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## *Curriculum Vitae*

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**Date of birth:** 1986 09 30  
**Citizenship:** Lithuanian

### **EDUCATION:**

**2016 – 2017** (the collaboration with OTB leading to the PhD began in 2012)

**PhD, Urban and regional studies**

OTB – Research for The Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands

Thesis: *Socio-spatial change in Lithuania. Depopulation and increasing spatial inequalities*

**2013 – 2018**

**PhD, Sociology**

Lithuanian Social Research Centre (in cooperation with Vytautas Magnus University and Kaunas University of Technology)

Thesis: *Sociodemographic analysis of the changing territorial organisation of the settlement systems in the Baltic countries*

During the study years I received multiple personal grants from the Research Council of Lithuania: grants for the academic achievements in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017; grants for the academic outing/traineeship (2014) and summer school (2015) to the Netherlands and short-term scientific visit to Estonia (2015).

**2009 – 2011**

**M.A., Geography and Landscape**

Vilnius University, Vilnius

Thesis: *Post-soviet transformations of economy in Vilnius urban region* (the highest evaluation)

**2005 – 2009**

**B.A., Geography**

Vilnius University, Vilnius

Thesis: *Spatial optimization issues of traffic flows in Vilnius* (the highest evaluation)

**1997 – 2005**

Juozas Balčikonis gymnasium, Panevėžys

### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

**2019 07 – Present**

**Department of Urbanism, Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands**

**Post-doc researcher**

**2021 01 – Present**

**Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Institute of Sociology, Department of Regional and Urban Studies**  
**Senior researcher**

**2012 01 – 2020 12**

**Lithuanian Social Research Centre, Institute of Human Geography and Demography, Lithuania  
Researcher**

**2012 02 – 2019 06**

**OTB – Research for The Built Environment), Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft  
University of Technology, the Netherlands  
Guest researcher / Researcher, PhD student**

**2016 03 – 2016 08**

**Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Leipzig**

**PhD Fellowship**

The fellowship was financed within the framework of the international comparative research project “Urban reconfigurations in post-Soviet space” ([www.ira-urban.de](http://www.ira-urban.de)).

**2009 09 – 2012 01**

**Nature Research Centre, Institute of Geology and Geography, Department of Human Geography  
Engineer/assistant**

## **PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC PROJECTS:**

**2020 02 – 2024 01**

International research project: *The Future of European Social Citizenship (EUSOCIALCIT)*. HORIZON 2020

**2017 11 – 2019 08**

International research project: *Socio-spatial inequality, deprived neighbourhoods, and neighbourhood effects (DEPRIVEDHOODS)* ERC project

**2017 10 – 2019 11**

*Spatial differentiation of adolescent fertility in Lithuania: socioeconomic environment, the role of sexual education and individual experiences* (financed by Research Council of Lithuania)

**2016 03 – 2016 08**

International research project: *Urban reconfigurations in post-Soviet space”, umbrella-project on “Strong and Weak cities”* (financed by Free State of Saxony and the Federal Republic of Germany)

**2014 04 – 2016 12**

*Growing urban regions and spatial segregation of their residents in Lithuania*, researcher (financed by Research Council of Lithuania)

**2013 03 – 2014 12**

*Regional peculiarities of functional change in the rural settlements of Lithuania*, researcher (financed by Research Council of Lithuania)

**2012 01 – 2013 12**

*Sparsely populated areas and their residents in Lithuania*, researcher (financed by Research Council of Lithuania)

**2010 08 – 2011 10**

*The peculiarities of the development of Vilnius city in the context of Eastern Lithuania problem region*, researcher (financed by Research Council of Lithuania)

## EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MOOC *Building Inclusive Cities: Tackling Urban Inequality and Segregation*, edX, DelftX's (First run April 2021). Co-developer, lecturer, and instructor

## PUBLICATIONS:

**Ubarevičienė R.**, Tretjakova V. & Pociūtė-Sereikienė G. (Forthcoming). The Effects of Individual and Regional Factors on Adolescent Fertility Rates: The Case of Lithuania. *Regional Statistics*.

van Ham M. Tammaru T., **Ubarevičienė R.** & Janssen H. (2021) Rising Inequalities and a Changing Social Geography of Cities. An Introduction to the Global Segregation Book. In van Ham M. Tammaru T., Ubarevičienė R. & Janssen H. (2021) *Urban socio-economic segregation and income inequality: A global perspective*. Springer Open. Chapter 1, p. 3-27. OPEN ACCESS.

**Ubarevičienė R.**, & Burneika D. (2020). Fast and uncoordinated suburbanization of Vilnius in the context of depopulation in Lithuania. *Environmental & Socio-economic Studies*, 44-56.

Burneika D., **Ubarevičienė R.** & Baranuskaitė A. (2019). Soviet housing estates in Vilnius – socio-ethnic structure and future(-less?) perspectives, in *Housing Estates in the Baltics: The Legacy of Central Planning in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania*, edited by D. Hess & T. Tammaru. Springer.

Gedvilaitė-Kordušienė M., Tretjakova V. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2019). Bevaikystė Lietuvoje: tendencijos, normos ir regioninė diferenciacija [Childlessness in Lithuania: Trends, Norms and Spatial Differentiation]. *Socialinė teorija, empirija, politika ir praktika*, 18, 96-111.

Tretjakova V., Pociūtė-Sereikienė V. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2018). Paauglių kūdikių gimstamumo kaitos tendencijos: Europos Sąjungos kontekstas ir regioninė diferenciacija Lietuvoje [Trends in Adolescent Fertility: EU Context and Regional Differentiation in Lithuania]. *Lithuanian Journal of Statistics*, 57(1), 41-55.

**Ubarevičienė R.** (2018). City systems in the Baltic states: the Soviet legacy and current paths of change. *Europa Regional*, 25(2), 15-29.

Burneika D., Baranuskaitė, A. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2017). Social segregation and spatial differentiation of electoral alignment in Vilnius Metropolitan area. *Geographia Polonica* 90 (2), 87-110.

**Ubarevičienė R.**, & van Ham, M. (2017). Population decline in Lithuania: who lives in declining regions and who leaves? *Regional Studies, Regional Science* 4 (1), 57-79.

Burneika D. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2016). Socio-ethnic segregation in the metropolitan areas of Lithuania. *Czech Sociological Review* 52 (6), 795–819

**Ubarevičienė R.**, van Ham M. & Burneika D. (2016). Shrinking regions in a shrinking country: The geography of population decline in Lithuania 2001-2011. *Urban Studies Research*.

**Ubarevičienė R.** (2016). Lietuvos gyventojų vidaus migracijų teritoriniai ypatumai XXI a. [Territorial features of internal migration of Lithuanian population in the XXI century]. *Lietuvos socialinė raida* [Social Development in Lithuania] 5. P, 9-24. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre

Valatka V., Burneika D. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2016). Large social inequalities and low levels of socio-economic segregation in Vilnius, in *Socio-economic segregation in European Capital cities: East meets West*, edited by T. Tammaru, S. Marcińczak, M. van Ham and S. Musterd. P, 313–332, London and New York: Routledge.

Burneika D., **Ubarevičienė R.** & Valatka V. (2015). Socio-economic segregation in growing urban regions of Lithuania. *Filosofija. Sociologija* 26 (4), 277-292.

- Burneika D. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2015). The economic crisis and development of Vilnius urban region – spatial aspects. *Regional and Local development* 2 (60), 81-96. EUROREG.
- Ubarevičienė R.** & Burneika D. (2015). Spatial transformation of the economy in the post-communist period: The case of the Vilnius urban region. *Geographia Polonica*, 1 (88), 143-157.
- Ubarevičienė R.**, Burneika D. & van Ham M. (2015). Ethno-political effects of suburbanization in the Vilnius urban region. An analysis of voting behaviour. *Journal of Baltic Studies* 46 (2), 217-242.
- Pociūtė-Sereikienė G., Kriaučiūnas E. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2014). Peripheralisation trends in rural territories: the case of Lithuania. *Studies in Agricultural Economics* 116, 122-130.
- Burneika D., Daugirdas V., & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2014). Migration as a factor of development of the depopulating areas in East EU countries – The case of Lithuania. *EUROPA XXI*, 27, 79-95.
- Ubarevičienė R.** (2014). Lietuvos teritorijos apgyvendinimo kaita XXI a.: miestų-regionų formavimasis [The change of the settlement structure in the XXI century Lithuania: city-regions formation]. *Lietuvos socialinė raida* [Social Development of Lithuania], P. 92-112. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre
- Kriaučiūnas E., **Ubarevičienė R.** & Pociūtė-Sereikienė G. (2014). Lietuvos kaimo apgyvendinimo kaitos regioninės ypatybės 2001 – 2011 metais [Regional peculiarities of changes in rural settlement's system in Lithuania during the period 2001-2011]. *Lietuvos socialinė raida* [Social Development of Lithuania], P. 78-91. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre
- Kriaučiūnas E., Krupickaitė D., Pociūtė-Sereikienė G. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2014). Lietuvos kaimo gyvenviečių funkcijų kaitos regioninės ypatybės [Regional peculiarities of rural settlements function change in Lithuania]. *Geografijos metraštis* 47, 70-87.
- Burneika D., **Ubarevičienė R.**, Pociūtė G. & Kriaučiūnas E. (2013). The impact of Vilnius city on the transformation trends of the sparsely populated EU east border region. *Etniškumo studijos/Ethnicity studies* 2, 50-69.
- Burneika D., Daugirdas V., Kriaučiūnas E., Ribokas, G. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2013). Socio-economic aspects of depopulation in Eastern EU border region – case of Eastern Lithuania. *Region and regionalism* 11, 195-215.
- Burneika D. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2013). Metropolitan regions in Lithuania – Trends of transformation of the Soviet urban system. *Kyiv geographic almanac* 8, 107-113.
- Burneika D., **Ubarevičienė R.** & van Ham M. (2012). The impact of a growing Vilnius urban region on the development of Eastern Lithuania. *Evoliucija obščestveno geografičeskoj mysli*, p. 37-43.
- Ubarevičienė R.**, Burneika D. & Kriaučiūnas E. (2011). The sprawl of Vilnius city – establishment and analysis of growing urban region. *Annales Geographicae* 43-44, 98-109.
- Burneika D. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2011). The sprawl of Vilnius city – some consequences of rural-urban transformations. *Annales Geographicae* 43-44, 110-117.
- Burneika D., Kriaučiūnas E., & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2010). The problem of research of actors of urban change in post-soviet cities – Vilnius case. *Annales Geographicae* 43-44, 42-53.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO BOOKS:

- van Ham M., Tammaru T., **Ubarevičienė R.** & Janssen H. (2021) *Urban socio-economic segregation and income inequality: A global perspective*. Springer Open. [OPEN ACCESS](#)

Burneika D., **Ubarevičienė R.**, Valatka V., Baranauskaitė A., Pociūtė-Sereikienė G., Daugirdas V. & Krupickaitė D. (2016). *Lietuvos metropoliniai regionai: Plėtros ir segregacijos ypatumai XXI a. pradžioje* [The metropolitan regions of Lithuania: Residential differentiation in the 21st century]. Monograph. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre

Lietuvos socio-demografinės politikos “*Baltoji knyga*”. Gairės tolesnės demografinės politikos plėtrai [“White book” of socio-demographic politics in Lithuania. The guidelines for demographic policy]. Co-author. 2016. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre & Ministry of social security and labour

Daugirdas V., Burneika D., Kriaučiūnas E., Ribokas G., Stanaitis S. & **Ubarevičienė R.** (2013). *Lietuvos retai apgyventos teritorijos* [Sparsely populated areas in Lithuania]. Monograph. Vilnius: Lithuanian Social Research Centre.

## **PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES:**

*Lietuvos regionų socio-demografinės raidos tendencijos*. Paper presented at the expert seminar “Pamario kraštas po 100 metų“. Online, 2020 10 07.

*Regional differentiation and the effect of individual and regional characteristics on adolescent fertility: the case of Lithuania*. Paper presented at the Regional Studies Association, Central and Eastern Europe Conference. Lublin, Poland 2019 09 11-13.

*Urban change and the role of the capital city. A comparative study of 3 Baltic States*. Paper presented at the Regional Studies Association annual conference: “Pushing Regions beyond their Borders”. Santiago de Compostela, Spain 2019 05 05-07.

*Predictors of Spatial Differentiation of Adolescent Fertility: The Case of Lithuania*. Paper presented (with co-authors) at the Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting. Washington DC 2019 04 03-07.

*Challenging the urban development models on the post-socialist cities: The case of the Baltic States*. Paper presented at the EEGA Thematic Workshop: Theorising Cities from/with Global East. Leipzig and Zerbst. 2018 12 10-12.

*Growing Social Spatial Differentiation and Migration Patterns in Lithuania*. Paper presented at the Regional Studies Association annual conference: “A World of Flows: Labour Mobility, Capital and Knowledge in an Age of Global Reversal and Regional Revival”. Lugano 2018 06 3-6.

*Residential differentiation in sprawling urban regions of Lithuania*. Paper presented at the Regional Studies Association Winter Conference 2016: “New pressures on cities and regions”. London 2016 11 24-25.

*Socio-economic segregation and political spatial differentiation in Lithuanian metropolitan areas*. Paper presented at the Oslo and Akershus University College, in the Research Symposium on Urban Governance in Europe: “Preparing for Diversity, Social Sustainability and Migration”. Oslo 2016 09 28–30.

*Population decline in Lithuania. Who lives in declining areas and who leaves?* Paper presented at the Regional Studies Association annual conference: “Building Bridges: Cities and Regions in a Transnational World”. Graz 2016 04 03-06

*Residential Differentiation in Sprawling Urban Regions of Lithuania*. Paper presented at the at the Regional Studies Association annual conference: “Building Bridges: Cities and Regions in a Transnational World”. Graz 2016 04 03-06

*Migration and urbanization in Lithuania*. Paper presented at the Charles University in Prague, in the 6<sup>th</sup> international urban geographies of post-communist states conference (CAT-ference): “25 Years of Urban Change”. Prague 2015 09 23-26.

*Socio-economic aspects of ethnic segregation of major Lithuanian cities.* Paper presented at the Charles University in Prague, in the 6<sup>th</sup> international urban geographies of post-communist states conference (CAT-ference): “25 Years of Urban Change”. Prague 2015 09 23-26.

*Ethno-political effects of suburbanization in the Vilnius urban region. An analysis of voting behaviour.* Paper presented at the Balkan Ethnology department, International Conference “Balkan and Baltic States in United Europe – History, Religion, and Culture II”. Sofia 2014 10 1-3.

*Lietuvos gyvenviečių tinklo kaita* [The development of Lithuanian urban network]. Paper presented at the Vilnius University „III congress of Lithuanian geographers“. Vilnius 2014 09 26-27.

*Changing urban systems in the Baltic States: Spatial and social transformations.* Paper presented at the Mykolas Romeris University, International Scientific Conference for Young Researchers “Social transformations in contemporary society 2014”. Vilnius 2014 05 05-06.

*Post-socialist demographic decline and population redistribution in Lithuania.* Paper presented at the Tbilisi State University, 5<sup>th</sup> international urban geographies of post-communist states conference (CAT-ference): „Urban research, urban theory and planning practice in Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union“. Tbilisi 2013 09 11-13/15.

*Population change and migrations in Lithuania: Trend and hidden processes.* Paper presented in the Expert seminar ‘Labour migration in the Baltic Sea countries: Trends and prospects’. Parliament of the Republic of Lithuania, Vilnius 2013 04 25.

*Metropolitan regions in Lithuania – Trends of transformation of the Soviet urban system.* Paper presented at the Geographical faculty, Taras Shevchenko national university of Kyiv: Spatial transformation processes in Central Europe in XXI century. Kyiv 2013 03 16-17.

*The impact of a growing Vilnius urban region on the development of Eastern Lithuania.* Paper presented in the Third Annual Scientific Session ARGO (Association of Russian Human Geographers). Saint-Petersburg 2012 09 28-30.

*Peculiarities of spatial transformations of Vilnius urban region.* Paper presented at the Institute of geography and spatial planning, Polish academy of science: Warsaw regional forum 2011 “*Functional regions – towards a new paradigm of territorial and cohesion policy*“. Warsaw 2011 10 21-22.

*The economic crisis and development of Vilnius urban region – spatial aspects.* Paper presented at the University of Warsaw in seminar “Crisis and cities: a dual world of capital cities”. Regional Studies Association research network “The impact of global economic crisis on capital cities”. Warsaw 2011 09 23.

*The development of Vilnius city in the context of east Lithuanian problem region.* Paper presented at the University of Bucharest in the 4<sup>th</sup> International workshop on Post-communist Urban Geographies (Cities after Transition): “Space, culture and transition“. Bucharest 2011 09 14-17.

#### **Other conferences:**

*Lietuvos teritorijos apgyvendinimo kaita XXI a.: miestų-regionų formavimasis* [The change of the settlement structure in the XXI century Lithuania: city-regions formation]. Paper presented at the Lithuanians Social Research Centre, in scientific conference “Lietuvos gyventojai XXI a. pradžioje: sociodemografiniai aspektai“. Vilnius 2015 12 04

#### **Attendance at the international conferences (without presentations):**

*Governing Urban Diversity: Creating social cohesion, social mobility and economic performance in today’s hyper-diversified cities.* Rotterdam, 2017 02 8-10.

*Old City – New Reality: The Role of the European Historic Urban Core*. Delft University of Technology, faculty of Architecture, Delft, 2015 10 30.

EUKN (European Urban Knowledge Network) Annual Conference 2012, *Shrinking areas - front-runners in innovative citizen participation*. Ruhr Regional Association, Essen, Germany, 2012 12 07.

Migration in a Changing World: Where do we go now? Online conference, 2012 11 5-9.

Regional Studies Association European Conference 2012. *Networked regions and cities in times of fragmentation: Developing smart, sustainable and inclusive places*. Delft University of Technology, Delft, 2012 05 13-16.

*Integrating cities Amsterdam 2012*. Amsterdam, 2012 03 8-9.

### **Assistance in the organization of international conferences:**

International conference *Urban poverty and segregation in a globalized world*. Delft University of Technology, Delft, 2018 09 19-20.

EAAE/ISUF International Conference. *New urban configurations*. Delft University of Technology, Delft, 2012 10 16-19.

Regional Studies Association European Conference 2012. *Networked regions and cities in times of fragmentation: Developing smart, sustainable and inclusive places*. Delft University of Technology, Delft, 2012 05 13-16.

### **Media**

Lithuanian national radio, morning program „Ryto garsai“ 2018 09 18.

Record: <https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/irasas/1013702562/ryto-garsai-2018-09-18-06-30#wowzaplaystart=7602000&wowzaplayduration=486000>

## **TRAININGS & TRAINEESHIPS**

### **2011 04 03-16**

Participant of European Union Lifelong Learning Programme *Expanding Horizons in European Geography Teaching* (ExHEGeT). Students exchange programme. University of Ljubljana.

### **2012 09 03 – 2013 03 06**

Participant of Leonardo da Vinci project (EU Lifelong Learning Programme, No LLP-LdV-PLM-2012-LT-0742), *International research collaboration on social structures in urban areas*. Host organization – OTB-Research for The Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands.

### **2014 02 10 - 2014 03 06**

Academic outing/traineeship to the Netherlands (OTB-Research for The Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft University of Technology). Grant from the Research Council of Lithuania (no. DOC-13/2014).

### **2014 05 07-09**

Seminar for the academic writing “*How to write and publish papers to the journals?*” The seminar was held by dr. Ellen Boeren (University of Edinburgh, Scotland) at the Lithuanian Social Research Centre.

### **2014 07 10-11**

Workshop “*Current Developments in Critical Urban Studies*”. Georg Simmel Center for Metropolitan Research, Berlin.

### **2015 02 16-25**

Academic outing to Estonia (Centre for Migration and Urban Studies, University of Tartu). Grant from the Research Council of Lithuania (no. VIZ-VYK-004).

**2015 05 - 06**

Core Course 5: *Quantitative Research Methods* at the NETHUR (Netherlands Graduate School of Urban and Regional Research). 5.0 ECTS. Utrecht, Nijmegen.

**2015 08 17-28**

Course *Applied Multivariate Analysis* at the Utrecht Summer School. 3.0 ECTS and certificate of attendance. Grant from the Research Council of Lithuania (no. DOC-15260).

**2015 11 10**

*National PhD Day 2015: Enhance your career!*

Workshops attended:

- Time management for PhDs
- Speak like Obama
- Writing your thesis with ease

**Courses at the doctoral graduate school in Lithuania, 2014 - 2015**

- Classical and contemporary sociological theories, 6.0 ECTS
- Social research methodology and modern methods, 6.0 ECTS
- Public opinion surveys, 6.0 ECTS
- Theories of regional development, 6.0 ECTS
- Social policy, 6.0 ECTS

**Courses at the doctoral graduate school in the Netherlands, 2016 - 2017**

- Conversation skills, 2.0 ECTS
- Self-management strategies, 2.0 ECTS
- Brain management, 2.0 ECTS
- The informed researcher, 2.0 ECTS
- Becoming a creative researcher in academia, 1.0 ECTS
- Creative tools for scientific writing, 2.0 ECTS
- The art of presenting science, 3.0 ECTS

**2017 03 01 – 2017 06 31**

Participant of Erasmus+ practice (EU Lifelong Learning Programme, No 2015-1-LT01-KA103-0013344). Financed by the Lithuanian Confederation of Industrialists. Sending institution - Vytautas Magnus University, host institution - OTB-Research for The Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and The Built Environment, Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands.

**ONLINE TRAININGS AND TRAINEESHIPS**

**2020 01**

TUD online course: Logical Reasoning

TUD online course: Critical Thinking

TUD online course: Lean Management

**2017 03 03 – 2017 04 14**

STATA net course 101. Introduction to STATA

**2017 06**

Coursera course: “Learning how to learn”

**2018 – 2019**



Coursera “Specialization on Methods and Statistics in the Social Sciences”

**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES:**

Regional Studies Association (RSA)

European Network for Housing Research (ENHR)

International Population Data Linkage Network (IPDLN)

**Referee/Reviewer:**

*Filosofija, Sociologija, Geografijos Metraštis (Annales Geographicae), Revista de Sociologia, Journal of Settlements and Spatial Planning*

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Languages:**

Lithuanian – Native

English – Full professional proficiency

Dutch – Slightly spoken

Russian – Slightly spoken

**Computer Knowledge:**

Having a background in:

ArcGIS, SPSS, STATA, R, Microsoft office, Adobe Creator suite 6 product, CorelDRAW

**Fields of interests:**

Post-socialist change, shrinkage, city-regions, socio-spatial transformations, urban and regional geography, social segregation, big data.

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