

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND
ON CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELDS
OF CULTURE, EDUCATION AND SCIENCE

The Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the Government of the Republic of Finland, hereafter referred to as the Contracting Parties, desiring to strengthen the friendly relations between the two countries and being convinced that co-operation in the fields of culture, education and science in Europe will bring these two nations closer to each other, have decided to conclude this Agreement and have agreed as follows:

Article 1

With a view to promoting cultural co-operation the Contracting Parties

1. shall, for this purpose, make initiatives to make each other's cultural achievements well known by promoting the organisation of art, physical exercise, and youth events as well as of conferences and exhibitions and by encouraging the exchange of publications and translation of literature; the Parties shall also promote the use of the cinema, radio, television, and other mass media;
- 2.. shall encourage co-operation and direct contacts between representatives of the visual arts, literature, theatre, music, cinema, the library sector, archives, museums, the preservation of the cultural heritage, radio and television, the fields of physical exercise and youth activities, as well as non-governmental organisations;
3. shall encourage co-operation between educational establishments representing the fields of art and physical education, libraries, museums, theatres, and other cultural institutions;
4. shall encourage their citizens to participate in seminars, conferences and other meetings of experts as well as in exhibitions and contests.

Article 2

With a view to encouraging co-operation in the field of education the Contracting Parties

1. shall encourage and promote the exchange of information on the educational system.
2. shall encourage direct co-operation between institutions of higher education and research institutions, promote visits of researchers, teachers and educational specialists as well as research studies and student exchange and facilitate the implementation of joint research projects and access to the archives and libraries in accordance with the legislation concerned.
3. shall encourage teaching of the language, literature and history of the other country.

Article 3

With a view to increasing scientific co-operation the Contracting Parties

1. shall promote co-operation between institutions of higher education, scientific institutes and research centres,
2. shall encourage the exchange of representatives of institutions of higher education, scientific institutes and of other experts,
3. shall encourage the exchange of scientific publications,
4. shall encourage the organisation of scientific conferences, seminars and other events.

Article 4

For the purposes referred to in Articles 2 and 3 the Contracting Parties shall facilitate and support the exchange of researchers, teachers, and students at the level of higher education.

Article 5

1. The implementation of the present Agreement shall be followed up by a joint working group of the Contracting Parties, which shall comprise representatives of the ministries and government offices concerned. The working group will draw up periodical Plans of Action for the development of co-operation. The working group may invite experts.
2. The provisions concerning the economic terms of the co-operation are contained in the Plans of Action.

Article 6

This Agreement shall enter into force thirty days after both Contracting Parties have notified each other in writing, through diplomatic channels that the internal requirements necessary for its entry into force have been complied with.

This Agreement shall remain in force until further notice unless denounced in writing by either Contracting Party. The Agreement ceases to be in force after six months from the receipt of a written notice of termination.

Done at *Helsinki* this *10* th day of *November*, in duplicate in the English language, both texts being equally authoritative.

For the Government of the
Republic of Lithuania



For the Government of
the Republic of Finland

