



KLAIPĖDA UNIVERSITY



...“Independent mind and the spirit of the sea”

Where we are?

Geographical situation:

- Located on the eastern coast of the Baltic Sea, on the dividing line between Western and Eastern civilizations.

Neighbouring countries:

- Latvia,
- Belarus,
- Poland,
- Russia.





Lithuania: Facts

Official language:

Lithuanian - the oldest living Indo-European language.

Area:

65.300 km².

1/3 of the area covered by forests and 4.5% by inland waters. More than 2,800 lakes larger than 0.5 hectares, 18 rivers longer than 100 kilometers.

Population:

2.99 million people.

National currency:

Litas

From 1st January 2015 Euro

1 Eur = 3.4528 Lt.

Form of Government:

Parliamentary democracy.

Largest cities (number of inhabitants):

Vilnius (the capital) - 535,631,

Kaunas - 315,993,

Klaipėda - 162,360.

Ethnic composition (%):

Lithuanians 84.2%,

Polish 6.6%,

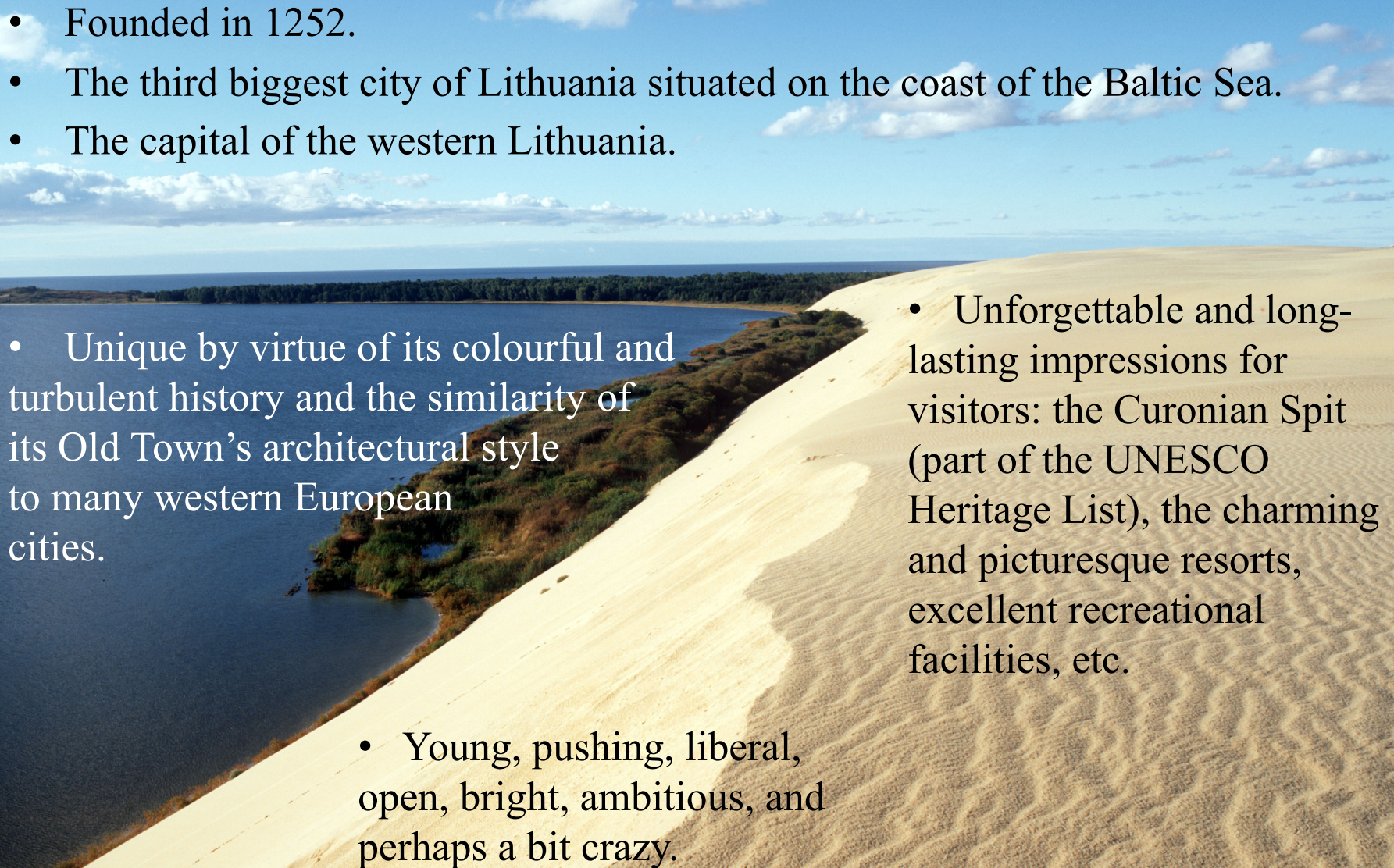
Russians 5.8%,

Others 3.4%.

The total number of nationalities living in Lithuania is 115.



Klaipėda

- Founded in 1252.
 - The third biggest city of Lithuania situated on the coast of the Baltic Sea.
 - The capital of the western Lithuania.
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- Unique by virtue of its colourful and turbulent history and the similarity of its Old Town's architectural style to many western European cities.
 - Young, pushing, liberal, open, bright, ambitious, and perhaps a bit crazy.
 - Unforgettable and long-lasting impressions for visitors: the Curonian Spit (part of the UNESCO Heritage List), the charming and picturesque resorts, excellent recreational facilities, etc.

Klaipėda University

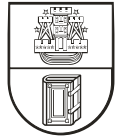
- Established in 1990, started its academic activities in 1991.
- The only structurally full-rate University in the western part of Lithuania where a perspective industrial and commercial potential and marine complex are developed and distinctive cultural traditions are cherished.
- More than **5,000** students, **3,500** independent auditors, **1,300** staff, including **500** professors, associate professors, and lecturers;
- **7** faculties, **1** study and **2** scientific research institutes.
- Three levels of studies: (1) undergraduate, (2) postgraduate or/and specialized professional studies, and (3) doctoral studies.
- Language of instruction: Lithuanian (official), English and Russian (courses and programs for international students).





Klaipėda University

- Preparation of professionals in areas of: biomedicine, physical, humanitarian, social, technology, science and art.
- Distinctive and unique by its scientific researches and studies in marine topics.
- Develops as an autonomous and modern scientific and study centre.
- Dominant and unique trends at the University: scientific research, artistic activity and academic activities.
- Administers fundamental and applied research, is engaged in educative, cultural, consultative and experimental activities, and meets the unique requirements of Lithuania as a maritime state.
- Our values: accountability and openness, diversity, humanism, continuous improvement of research, study and management activities, and autonomy.



KLAIPĖDOS UNIVERSITETAS

Mission & Priorities

- Research in marine science and marine studies;
- Development of the Baltic Sea Region: history, culture and languages, arts, education, health and social welfare, economy and policy, communications;
- Sustainable development of Western Lithuania and Klaipėda town;
- Development of an integrated science, studies and business centre (Valley).



**Center for research, arts and studies! Center in the Baltic Sea region!
Humanistic values! Highly skilled professionals!**

The structure

Faculties at Klaipėda

University:

- Faculty of Arts;
- Faculty of Pedagogy;
- Faculty of Humanities;
- Faculty of Social Sciences;
- Faculty of Health Sciences;
- Faculty of Marine Engineering;
- Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.



Study institute:

- Institute of Continuing studies.

Scientific research institutes:

- Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology;
- Marine Science and Technology Centre

International Degree Programs



Undergraduate Studies (Bachelor's Degree):

- Sea Port Engineering;
- Electrical Engineering;
- Mechanical Engineering;
- Naval Architecture;
- Hydrology and Oceanography;
- Recreation and Tourism;
- Social Work;
- English – German/French Linguistics;
- English Philology;
- Music Education;
- Nursing.

Postgraduate study programs (Master's Degree):

- Electrical Equipment and Automation in Industry;
- Technology Control;
- Ecology and Environmental Science;
- Marine Hydrology;
- Tourism and Recreation Management;
- European Studies;
- Education and Protection of Child Rights;
- Social Work;
- Social Pedagogy;
- Piano Pedagogy;
- Music Education;
- Wind and String Music;
- Nursing.

Doctoral study programmes:

- Ecology and Environmental Studies.

International non-sequence study programmes:

- International Theatre Directing Course.

Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

- The faculty consists of: 5 departments.
- Located in the unique historical neo-gothic style building.
- Successful integration of the natural, physical, technological sciences and arts' activities.
- The faculty researchers are characterized by high scientific production, innovations.
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- Original accredited degree programs that no other Lithuanian universities have are taught at the faculty (e.g., hydrology and oceanography).
- Study programs are constantly updated to reflect the changes in the international and Lithuanian market while maintaining the valuable individuality and exclusivity features.
- Lecturers and young scientists' innovation is encouraged: participation in scientific meetings, international conferences, applied science works.

Faculty of Marine Engineering

- The faculty consists of:
- 7 departments and Maritime Institute;
- One of the oldest higher education institutions established in Klaipėda in the postwar years.
- One of the largest in Klaipėda university: approx. 800 students, 100 lecturers, more than a half of whom have the degrees of doctors or habilitated doctors and the titles of professor or associate professor.
- After finishing 1st level studies at the University one receives a bachelor's degree in engineering while after finishing graduate studies a master degree in engineering is received.
- Students have a possibility to use educationally rich and specialized literature, reading-room, and computer center which belong to the faculty.

Faculty of Marine Engineering, Maritime Institute



- Graduates have in-depth transportation engineering theoretical and practical capabilities (organizing and implementing operation of effective, secure, economic and environmentally-friendly ship and port energy, technological equipment, the mechanisms and means of transportation etc.).

Those who finish bachelor studies at the Maritime Institute work as:

- 2nd and duty vessel engineers – 42%;
- Technicians and managers – 45%;
- Individual business owners – 13%.

Those who finish master studies work as:

- Lecturers at the higher education institutions, managers of the departments – 18%;
- Managers of the technical services and divisions – 27%;
- Directors of the marine complex companies and institutions – 15%;
- Technical specialists of the marine complex – 23%;
- The owners of the individual businesses – 17%.

- Founded in 1997.
- Sailors (vessel mechanics and skippers) with the capabilities to manage are prepared.
- Scientists at the Institute are working on international scientific researches with the partners from abroad (Finland, Sweden, Poland, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Ukraine).

Faculty of Humanities



- The faculty consists of: 8 departments and 4 centers, about 600 students and 90 lecturers (about half of them are professors and associate professors).
- Studies, scientific, cultural and educational activities are organized.
- In the last 5 years: 30 monographs and source publications and a scientific journal *Res Humanitariae* have been published, more than 300 scientific articles announced.

- Provides the possibilities for all degree programs' students to pass practical training in more than 20 different universities of the European Union.
- The faculty is truly proud of its library, computer classes, rooms with multimedia, audio and video equipments, specialized rooms for foreign languages.
- About 30 000 of valuable publications necessary for the study processes and scientific research have been accumulated.



Faculty of Arts

- Began its activity in 1971.
- The faculty consists of: 7 departments, 1 institute, 2 laboratories and 1 teaching/study theater.
- Music, theater, dance and art specialists are trained (art group leaders, teachers or performers).
- landscape architectures and painters are trained.



Faculty of Arts

- The students of this faculty are the winners of the local, international and worldwide competitions and championships.
- A large group of the faculty's artists worthily represent their faculty and take part in foreign competitions, concerts and festivals.



Faculty of Pedagogy



- Located in the central part of the city – in one of the most impressive buildings of the port city.
- The faculty consists of: 6 departments and 1 center.
- Experts in different educational fields are being qualified here for more than 100 years.
- There are about 800 full-time and external students studying in this faculty.
- A number of highly qualified lecturers, more than 40 of whom have the doctoral degrees, the pedagogical titles of professors or associate professors.

Faculty of Social Sciences



- The faculty consists of: 7 departments, 1 center and 1 editorial office.
 - One of two largest faculty in the whole University.
 - There are more than 1,000 full-time and external students and about 101 lecturer, scientist and researcher.
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- This faculty has grown up a number of rectors for Klaipėda University and a number of people very well-known in Lithuania and abroad.
 - The faculty is proud of its students who are dynamic, positive and actively take part in the life of the University.



Faculty of Health Sciences

- The faculty consists of 6 departments, more than 1,200 students, and 102 lecturers (professors, associate professors, lecturers, researchers or study supporting staff).
- Strives to become a modern higher education institution integrated into the country's and foreign universities' network where the educational process is closely linked to the research investigations and practical work in the field of health.
- The western Lithuanian climate gives an opportunity to actively develop various activities aimed at the recreation and health promotion.
- The main mission of the faculty: to prepare highly qualified specialists who can provide a health-specific service in order to meet the requirements of a private and public health promotion service as well as carry out the research activity necessary to strengthen and protect human health.

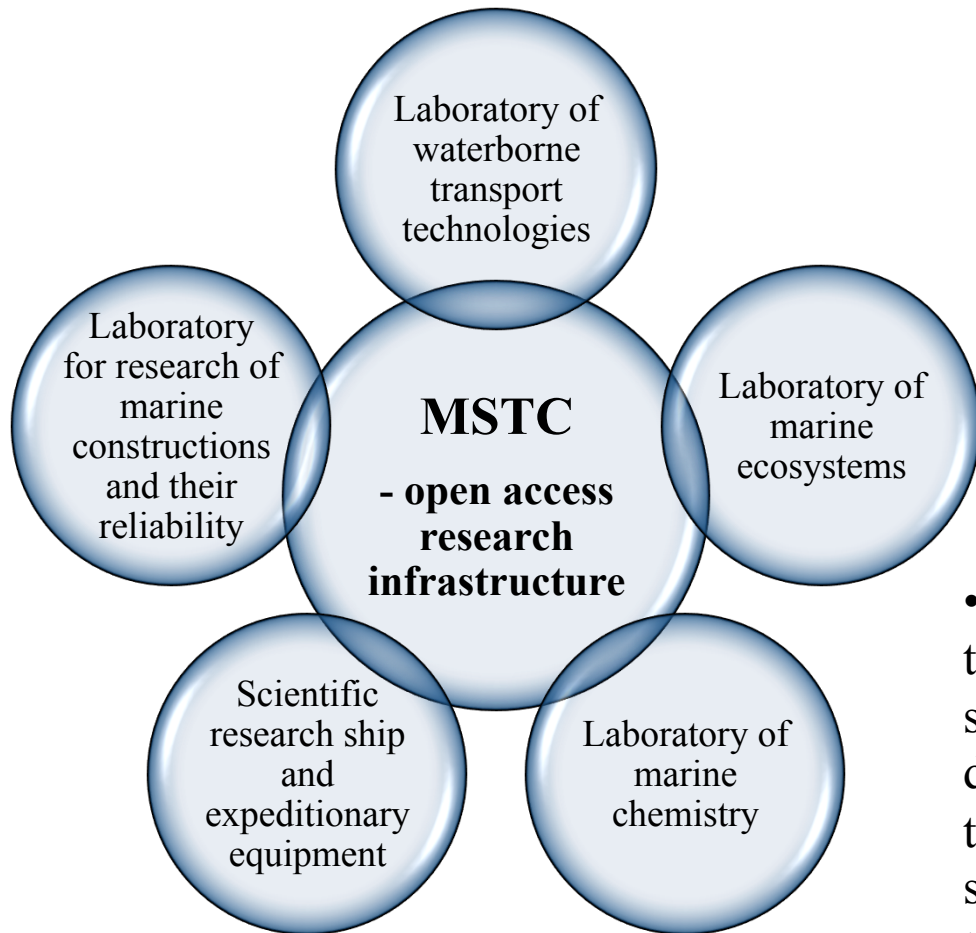
Institute of Continuing studies

- A structural department of Klaipėda University opened in 1995.
- Also called a life-long learning centre.
- A flexible, modern, adaptable, and mobile institution of a balanced development which provides high quality service and strives to develop the coloboration with different Klaipėda University's departments, country's and foreign academic, scientific and other institutions; integrates academic, scientific and pratical activity; organizes and realizes the scietific studies.
- It organizes the courses (for driving instructors, etc.) and events during which the participants (teachers, andragogs, health care specialists, etc.) can improve or change their qualifications.



- By collaborating with the University's faculties of Health Sciences, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Humanities, and Pedagogy prepares and implements shortened continuing education study programs for those with secondary, college, university or higher education equivalent to it.

Marine Science and Technology Centre



- Marine Science and Technology Centre (MSTC) is an interdisciplinary centre of Klaipėda University that offers open access research facilities, resources and services for maritime research and technological development.
- One of major objectives of MSTC is the creation of infrastructure for scientific research and experimental development in Klaipėda University on the basis of open access principles and security of its efficient employment in technological development of scientific research and studies within Lithuanian marine sector.

Baltic Coastal Research and Planning Institute

- An independent education and research institution of Klaipėda University which is carrying fundamental and applied scientific research on international level, and preparing scientists and highly qualified specialists.
- In order to meet the needs of the regional business, this Institute is carrying out applied research work ordered by businesses, private and governmental institutions.
- The service provided by the Baltic Coastal Research and Planning Institute is focused on the implementation of the integrated coastal zone management principles and purposes of a harmonious strategy development including:
 - reduction of the economic activity impact to the environment;
 - more effective use of natural resources and waste management;
 - protection of biological diversity of water and land ecosystems;
 - protection and rational management of coastal landscape;
 - and the reduction of global climate change and its consequences.

Mechatronics Science group

- Scientific study areas developed in this Institute:
 - machine dynamics and reliability;
 - the analysis of various systems (such as nanostructures, electromechanical energy conversion, etc.);
 - and design.
- The studies regarding the technological equipment materials, dynamics, and reliability of construction are made.
- Here various experimental courses are taking place during which more than 80 Lithuanian and Latvian students are trained to work with a modern hardware and platform software.



Institute of Baltic Region History and Archaeology



- Gathers the scientists who analyze cultural contacts and cultural change in prehistoric and historic times in Baltic Sea region by applying the theories and methodologies of various science fields (fundamental research).



- The applied research within this Institute covers mostly the scientific excavation that increases the sphere of the archeological findings that are encouraged by a desire not to lose valuable tangible relicts due to ongoing urbanization process and destructive economic activity in the cultural heritage areas.

International students at Klaipeda University

Number of international students at Klaipėda University:

- In 2010 – 92 students;
- In 2011 – 115 students;
- In 2012 – 129 students;
- In 2013 – 143 students;
- In 2014 – 144 students.
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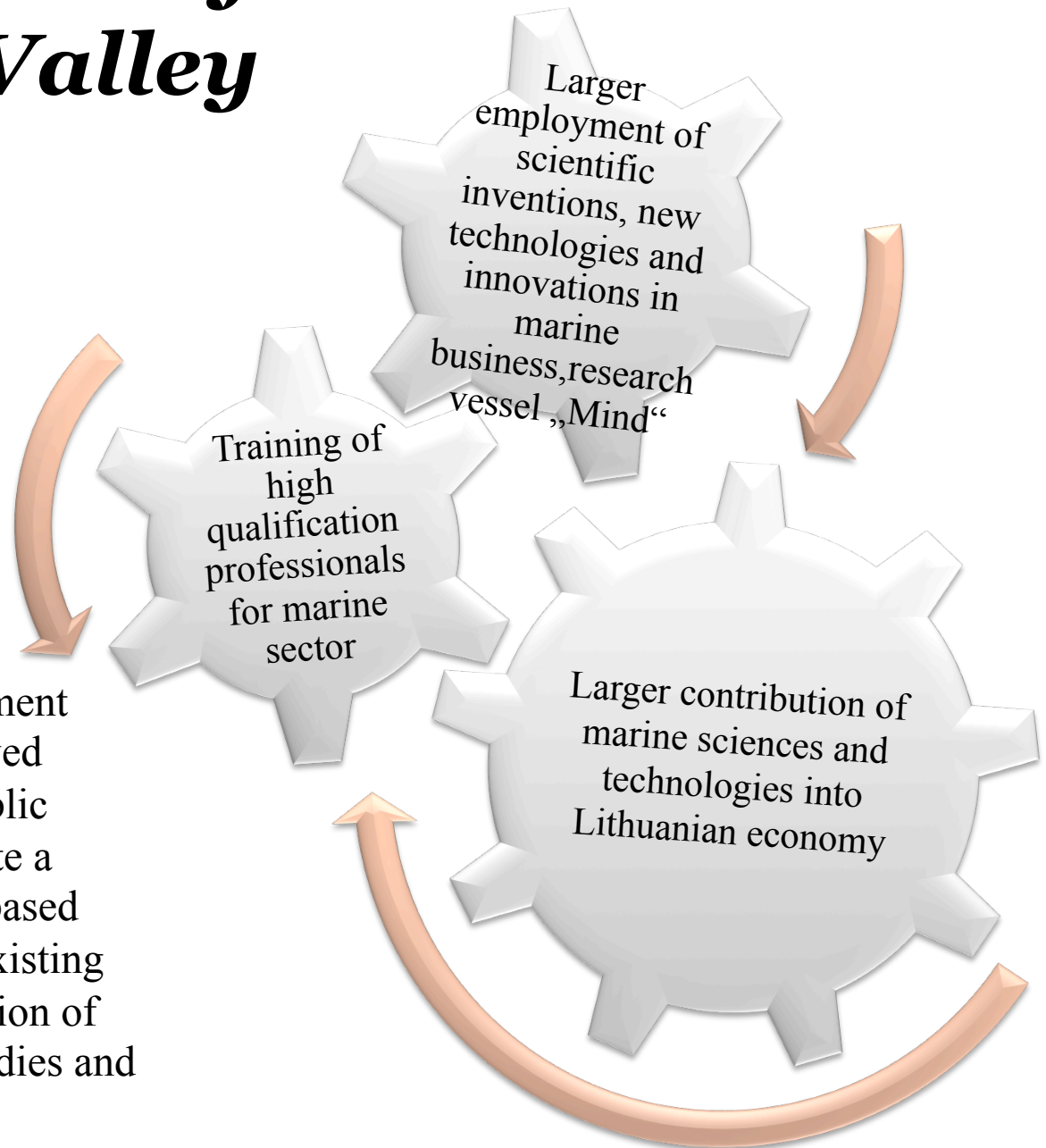
Foreign countries represented by our international students:

Latvia	Azerbaijan	Russia
Poland	Germany	Ghana
Norway	Finland	Ethiopia
Sweden	Denmark	Japan
United Kingdom	Austria	Mexico
Belgium	Spain	Canada
Portugal	Italy	Peru
Turkey	Malta	Colombia
Cyprus	Luxembourg	



We are proud of... Marine Valley

- Marine Valley - is one of five Lithuanian integrated research, study and business centres (valleys) set up in Klaipėda.
- Klaipėda University - the main initiator and developer of the this valley.
- The Programme for Development of the Marine Valley was approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania with an aim to create a cluster of maritime knowledge-based economy by consolidating the existing potential and promoting integration of maritime research, academic studies and businesses.



Klaipėda University – the knowledge core of the Marine Valley

Main results to be achieved till 2015:

- 4 scientific open-access laboratories established; new building for scientific laboratories built (up to 5,200 m²).
- Vessel built for research and environmental monitoring with modern marine and coastal zone research expedition equipment.
- 12 study laboratories upgraded in 4 faculties.
- At least 60 new jobs created for scientists and researchers.
- 15 international R&D projects running.
- 2 new doctorate study programmes created.
- Technology business incubator built (up to 2,000 m²).
- Territory of 10 ha prepared for further investments (engineering and communication network).

The University of the Third Age

- In the University of Klaipėda so called Third Age University (U3A) is working.
- Its establishment in 2010 was initiated by the Faculty of Health Sciences. The profile of the Third Age University is health and a healthy lifestyle.



- In total about 1,000 listeners attend the lectures. Majority of the listeners are the elderly who are most often very interested in the health-related issues.

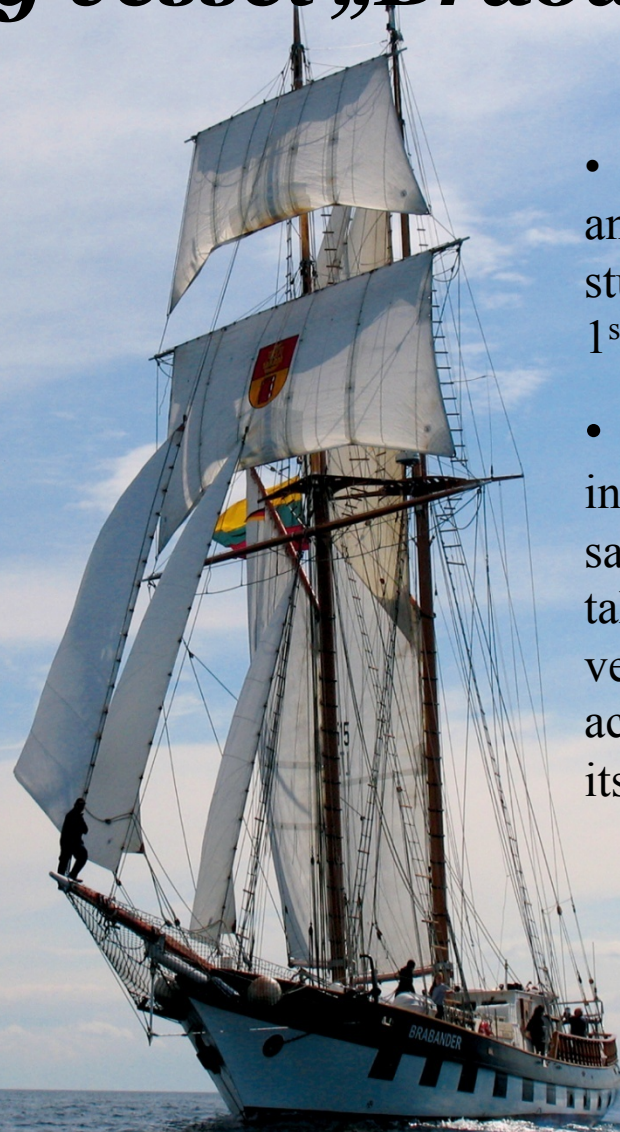
Dance champions “Žuvèdra” (“A tern”)



- 7 times World and 8 times European dance champions.
- The basis of the ensemble “Žuvèdra” are the students who often change.
- A new dancing program for the champions is created every 2 years.

The symbol of Klaipeda University – a schooner/sailing vessel „Brabander“

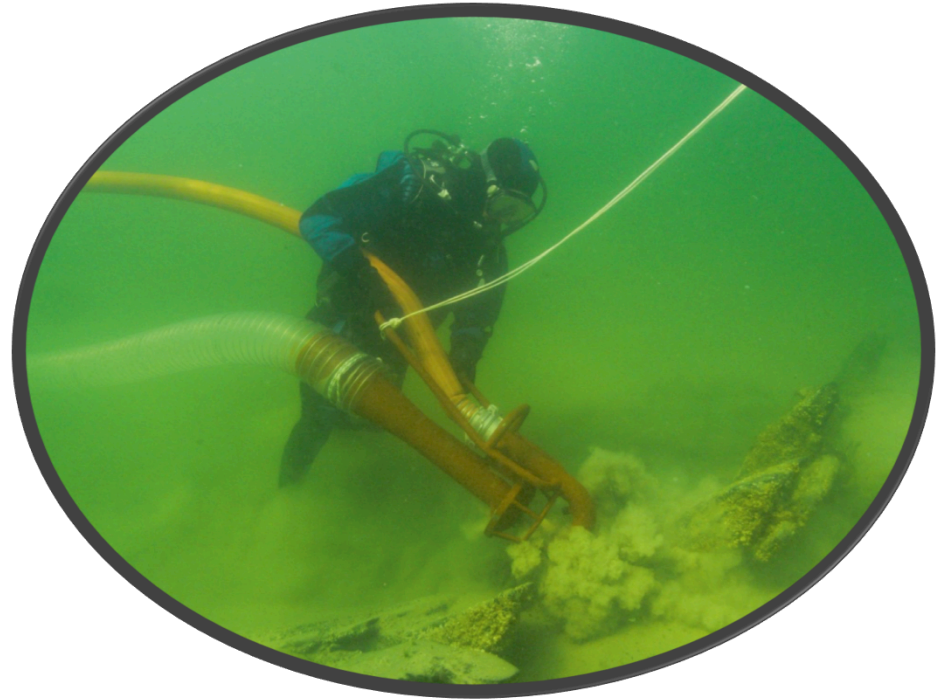
- It's a scientific research-training ship.
- It is used to explore the seabed, for scientific expeditions, educational activities and hydrological studies.
- Modern navigation equipment and modern safety equipment are installed and used in the vessel.
- It is the largest sailing vessel in Lithuania which often takes part in regatta, celebrations and parades.



- “Brabander” provides an opportunity for the students to perform their 1st seamanship.
- Every person indifferent to the sea and sailing activity is invited to take part in the sailing vessel “Brabander’s” activity and to be a part of its crew!

Yacht “Odisėja” (“Odyssey”)

- Educational ship which also simplifies the work of Klaipėda University’s scientists.
- Similarly to the sailing vessel “Brabander”, “Odisėja” became a scientific vessel for students as well as for the youth who want to learn how to sail.
- The deck of “Odisėja” is happy to meet everybody who wants to try to sail or to broaden one’s experience and is not afraid to work on the vessel during the spring!



- The beginners can gain experience and raise the level of their skill.

Botanical Garden

- The main aim: to collect, study and preserve rare plants, to provide conditions for the studies and public education, to create an environment where visitors and tourists can get acquainted with the plants.
- An important part of activity of the Botanical Garden: various educational exhibitions, celebrations, events and sightseeing tours.
- In the Botanical Garden students pass their practical training and collect the materials for course papers.



- Has the biggest dendrological plant collection.
- The collection of herbaceous ornamental plants is the 2nd by the number of species.
- The remaining part of the collection – the medicinal plants and herbs.

Student life

Student Clubs

- Sailors' club "Halzas".
- Sport club.
- KUSBTFC "Baltijos žaibas"
(the fan club of Klaipėda University's student basketball team).
- Rhythmic gymnastics team "Leader Dance".
- Economists' club.
 - Psychology club "SAVI".
 - Happy Naturalists' club.
 - Liberal thought and discussion club.
 - Alumni (faculty friends') club.



Events and possibilities for students

- The students of Klaipėda University belong to Erasmus Student Network (ESN) that takes care of the students and their matters of interest.



- Journeys, tours, international parties.
- Seminars when all higher education institutions and their international Students meet. The representation of the University, student socialization, and discussions take place during the event.

- A chance to pass practical training (e.g., children's home, hospitals, excursions to enterprises, on the sailing vessel "Brabander").
- Library.
- Language courses for those who want to additionally learn a language (Lithuanian, English, Spanish, Russian, German, etc.).



Other events

- Humanities Day.
- Students talents' evenings
“Atverk širdį pavasariui” (“Open your heart to spring”).
- Camps for freshmen or christening.
- Fiction creation contests, poetry evenings.
- Photography exhibitions.
- Student performances.
- University graduation celebration and others.



5 reasons why to choose us



Student life



The sea



Young & innovative



Diversity



Achievements

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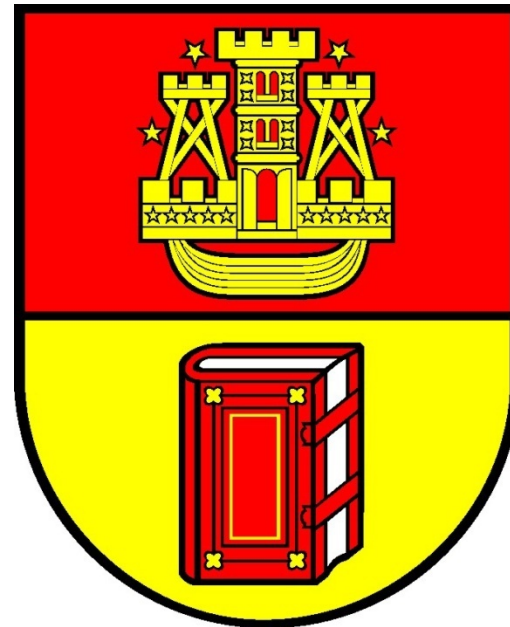
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