

BIOGRAPHY

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Education and current position:

I am a biochemist by education graduated from the Vilnius University.

My current position is an Adviser on issues of Chemicals in Pollution Prevention Political Group in Lithuanian Ministry of Environment.

Before my current position I worked for the Environmental Protection Agency, what is the main institution for the implementation of policies related to the management of chemicals in Lithuania.

I have been involved as an expert for chemicals management within the Lithuania's accession process to Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

Major competencies and responsibilities:

- development of the strategies for the implementation of chemicals management policies;
- development of the projects and programmes aiming at the implementation of the multilateral environmental agreements, inter alia, the Stockholm Convention and the Montreal Protocol;
- interinstitutional cooperation and coordination in chemicals management including leading of the relevant working groups (EU legislation preparation, national legislation preparation, national positions preparation, national implementation projects preparation, etc.);
- participation in developing REACH, CLP and other chemicals legislation (like POPs and PIC regulations), coordination of these activities on the national level ensuring synergies with other related legislation like water and air protection, waste management;
- implementation of the EU chemicals legislation, preparation of the national legislation and implementation/enforcement policies;
- preparation of the National Implementation plan for the implementation of the Stockholm Convention, National Plans on ozone depleting substances, implementation thereof.