

**AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC
ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CULTURE**

The Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania and the Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic (hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”),

wishing to develop and strengthen the friendly bonds and promote mutual understanding between the nations of both countries,

have decided to conclude this Agreement and have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties shall support cooperation in the field of music, in particular in the exchange of music ensembles, soloists and conductors, within the framework of direct cooperation between artistic institutions, music festivals, musical interpretation competitions and other events, exchanges of information materials, scores, specialized magazines, musicological literature, musical media as well as support the presentation of original works of authors of the partner country.

Article 2

The Parties shall contribute to the development of direct contacts between the theatre and dancing art institutions, theatre unions, associations, drama, puppet and other theatres of both Parties by organizing guest performances and other performances of theatre companies and individual performers and the participation of artists, art ensembles, dancing groups and theatre experts in theatre festivals based on mutual exchanges.

Article 3

The Contractual Parties shall support cooperation in form of the exchange of promotional materials, magazines and other publications in the field of audiovisual art and film.

Article 4

The Parties shall contribute to the initiation of direct cooperation between museums, galleries and art centres of the Republic of Lithuania and the Slovak Republic in order to promote the exchange of exhibitions, experts and information materials. They shall also inform each other about museology-related scientific conferences, seminars and symposia.

Article 5

The Parties shall contribute to the initiation of direct cooperation between libraries and exchanges of book exhibitions, methodological and bibliographical information as well as the participation of experts in seminars, scientific-practical conferences, trainings and symposia as well as literary festivals organized on the territories of their states.

Article 6

The Parties shall support cooperation in the field of protection and restoration of cultural heritage and contribute to the exchange of experts in order to get acquainted with the work experience in this field.

Article 7

The Parties shall support cooperation in the field of traditional folklore culture and cultural-enlighten activities through exchange of folklore ensembles and companies and individuals with interest-artistic activities in folklore festivals and other cultural events based on reciprocity.

Article 8

This Agreement shall enter into force on the day of signing and shall remain in force for a period of five years. After the expiry of this period, its validity shall automatically be extended for the further period of five years, unless one of the Parties notifies the other in writing through diplomatic channels of its intention to denounce it at least 6 months prior to the expiry of the period of validity.

Done at Vilnius, on 6 June, 2011, in two original copies in the Lithuanian, Slovak and English languages, each text being equally authentic. In case of divergence in the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement, the English text shall prevail.

**For the Ministry of Culture of
the Republic of Lithuania**

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**For the Ministry of Culture of
the Slovak Republic**

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