## Klaipėdos universiteto strateginės mokslo krypties "Visuomenės ir kultūros Baltijos pakrantėse" podoktorantūros stažuotės temos paraiška (2023–2025)

Stažuotės temos pavadinimas	Civil Society Organizations as Actors in Governance: The Role of Environmental NGO's in the Baltic Sea Region
Stažuotės mokslo kryptis (-ys), vykdantis padalinys, pradžia, trukmė	Political sciences, Dept of Public Administration and Political sciences, 2023.10.02 – 2025.08.29
Mokslinio tyrimo tikslas, uždaviniai, rezultatai (iki 1000 sp. ž.)	The significance of the Baltic Sea region is due to the growing significance of the region in contemporary times and geo-political situation. The Baltic Sea region is the confluence of various governmental and intergovernmental governance systems including the European Union which highlights the significance of the region in terms of environmental governance. This is especially evident with the trans nationalization and the diminishing role of the national governments especially with the end of the 20 <sup>th</sup> century (Kern & Löffelsend, 2004). Here highlights the significance of the Civil Society Organizations as catalytic actor which acts as a major driver for policy governance for facilitating environmentally friendly governance and policy frameworks in the Baltic Sea Region.  Aim: The aim of the research is to explore the role of non-governmental organizations and their effect on environmental governance in the Baltic Sea region.  Tasks To identify how the transition of the governance system towards transnationalities and Europeanisation shapes the role of environmental non-governmental actors in the Baltic Sea region.  Results: to understand the role of the NGO's and the significant role it employs in facilitating environmentally friendly governance in the Baltic Sea region.  References  1. Kern, K., & Loffelsend, T. (2004). Sustainable development in the Baltic Sea region.
Temos atitiktis strateginės mokslo krypties tikslams ir prioritetams (iki 500 sp. ž.)	Environment, 9(5), 451-467.  The planned research will contribute to the priority <i>Human resources</i> , regional self-concept and cohesion of the local society of the KU Strategic Research Direction Society and Culture on the Baltic Coasts. According to this priority, the latest social theories, political sciences, public administration, and sociology concepts and methods are used for local community research, allowing to engage in the general discourse of knowledge and formation of a multicultural society. International and comparative studies of communities in the Baltic Sea region remain an important landmark.
Planuojami tarpiniai ir galutiniai rezultatai (mokslinė produkcija: publikacijos, pranešimai ir kt.)	1 publication in the journal indexed in international databases (EBSCO, ERIH Plus) 2 publications indexed in Scopus and/or Clarivate Analytics 3 international conferences/workshops

Kita svarbi informacija apie stažuotę (intelektinės nuosavybės teisės, būtina infrastruktūra, ištekliai, socialiniai partneriai ir kt.) (iki 500 sp. ž.)	Social partners: environmental NGOs, Local Government Associations, Media State and local government institutions: Ministries of Environmental Protections, Environmental Protection Departments, Municipalities
Stažuotojo įtraukimas į padalinio veiklas (individualus ar komandinis darbas, konsultavimo / mentorystės galimybės ir kt.) (iki 500 sp. ž.)	The postdoc will contribute to the strengthening of the department's scientific activities, in particular, cooperation with the department's doctoral students is expected by helping them methodologically, advising on how to prepare articles in English. It is also expected that the postdoc will participate in the master's studies process as a master's theses consultant. The postdoc is expected to be active and contribute to the organization of conferences, seminars and project applications.
Reikalavimai stažuotojo kompetencijai (iki 500 sp. ž.) Numatomas stažuotės vadovas ir/arba konsultuojantis asmuo	Doctor of Social Sciences, Political Sciences (S002)  Prof. dr. Jaroslav Dvorak