



Baltic States regional
association linking
women scientists
working in science and
HT and policy makers

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Gender equality in science is one of the European Union challenges while implementing ambitious goals targeted at the creation of the Innovation Union with competitive economics based on scientific achievements. EU strategic documents are emphasizing the significance of the enlargement of the talent pool in sciences by including more women researchers to further research and development in Europe. However, in spite of the strategies taken on gender equality, European research as well as other largest research areas in the world still suffers from a considerable loss and inefficient use of highly skilled women.

The gender equality in science has multidimensional character and requires working out the holistic approach including different stakeholders: policy makers, administrators of research institutions, funding agencies, researchers and society. In this context the role of gender-related networks of women scientists ensuring an efficient dissemination of information and the coordination of joint efforts of stakeholders is very important.

BASNET Forumas is an international association based on the unique network linking women scientists working in the sciences and high technology, and science policy makers for ensuring equal gender opportunities in sciences in the Baltic States region.

BASNET Forumas was established in 2009 on the basis of institutions, former partners of FP6 project “Baltic States Network: women in sciences and High Technology” (BASNET).

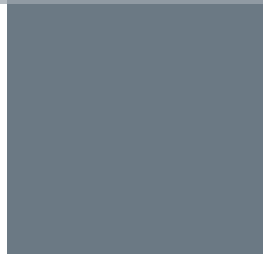
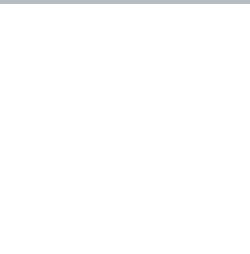
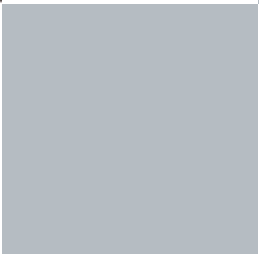
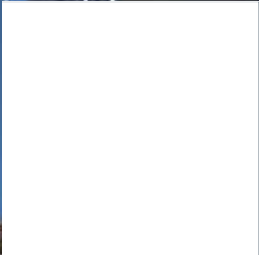
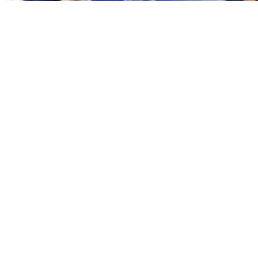
This brochure is presenting brief information on BASNET Forumas activities targeted to further gender equality in research in the Baltic States region.

Assoc. Prof. Dalia Satkovskiene

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President of BASNET Forumas

BASNET Forum



BASNET Forum Mission

Mobilize the efforts of members to support the implementation of BASNET Women in Sciences strategy in the Baltic States region.

Objectives

To monitor the updating and implementation of BASNET project strategy in the Baltic States region;

To accumulate and disseminate the good practices in solving gender equality problems in science in Eastern European countries region;

BASNET Forum is working on achieving towards those objectives by

participation in international women scientists networks;

strengthening national and regional women scientists networks;

initiation and participation in the projects targeted to change science policy in the Baltic States by making it more favorable for women doing their research in sciences;

dissemination activities

Activities

2008

Invited talk on March meeting of American Physical Society about results of BASNET project (New Orleans USA);

Took active part in organizing the Annual EPWS conference “Women Shaping Science” in Vilnius

2009

BASNET Forumas became full member of European Platform of Women Scientists(EPWS);

Established BASNET Forumas Web Site;

BASNET delegation participated in the conference “Changing research landscapes to make the most of human potential” devoted to 10 years of EU activities in «Women and Science» (Prague, Check Republic).



BASNET delegation in Prague



The conference guest Prof. Arthur Bienenstock the scientific adviser to the President of the USA B. Clinton

2010

Participated as a stake holder in “European Research Board Conference” (Seville, Spain) where the ERAB report “*Preparing Europe for a New Renaissance*” was presented;

Participated in ERAB event (Brussels, Belgium) where presentation of report “*Realizing the New Renaissance*” was discussed.

Initiated and took part in organizing the international conference „Challenges for Science in the context of globalization“ in Vilnius.



Exhibition of books published by Lithuanian women scientists organized during the conference.

2011

Started implementation of the Lithuanian national project “Promotion of the Gender Equality in Science” (LYMOS);

Participated in the global conference „Women in Physics“(ICWIP‘2011, Cape Town, PAR);

Participated in the AMONET conference “Women, Science and Globalization”(Lisbon, Portugal);

Initiated and took part in the organization of the international conference “Science, Innovation and Gender” in Vilnius, devoted to 100 anniversary of the second Nobel prize awarded to M. Curie;

Participated in “European Gender Summit” (Brussels, Belgium).

2012

Initiated and took part in organizing EPWS Lunch Debate event in the European Parliament “Towards a Gender Balanced Science Culture to Foster Innovation” (Brussels, Belgium);



EPWS lunch event in European Parliament



Moments from LYMOS trainings

The LT president H.E. Dalia Grybauskaitė opens SAPGERIC conference.
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In the frame of LYMOS project organized trainings for women scientists on gender issues in Vilnius Kaunas and Siauliai;

Issued “Science, Innovation and Gender” Abstract book;

Participated in the NB8 conference on gender equality in Vilnius;

Organized closing of the LYMOS project conference “Promotion of the Gender Equality in Science” with participation of foreign guests (Vilnius);

Issued LYMOS book representing LYMOS project results.

2013

As partner of GEIRICA project participated in organizing “International conference on Structural changes for promoting gender equality in research organizations” held under the auspices of Lithuanian Presidency to European Union Council 21-22 of November 2013 in Vilnius.

Projects:



2010-2012 - partner of the Lithuanian National project "Promotion of the Gender Equality in Science" (LYMOS). The project initiated by BASNET Forumas and coordinated by Lithuanian Academy of Sciences aimed to work out a structural basis for implementation of gender equality in the Lithuanian science system. The results of LYMOS project are presented in the book.



2012 BASNET Forumas was among initiators of the new COST initiative -network of policy-makers and experts on gender, science and technology. Four years lasting COST genderSTE project aims to enhance the implementation of gender-focused policy measures for structural change in science and technology institutions and integration of gender dimension in the content of science and technology.



2013-2014 - partner of "Gender Equality Implementation in Research Institutions: Collaborative Approach" (GEIRICA) project, financed by EEA and Norwegian Financial mechanisms bilateral relations development programme. The project aims working out recommendations for inclusion gender issues in science in Action plans of running EU international and regional projects (Eastern partnership programme and Baltic Sea Strategy).

Publications:



International Conference Science, Innovation and Gender 2012, Vilnius;

BASNET Forumas leaflet, 2012;

Lyčių lygybės skatinimas moksle, Vilnius 2011;

Women in science and High Technology in the Baltic States: Problems and Solutions, Vilnius 2008;

Women in science and High Technology, 2007;

Supporting organizations:



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