayors (13 out of 60) publish permanent agendas, which allow them to see the meetings they have held since the beginning of their term of office.

TI Lithuania has also updated [www.manovalstybe.info](http://www.manovalstybe.info) with data on the changes of CEOs of the largest municipal (MSEs) and state-owned enterprises (SOEs) and their links to political parties up to December 2019, and compared them with October 2017. The number of executives with links to political parties and associations has decreased over the two years, from 3 out of 10 in 2019 to 4 out of 10 in 2017. Read more: [www.transparency.lt/vvi-svi-2020/](http://www.transparency.lt/vvi-svi-2020/).



# STATE AND MUNICIPALITY OWNED ENTERPRISES:

EXECUTIVES AND  
THEIR CONNECTIONS  
TO POLITICAL PARTIES

No. 2



1.

**1 OUT OF 10 STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISE (SOE)**

**4 OUT OF 10 MUNICIPALITY-OWNED ENTERPRISE (MOE)**

**EXECUTIVES** are connected to political parties

2.

Most executives are associated with

**SOCIAL DEMOCRATS**

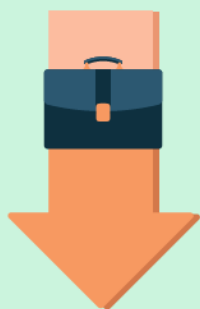
**FARMERS-GREENS**

**CONSERVATIVES**

**LIBERALS**

**LABOUR**

3.



**6 TIMES**

fewer SOE and MOE executives have been in office for longer than

**20 YEARS**

4.

**3 OUT OF 10**

SOE and MOE executives are associated with political parties, 4 out of 10 in 2017



5.

How many MOEs saw leadership change after municipal elections?

**2019** 25 MOEs

**2015** 59 MOEs

**2011** 31 MOE

**2007** 38 MOEs

This study is an update on the analysis of 100 largest municipality-owned and state-owned enterprises initially conducted by TI Lithuania in October 2017. This review covers the period from that date to December 2019.

**20** TRANSPARENCY  
INTERNATIONAL  
Lietuvos skyrius

More information:  
[www.manovalstybe.info](http://www.manovalstybe.info)

Financed from 2 per cent income tax donation of 2019

## OPEN DATA

**Initiative duration:** March 2020 – March 2021

**Budget:** 7 400 EUR

**Source of funding:** Transparency International Secretariat

The aim of this initiative is to stimulate a conversation about the creation of a register of final beneficiaries in Lithuania.

Through this initiative, TI Lithuania aimed to stimulate a conversation about the creation and opening of a register of final beneficiaries in Lithuania and to answer the question of what measures would be needed to do so, together with the representatives of the responsible institutions and open data enthusiasts. In order to achieve these objectives, TI Lithuania participated in meetings (11), public events (6), and Open Government Partnership activities, submitting its proposals for the newly developed 5th Open Government Partnership Action Plan.

## POLITICAL ADVERTISING ONLINE

**Initiative duration:** July 2020 – December 2020

**Budget:** 5 874 EUR

**Source of funding:** Transparency International Secretariat

With this initiative, TI Lithuania sought to better understand to what extent and how the main parties and their list leaders running for the Seimas elections are using political advertising on Facebook, and what challenges this may pose to the transparency of election campaigns.

In September-October 2020 TI Lithuania monitored the daily Facebook communications of the five most popular parties and their leaders at the time to understand how much campaigners were spending on Facebook advertising and the challenges of social media advertising. It turned out that targeted advertising is also gaining popularity in Lithuania, with one in five politicians' paid advertisements being targeted. The rates on social networks and the reasons for their differences are also unknown, as the cost of one ad per day could vary by a factor of 8 for different parties and by almost 20 times for party leaders. For more information: <https://bit.ly/3vHvKNx>.

The TI Lithuania team also worked with colleagues from the Transparency International movement on a study on the opportunities and challenges related to transparency and accountability of online political advertising, which would stimulate a conversation in the region about better regulation and monitoring of online political advertising. More information: <https://bit.ly/2SsgRAX>

# POLITICAL ADVERTISING ON FACEBOOK:

## WHAT DID THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION 2020 LOOK LIKE?

1.

**FOR 532 ADS, WHICH WERE SHOWN 3245 TIMES,**

5 parties and their leaders spent at least

**55 THOUSAND EUROS**



2.

Parties' leaders posted

**TWICE AS MANY MARKED POSTS IN PUBLIC PROFILES THAN IN THE PRIVATE ONES**



3.

**EVERY 5th PAID AD WAS TARGETED**

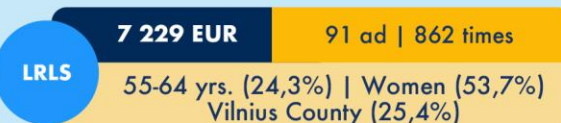
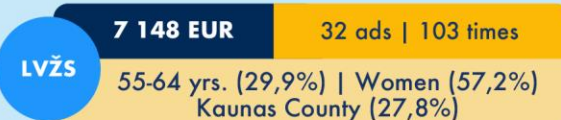
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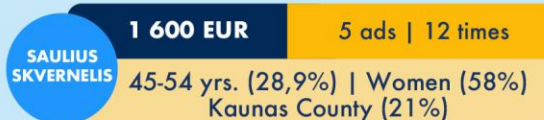
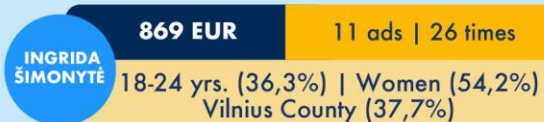
4.

How much was spent on political advertising and who did it target?

**PARTIES**



**LEADERS**



This pilot initiative is based on publicly available entries and political ad expenses on Facebook of the five top-ranked parties, according to poll results available at the beginning of September, and their campaign leaders. Monitoring period: September 11 - October 10, 2020.

## WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION

**Initiative duration:** May – November 2020

**Budget:** 5 502 EUR

**Source of funding:** European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund, TI Lithuania co-funding.

The aim of the project is to find out how public sector bodies are implementing the Whistleblower Protection Act and to better understand the challenges they face in ensuring secure channels for whistleblowing.

As part of the project, TI Lithuania sent a questionnaire to 117 public sector bodies to find out how many of them have internal whistleblowing channels in place, how they protect whistleblowers, and what challenges they face in ensuring such channels functioning. It showed that while 9 out of 10 public sector bodies allow their staff to report possible corruption, illegal or unethical behavior, a quarter do not ensure that this can be done safely. TI Lithuania shared these and other insights during a public consultation (with more than 200 participants) to encourage public sector institutions to better implement the Whistleblower Protection Law. For more information: <https://bit.ly/3nRC6Ye>

## BUSINESS BRIBERY ABROAD

**Initiative duration:** February – December 2020

**Budget:** 1 000 EUR

**Source of funding:** "Transparency International" Secretariat

The aim of the initiative is to assess how countries are fulfilling their international obligations to investigate business corruption abroad. The countries assessed are signatories to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions.

TI Lithuania has published the results of the study, which shows that Lithuania has been awarded 2 points for the investigations it has started and is one of the countries with limited compliance with its international obligations to investigate business corruption abroad. The study was carried out by the Transparency International (TI) Secretariat, together with TI's national offices and experts in all OECD Member States, as well as China, India, Hong Kong and Singapore. TI Lithuania also organized a roundtable discussion with Lithuanian businesses operating abroad, their associations and the responsible authorities to understand the main challenges faced by businesses.

## NGO ATLAS

**Initiative duration:** January – December 2020

**Initiative budget:** 899,69 EUR

**Source of funding:** Kazickas Family foundation

“NGO Atlas” is the first register of NGOs in Lithuania, which provides an easy way to find any public entity, association or charity fund registered in Lithuania. Here users may filter organizations according to their field of work, city or municipality and track their accountability.

The NGO Atlas allows you to find out how many staff members an NGO typically employs, how long it has been running, and find out how you can contribute to the work of the NGOs you are interested in. Once registered, NGOs receive information on donor calls for proposals, NGO seminars and can search for partners for their activities. In 2020, TI Lithuania continued to develop the NGO website NVOatlasas.lt, which had more than 2000 organizations in 2020. More information: [www.nvoatlasas.lt](http://www.nvoatlasas.lt)



## V. ANNEX

### Annex No. 1.

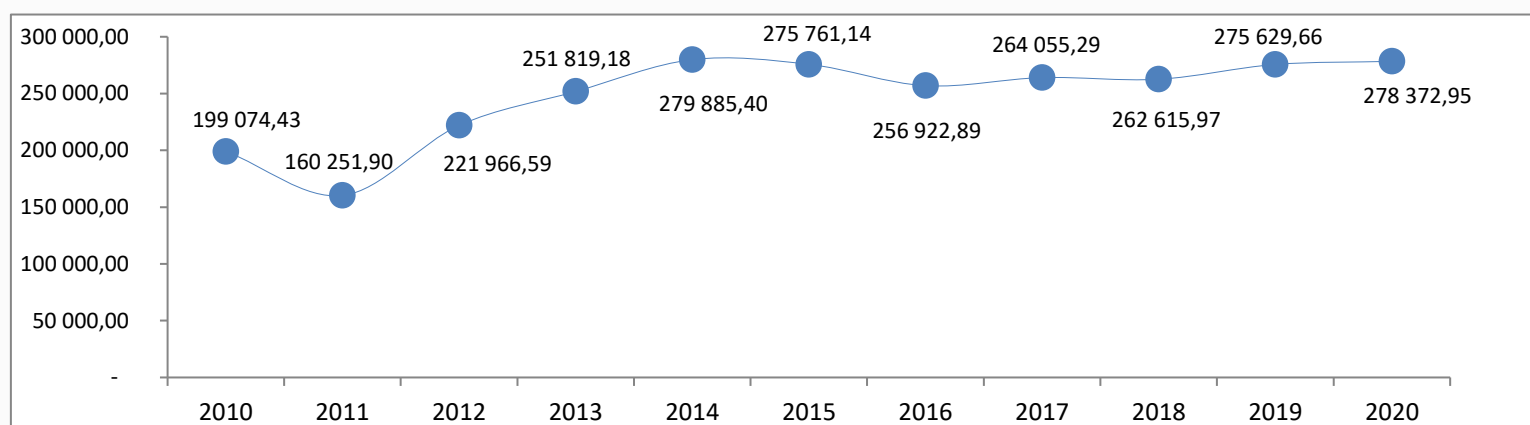
A breakdown of project receipts is provided - from which donors the funding was received during the reporting period and which activities it will be used to implement.

The funds received and their sources during 2019 (refer to initiatives below)	During the reporting period, funds received (EUR)	Type of expenditure
<b>"Transparency International" Secretariat / European Commission</b> Integrity Pacts	56.696,30	Administrative costs of the initiative, salaries, stationery, promotion of the initiative, design and programming, participants' travel expenses, accommodation, catering and other related costs.
<b>European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund</b> Towards Local Transparency 2.0	44.955,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, office supplies, project publicity costs, design and programming costs, travel of project participants, other project costs.
<b>"Transparency International" Secretariat</b> Money Laundering Prevention in the financial technology sector	20.000,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, publicity costs, design costs, travel and accommodation costs for project participants, other project costs.
<b>Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany</b> Participatory budget initiatives	20.000,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, travel of project participants, other project costs.
<b>The German Marshall Fund of the United States</b> Transparency International School on Integrity	11.833,72	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, other project costs.
<b>Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania</b> Participatory budget initiatives	10.625,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, publicity costs, design, travel of project participants, other project costs.
<b>Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany</b> Media transparency	10.500,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, programming costs, other project costs.
<b>"Transparency International" Secretariat / Hewlett Foundation</b>	9.600,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, other project costs.

Preventing money laundering in the real estate sector		
<b>Lithuanian Junior Doctors' Association / European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund</b> „Developing patient - centered healthcare institutions“	7.676,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, other project costs.
<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat / European Commission</b> Transparency Fellowship programme	7.424,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, office supplies, project publicity costs, design costs, project participants travel, accommodation, meals, other project costs.
<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat</b> Open data	5.180,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, publicity costs, travel of project participants, other project costs.
<b>European Economic Area and Norway's Active Citizens Fund</b> Whistleblower protection	4.950,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, other project costs.
<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat</b> Political advertising online	3.574,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, other project costs.
<b>Taiwan Democracy Strengthening Fund</b> Transparency International School on Integrity	2.559,51	Design, programming and other project costs.
<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat</b> Political advertising online (preparation of an international study)	2.300,00	Wages.
<b>Embassy of the French Republic</b> Participatory budget initiatives	1.500,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, travel of project participants, other project costs.
<b>Kazickas Family foundation</b> NGO Atlas	899,69	Salaries, programming costs, other project costs.

<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat</b> Corruption abroad 2020	500,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, other project costs.
<b>“Transparency International” Secretariat</b> Business bribery abroad	500,00	Project administrative costs, salaries, design costs, other project costs.
<b>VšĮ „Geros valios projektai“</b> Fostering academic integrity among youths	359,76	Project administrative costs, salaries, other project costs.
<b>Total:</b>	<b>221 632,98 EUR</b>	

Annex No 2. TI Lithuania funds from 2010:





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