



International Federation of Language Teacher Associations  
Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes



*The newsletter is dedicated to the  
FIPLV Nordic-Baltic Region (NBR)  
upcoming Conference  
“Teaching and Learning Languages in the 21st Century:  
Linguistic, Educational and Cultural Aspects”*

**Language Teachers' Association of Lithuania (LKPA)**

Since the day of its foundation, 12 December 2006, the Association has been a prominent representative body of the language teachers of Lithuania, the only organization that unites teachers of all languages and of all levels of education.



The **mission** of the Association is to protect and promote the Lithuanian language, to promote multilingualism in Lithuania, to improve the quality of teacher training and

teacher development, professional competence and qualification, to unify efforts and activities of language teaching institutions and language teacher's associations.

The **activities** of the Association address professionals, policy makers, and the general public; LKPA works in various formats: discussions and debates on language policy in formal education, teacher training workshops and seminars across Lithuania, public events to promote languages and cultures.



“Google doc. as a Teaching Tool” workshop  
(January 2018)



The European Day of Languages event  
in the Vilnius City Hall (September 2017)



The Baltic Philologist Coffret Nomination  
(March 2017)



VDU and LKPA international conference  
(May 2017)

In cooperation with its Founding members (see more at <http://www.lkpa.vdu.lt/about-language-teachers-association/>), LKPA holds its annual international conferences (average number of participants 100-140), which strengthens networking and provides opportunities for professional development and cooperation. Here are some recent examples:

“Sustainable Multilingualism 2017” – in cooperation with VDU and IFL, VU

“Languages across Schools, Cultures, Borders: creativity, entrepreneurship and social inclusion” – September 2016.

“Sustainable Multilingualism: Language, Culture and Society” – May 2015.

“The Modernization of Language Teaching and Learning in Europe: Variety, Quality, the Importance to Mobility and Work”- May 2015.



Since 2007 LKPA has been an active member of FIPLV and its Nordic Baltic Region branch.

### ***SOME FACTS about FIPLV***

The **Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes**, founded in Paris in 1931, is the only international multilingual association of teachers of languages.

**FIPLV** has Non-governmental Organisation (NGO) consultative status with UNESCO and has representation as an NGO with the Council of Europe. Other strategic partners of FIPLV are **ECML** – European Centre of Modern Languages, Union of International Associations, EXPOLINGUA Berlin – International Fair for Languages and Cultures

**FIPLV** exists for the worldwide support, development and promotion of languages through professional associations. The Federation is active in over 100 countries and covers several hundred thousand teachers of languages worldwide.

The key authority of FIPLV is **the World Assembly**, which brings together the representatives of member associations every three years.

The World Council, which is comprised of representatives of the international unilingual associations, Regions of the Federation and national multilingual associations, meets annually.



The 2018 ACTFL Annual Convention and World Languages Expo of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) will be held November 16-18 in New Orleans, Louisiana; this year it will be incorporating the FIPLV World Congress as part of the convention.

The Convention features more than 800 educational sessions covering the whole spectrum of the language profession. The entire selection process is designed to provide attendees with an exciting array of sessions and events to further their knowledge and skills to become better, well-informed teachers and administrators. The Convention invites to join thousands of colleagues from around the world at the most comprehensive professional development event available to language educators today. Language educators at all levels and of all languages are welcome to submit a proposal.

The **Nordic-Baltic Region (NBR)** is one of the FIPLV branches in Europe; NBR President is Sigurborg Jónsdóttir, Iceland; NBR Secretary is Eglė Šleinotienė, Lithuania.

LKPA takes part in a wide range of NBR activities, both in virtual and face-to-face formats (FB, regular electronic newsletters, conferences etc.)

In 2016 LKPA President Roma Kriaučiūnienė and NBR Secretary Eglė Šleinotienė participated in **the FIPLV Nordic-Baltic region (NBR) Conference “The Language Teacher and the Teaching (are) at a crossroads”**, hosted by the Estonian Association of Foreign Language Teachers. The conference brought together 130 foreign language teachers from 20 countries: Austria, Australia, Bulgaria, Brazil, Finland, France, Hungary, Germany, Estonia, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russia, Slovenia and Turkey.

***THIS YEAR WE ARE MEETING IN VILNIUS!***

The **FIPLV Nordic-Baltic Region (NBR) Conference 2018 “Teaching and Learning Languages in the 21st Century: Linguistic, Educational and Cultural Aspects”** will be held on 7-8 June in Vilnius, Lithuania.

Conference webpage: <http://www.conference.uki.vu.lt/>

## CONFERENCE THEMES

Language Teacher Training and Development of Language Teachers' Competences  
Language Teaching and Learning for New Generation Students  
Teaching and Learning Less Widely Taught Languages  
Multilingualism and Intercultural Communication  
Linguistic Research

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

**Thomas H. Bak** – Professor, University of Edinburgh, UK.

**Manuel Célio Conceição** – Professor, University of Algarve, Portugal.

**Rob Dean** – an independent international teacher trainer and academic consultant, Pearson, UK.

**Terry Lamb** – Professor, Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, Secretary General and former President, FIPLV, Editor, International Journal of Innovation in Language Learning and Teaching, UK.

**Georg Lind** – Professor Emeritus, University of Konstanz, Germany.

**Steve Mann** – Associate Professor, Centre for Applied Linguistics, University of Warwick, UK.

**Iveta Vītola** – Pearson Central Europe Representative Office in the Baltics, Regional Manager for the Baltics, Latvia.

**Harun Serpil** – PhD, University of Anadolu, Turkey.

## CONFERENCE LANGUAGES

Plenary sessions and Round table discussion: English and Lithuanian

Presentation sessions: English, French, German, Lithuanian, Russian

## CONFERENCE ORGANISERS

NBR, Nordic Baltic Region of FIPLV, international multilingual association of teachers of languages (<https://fiplv.com/members-2/fipltv-regions/the-nordic-baltic-region/>)

Language Teachers' Association of Lithuania (LKPA) (<http://www.lkpa.vdu.lt/about-languageteachers-association>)

Institute of Foreign Languages of the Faculty of Philology, Vilnius University (<http://www.uki.vu.lt/en/>)

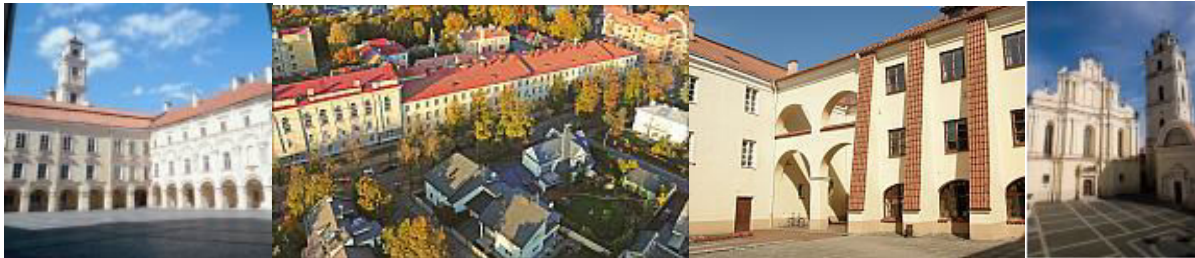
***On behalf of the organisers,  
We kindly invite you to take part in  
the FIPLV Nordic-Baltic Region (NBR) Conference 2018  
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**CONFERENCE VENUES:**

**Government of the Republic of Lithuania, 11 Gedimino Ave., LT-01103 Vilnius, Lithuania**



**Institute of Foreign Languages of Faculty of Philology, Vilnius University, 5 Universiteto St., LT-01513 Vilnius, Lithuania**



**You will be invited to join the excursion around Vilnius and visit the National Museum**

**Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania**

