# Public Entity,,European Humanities University"

Independent auditor's report, Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2021



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Part-owners of Public Entity "European Humanities University"

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Public Entity "European Humanities University" (the Public Entity), which comprise the statement of financial position as at September 30, 2021, statement of operations for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Public Entity as at September 30, 2020, and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Order No. 1K-443 of the Minister of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania of 18 December 2018 "Regarding the amendment of Order No 1K-372 of the Minister of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania of 22 November 2004 "Regarding approval of the Rules of accounting and formation and submission of financial statements of non-profit-making legal entities of a limited civil liability and evaluation of the assets and services gratuitously received by the participants of political campaigns" (The Rules).

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Public Entity in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the requirements of the Law on Audit of Financial Statements of the Republic of Lithuania that are relevant to audit in the Republic of Lithuania, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Law on Audit of Financial Statements of the Republic of Lithuania and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Other Information**

The other information comprises the information included in the Public Entity's annual report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Management is responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon, except as specified below.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard

In addition, our responsibility is to consider whether information included in the Public Entity's annual report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements and whether annual report has been prepared in compliance with applicable legal requirements. Based on the work carried out in the course of audit of financial statements, in our opinion, in all material respects:

- The information given in the Public Entity's annual report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The Public Entity's annual report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Law on Public Entities of the Republic of Lithuania.

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Rules, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Public Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Public Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Public Entity's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Public Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Public Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Public Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



We shall communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Auditor's certificate No. 000551 Katažina Kozlovskienė

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Vilnius, January 21, 2022



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

# **CONCISE VERSION**

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OCTOBER 1, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

## **EUROPEAN HUMANITIES UNIVERSITY**

# Governing Board (elected and approved by GAPO on

# January 6, 2020)

Andrius Kubilius (Lithuania), chair Megaklis Petmezas (Greece), deputy chair Dr Jonathan Fanton (USA) Mindaugas Kačerauskis (Lithuania) until September 13, 2021 replaced by Darius Vitkauskas Reinhard Stuth (Germany) Sergei Ignatov, *ex officio* (Bulgaria) Anatoli Mikhailov, *ex officio* (Belarus) resigned on January 5, 2021

#### Management

Anatoli Mikhailov, President Sergei Ignatov, Rector Rasa Buivydienė, Head of Finance and HR unit Lina Gorbačiovienė, Chancellor - Head of the Rector's Office Maksimas Milta, Head of Communication and Development unit, until September 3, 2021 Dr Nijolė Saugėnienė, Head of Academic Support Center Ryhor Miniankou, Head of **Research Publications Center** Anastasiya Radzionava, Head of Student Services unit

# General Assembly of Part-Owners (GAPO)

Eurasia Foundation (USA): represented by Mr. William Horton Beebe-Center, President DDF Foundation: represented by Mr. Leonard Bernardo, Regional Director for the Eurasia Region Eastern European Studies Center (EESC) (Lithuania): represented Ms. Lina Rukštelienė, Head of Strategic Decisions Support Group of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania

#### Senate principals

Aliaksandr Puptsev, Senate chair until September 30, 2021 Natalija Beloborodaja, Secretary

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# LIST OF KEY ABBREVIATONS

- AY academic year
- EHU, University European Humanities University
- LR part-time studies
- MA Master's study cycle
- **HR** full-time studies
- GAPO General Assembly of Part Owners
- VLE Virtual Learning Environment
- **GB** Governing Board

#### INTRODUCTION

The European Humanities University (hereinafter – the EHU) is a student-centred University for promoting civil society development through Humanities and Liberal Arts for students from Belarus and the region by bringing them together and offering international experience in study quality. This mission statement lies at the core of EHU operations, since the University was founded in Minsk, Belarus in 1992.

AY 2020-2021 was marked by a plethora of events both academically and internally, and internationally, where EHU continued its mission, contributing to the development of Belarusian civil society with active civil position and actions and strengthened its consolidating role in the Western European and Eastern European Partnership countries in the area of co-operation, involving more and more young Belarusian citizens, guided by the progressive ideas of Western democracy, who are determined to bring about lasting change in the country's society.

In January 2021 the founder of EHU and its long term leader Prof. Anatoli Mikhailov resigned from the position of the University President. Following his resignation, the General Assembly of Part-Owners of EHU decided to abolish the position of President in the organizational structure of EHU. Saying goodbye Prof. Mikhailov expressed his conviction that "the potential of our university is far from being exploited in an era of new challenges facing modern humanities education."

On March 3, 2021 during the official visit on the occasion of the centenary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Estonia and Lithuania, the President of Estonia Kersti Kaljulaid visited the European Humanities University and participated in a joint discussion with the students of the university. She expressed her opinion to the EHU community, to everyone and to those who have been repressed by the authoritarian regime in Belarus: "True creativity is possible only in freedom."

In 2020, the EHU Emergency Fund was established to support Belarusian students and researchers affected by the authoritarian regime in Belarus. The Republic of Lithuania, the Kingdoms of Norway and Denmark, the Republics of Finland and Estonia, and Sweden Institute (Sweden) responded quickly to the difficult situation of students and researchers in Belarus and became major donors to the fund.

At the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2021 the EHU prepared applications for financial support in accordance with the procedures established by the donors. Financing agreements were signed during the same period. The financing decision was approved and support for the Emergency Fund was provided by the Republic of Lithuania, the Swedish Institute, the Kingdom of Norway, the Kingdom of Denmark, and the Republic of Estonia.

During the reporting period, 96 Belarusian students who came to study at EHU at that time received support from the EHU Emergency Fund.

On January 2021, EHU has joined EHU joined the European Coordinating Committee for Academic Freedom Advocacy. The Committee is the primary vehicle for strategic cooperation in the area across

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Europe and includes a broad set of key actors: representatives from human rights and related NGOs, universities, associations, and higher education networks across Europe. One of the committee's areas of focus is support for researchers at risk (Scholars at Risk). The work of this committee has become particularly relevant since 2020 events in Belarus, when students and the academic community in that country experienced a wave of oppression by the authoritarian regime and became a particularly vulnerable part of society.

During AY 2020-2021 EHU continued its activities in the Open Society University Network (OSUN). This global partnership, involving 15 universities and colleges around the world, has opened up new opportunities for the University to develop strategic international partnerships. During this period, more than 20 OSUN-funded activities were initiated or implemented by University faculty and students. These activities include student mini-projects, a student exchange program between OSUN institutions, specific study courses focused on building a democratic society, and short-term and long-term teacher projects.

During AY 2020-2021 University continued the process of improving its management. Several in-depth external studies on University management have been carried out, and recommendations have been made for further measures to improve management issues. In 2021 an efficiency audit was performed by the international audit firm Ernst & Young on behalf of Sida. In September 2021, the EHU Action Plan for 2021-2026, commissioned by the European Commission Delegation in Minsk, was approved.

# INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOMENT AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Changes in Management**

During the reporting period the following key events related to the institutional or management changes in the European Humanities University are worth mentioning:

- In December 2020 Mr. Linas Kojala, the representative of Eastern European Studies Center in General Assembly of Part-Owners (GAPO) was replaced by Ms. Lina Rukštelienė, Head of Strategic Decisions Support Group of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania also representing Eastern European Studies Center;
- On January 6, 2021 long term EHU President Prof. Anatoli Mikhailov resigned from his position. The position of President in the organizational structure of the EHU was abolished;
- In February 2021 an external evaluation of EHU activities commissioned by Sida was carried out and the evaluation results were presented (*Evaluation of Support to the European Humanities University*, February 25, 2021);
- In April 2021 a survey on EHU impact on Belarusian society and its processes was carried out (*Survey of Impact to the Country of Origin (Belarus) by European Humanities University*, 2021-04-13). The survey was commissioned by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania. The results of the survey showed the importance of the role of EHU alumni when

they return to their homeland and participate in the process of transformation of Belarusian society;

- In May 2021 an evaluation commissioned by the European Commission Delegation in Minsk on support for the European Humanities University, study of students and graduates, summaries of consultations with university stakeholders were carried out (*Synthesis of Findings of the Evaluation of support to the EHU, survey of students and graduates, and stakeholder consultation*, May 2021);
- In 2021 an efficiency audit was performed by the international audit firm Ernst & Young on behalf of Sida (*Report on Efficiency Audit of European Humanities University*, July 2021);
- In September 2021, the EHU Action Plan for 2021-2026, commissioned by the European Commission Delegation in Minsk, was approved ;
- On September, 2021 EHU Governing Board (GB) member Mindaugas Kačerauskis was replaced by Darius Vitkauskas;
- On September 14, 2021 an open competition for the position of EHU Vice Rector was announced.

# Senate of EHU

The activities of the Senate were carried out in accordance with the approved annual plan. During the reporting period, 8 Senate meetings took place. All the Senate meetings were held remotely: the quarantine announced in the territory of Lithuania in spring 2020 was the cause.

Issues discussed and approved by the Senate were formulated in advance and prepared by Senate committees. Some of the questions were prepared by Senate committees in collaboration with the EHU Academic Support Center, Academic departments and Communication and development Unit.

Reports of EHU academic departments on the quality of study programmes in AY 2019-2020 were discussed and approved at the Senate meetings. In October 2020 ways to further improve the quality of studies were identified.

Senate discussed and / or approved the following new documents:

- December 2020 "Regulations on organization and procedures of research (art) activity"; the concept of the master degree programme "International War and Peace Law"; "Regulations on accepting and investigating student complaints";
- February 2021 concept of the master degree programme "International Business and Commercial Law";
- May 2021 draft of the "Regulations on research centers and laboratories of European Humanities University"; concept of the bachelor degree programme "Computer Science".

Throughout the reporting period, the issues of study process and its effectiveness in the University were regularly discussed at the meetings of the Senate: in November 2020 and in April and September 2021 -

issues of monitoring the academic achievements of University students, in September 2021 – the results of EHU students' bachelor and master's thesis defences; in April 2021 - upcoming student admission campaign.

During AY 2020-2021 the following existing documents regulating the study process in the University were amended:

- November 2020 "Regulations on virtual mobility of EHU students and staff";
- February 2021 "Regulations on the evaluation of the effectiveness of EHU faculty";
- April 2021 "Regulations on independent creation of written and creative works";
- May 2021 "Regulations on development and improvement of study programmes", methodical recommendations on the "Procedure for preparation and approval of Bachelor and Master's degree subject programs".

In May, the Senate discussed and approved changes and additions to the curriculum of the Bachelor's programme in Visual Design based on the proposals of experts submitted during accreditation. The report of the EHU Ethics Commission for AY 2019-2020 was also discussed and evaluated.

In September, the Senate described the activities of EHU teachers in Belarus and presented the criteria for evaluating these activities in the scientific, creative, pedagogical and organizational fields.

### Staff

The academic and academic administrative staff of the University works in five divisions - the Academic Department of Humanities and Arts, the Academic Department of Social Sciences, the Scientific Publications Center, the Academic Support Center and the Student Service Unit. The staff of the General Administration consists of the Rector's Office, the Communication and Development Unit, and the Finance and Personnel Unit.

In AY 2020-2021 the University had 83 employees, amounting to 73.35 posts including 47 teachers (37.25 full-time), of which 76 % holds a doctorate. The University employed 22 professors, 14 associate professors, 13 lecturers and 2 assistants. 55 % teachers are from Belarus, 27 % - from Lithuania. Other teachers are from other European Union or Eastern Partnership countries. This is a good example of the international nature of the European Humanities University. 57 % of the staff consists of women and 43 % - of men. Among teachers, women make up 40 %, in the administration – 78 %. In 2021 the University approved a new Policy and Implementation Measures for Equal Opportunities and Gender Equality for 2021-2024.

In AY 2020-2021 teachers continued their work with one- or two-year employment contracts that expired in September 30, 2021. From May a new team of teachers for AY 2021-2023 was being selected. A new revision of the minimum qualification requirements for EHU teachers was approved, and the qualification requirements for teachers participating in competitions and invited teachers were revised accordingly. An evaluation of the effectiveness of teachers took place in June. The activities of 45 out of

the 52 teachers were evaluated. The activities of 7 teachers were rated "very good" and the activities of 20 were rated "good". An additional score was awarded based on the socio - cultural activities of the teachers in the context of the development of civil society in Belarus. In July public competitions were held for 3 teaching positions (1 professor in the field of law, 1 associate professor in the field of heritage and 1 associate professor in the field of graphic drawing). The competition was won by teachers who had previously held these positions. In July - September the selection of visiting teachers took place in parallel. In summary, it should be noted that this was an exceptional year in the formation of the teaching staff, as new teachers from Belarusian universities and the diaspora joined the EHU. Researchers from Belarus have been invited to work.

At the beginning of the year, strategic and current goals were set for the departments and employees, and performance measurement indicators (KPIs) were set for the management of the University staff according to the integrated human resources management model (IHRM). Implementation of the set goals of more than 70 % allowed to link performance appraisal with motivation. 56 % of teachers and 100 % administrative staff working at the time were rewarded for their achievements. In May 2021 EHU Employee Satisfaction Survey was conducted. The response reached 65 % of staff members. The overall job satisfaction rate is 8.24 points. Colleagues value the content of their work and the opportunity to influence what they do the most, and the least value their salary. The strengths of the EHU team are: motivating leaders, academic freedom, trust, mutual assistance, collegiality, professionalism, respect, good working conditions, and the university's mission. Weaknesses include: lack of social package, uncertain tomorrow, division into Belarusians and Lithuanians, lack of staff to achieve the set goals, insufficient participation of academic staff in decision-making, fixed-term employment contracts, low employment opportunities in Belarus after graduation from EHU, situation in Belarus, insufficient support for Belarusian language.

During AY 2020-2021 EHU community continued to use opportunities to participate in webinars and seminars organized by OSUN.

#### Implementation of EHU gender equality policy and roadmap

On June 30, 2021 a new revision of the Equal Opportunities and Gender Policy was approved, and persons responsible for the coordination and implementation of equal opportunities and gender equality issues at the university community level and among students were appointed. A plan for gender equality measures for 2021-2024 was prepared, setting out procedures, resources, responsibilities, deadlines and success criteria in the areas of personnel, management, studies and research, and communication. The goal in the field of management is to achieve gender balance in the structures - working groups, commissions, committees and organized activities. In the field of communication, the aim is to increase awareness and sensitivity to gender differences. In the field of studies and research – strengthen awareness of the importance of ensuring gender equality. The University has introduced a

secure mechanism for providing complaints about discrimination and sexual harassment among staff and students - a separate e-mail address has been created genderandequalopportunities@ehu.lt. Monitoring of the gender equality situation and a community survey on this topic has been launched. On May 20-27, 2021 in the EHU Employee Satisfaction Survey a question about incorrect or inappropriate behaviour and harassment was included. 6 employees mentioned facing such a situation in the work environment in the last year, and 1 employee experienced such behaviour themselves. As an example, jokes on the topic of gender, humiliating statements about Belarusian teachers from administration were mentioned.

In August 2021 EHU Student Service Unit disseminated information on the principles of gender equality policy implemented at the university through the university's communication channels. In August - September 2021 EHU was assisted by a Russian, Belarusian and English-speaking psychologist who provided targeted counselling to students on the prevention of sexual violence among students. In September 2021 EHU has disseminated information on sexual abuse topics in its official Instagram account and invited students to participate in workshops on how to reduce the risk of such incidents, prevent them, and so on.

During the reporting period and earlier, staff at the EHU Center for Gender Studies at the Academic Department of Social Sciences (Almira Ousmanova, Uladzislau Ivanou and Elena Gapova) drafted texts on gender equality and inclusive measures to promote these principles (e.g., on inclusive language and inclusive education). Specific texts can be found on the EHU University website for the Gender Studies Center: <u>https://en.ehu.lt/research/centers-laboratories-and-institutes/center-for-gender-studies/</u>. In the spring of 2021, external trainees from the Center for Gender Studies specialized in inclusive education. In the spring of 2021, the Center for Gender Studies participated in the Wikipedia project on women's visibility in this virtual encyclopedia and published more than 40 new articles on it (<u>https://en.ehu.lt/news/wikigap-challenge-2/</u>). The staff of the Gender Studies Center also disseminates and promotes knowledge and opinions about gender equality in the Belarusian press and on social networks (comments, interviews, virtual public lectures, etc.).

### **STUDIES AND RESEARCH AND ART ACTIVITIES**

#### STUDIES

#### Study programmes

In AY 2020-2021 carried out 8 accredited study programmes. Academic Department of Social Sciences is responsible for bachelor study programmes "Media and communication", "World politics and economy", integrated study programme "International law and European Union law" and master study programme "Public policy". Academic Department of Humanities and Arts is responsible for bachelor

study programmes "Visual design", "European Heritage", master study programmes "Visual plastics" and "Cultural heritage development", as well as PhD programme in Philosophy.

In AY 2020-2021 Academic Department of Humanities and Arts created a new bachelor study programme "Theater Art and Acting" and received the decision on the positive evaluation and the programme and on the accreditation of first cycle studies in the field of theatre until the earliest evaluation of this field of studies.

In AY 2020-2021 Academic Department of Social Sciences created a new master's study programme "Gender Studies" and received the decision on the positive evaluation and the programme and on the accreditation of second cycle studies in the field of sociology until the earliest evaluation of this field of studies.

### Students

The number of students in AY 2020-2021 was 811 students (data as of October 1, 2020), as in AY 2019-2020 – 643 students (data as of October 1, 2019) and in AY 2018-2019 – 743 students (data as of October 1, 2018). It is worth mentioning that student numbers during the academic year fluctuate due to various reasons that cause student movement (academic leave, dismissal, re-admission, etc.).

The number of the students for AY 2020-2021 is presented in Table 1 separated by groups of study field groups, study fields and study programmes. During the reporting period, the number of students increased by 26.13%, compared to the previous reporting year.

#### Table 1

Group of study fields	Study field	Study programme	Cycle	Number of students
Humanities	Heritage Studies	European heritage	BA	61
		Cultural heritage development	MA	25
Art	Design	Visual design	BA	264
		Visual Plastics	MA	18
	Theater	Theater Art and Acting	BA	18
Social Sciences	Communication	Media and communication	BA	219
	Political Science	World politics and economy	BA	60
		Public policy	MA	36
Law	Law	International Law and European Union Law	Integrated studies	106
	Philosophy			4
		Total:		811

#### Study fields and study programmes, carried out in AY 2020-2021, and student number in them

In AY 2020-2021, 116 students graduated from EHU (which is 3.33 % less than the number of graduates in 2020). 52 full-time students (62 graduates in 2020) and 31 part-time students (40 graduates in 2020) received bachelor's diplomas. 18 students of an integrated study programme were awarded Master's diplomas and also Master's diplomas were awarded to 15 second cycle studies students.

During the reporting period 10 distance listeners were studying separate study subjects remotely at the University (more information on the system of open distance studies <u>https://ru.ehu.lt/ucheba/drugie-kursyi/</u>).

### **Student admission**

In 2021 prospective students were offered 9 bachelor, master and integrated study programmes in fulltime and part-time mode.

In 2021 a total of 281 prospective students (172 full-time and 59 part-time bachelors and 50 master's students) were invited to sign contracts. This is 37.37 % more compared to 2020, when a total of 176 students were admitted (86 full-time and 52 part-time bachelors and 29 masters).

#### Table 2

Study programmes	Students admitted in 2021	Students admitted in 2020	Students admitted in 2019	Students admitted in 2018
Bachelor study programmes (HR)	152	71	80	75
Visual design	48	25	37	42
European heritage	17	18	11	12
Media and communication	47	28	28	21
World politics and economy	21	0	4	n/a
Theater Art and Acting (from 2021)	19	-	-	-
Bachelor study programmes (LR)	56	67	73	74
Visual design	21	33	32	32
European heritage	-	-	8	15
Media and communication	24	19	25	27
World politics and economy	11	15	8	n/a
Integrated study programmes	23	9	13	37
International law and European Union law (HR)	23	9	3	17
International law and European Union law (LR)	-	-	10	20
Master study programmes	50	29	20	39
Cultural heritage development	17	7	7	12
Public policy	23	16	6	11
Visual plastics	10	6	7	16
Total	281	176	186	225

#### Comparison of student numbers, admitted in 2021, 2020, 2019, and 2018

During the admission campaign for AY 2021-2022 the EHU tried to attract as many students as possible from Belarus and from the surrounding countries: Russia, Ukraine, Sakartvelo and others. To achieve this goal in AY 2020-2021 the University participated in a number of higher education fairs: October 29, 2020 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Belarus, Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Sakartvelo; November 5, 2020 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Russia; December 18, 2020 – a virtual Studyin.lt fair; April 10, 2021 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from graduates from Eurasia; April 21, 2021 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Second Eurasia; April 21, 2021 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Eurasia; April 21, 2021 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Central Asia; May 5, 2021 – a Begin Group virtual fair for graduates from Ukraine.

During the COVID-19 pandemic quarantine, the student admission campaign moved online. University organized virtual Winter Open Days – "Holidays with EHU", a virtual day with EHU (on Aprli 24, 2021) and a virtual Master studies day (June 5, 2021). In March-April, 2021, as many as 25 webinars were held for the purpose enrolment were published on a dedicated part of the EHU website. On August 2-22, 2021 an additional admission phase was organized.

University carried out its admission campaign not only on social networks, but on internet media as well. Advertising articles about the University were commissioned on such well-known portals as tut.by, 34travel.me, the magazine "Belarusians and the Market", and the newspaper "Vecherniy Mogilev". The promotional integration of University information into the program of the well-known Russian blogger Maxim Katz has also been completed.

During the reporting period, the University supported those Belarusian students who came to study at EHU due to the deteriorating political situation in the country and the repression of the regime there in various forms. As a result, new factors have emerged that negatively affect the student admission process:

- Difficulties or restrictions on the movement of persons due to the deteriorating situation in Belarus – flight cancellations and other;
- Negative influence of Belarusian propaganda, including with regard to the EHU;
- Restrictions on online media in Belarus (closures of Internet portals, etc.), which negatively affected the amount of promotion information ordered by EHU;
- COVID-19 pandemic and related restrictions.

Despite these negative factors, in the admission campaign for AY 2021–2022 57 % more of freshmen were admitted than last year. The number of international students has also increased.

#### Management of studies

Reporting AY 2020-2021 was exceptional due to the continuing global pandemic and the quarantine in Lithuania announced at the end of autumn.

During autumn semester, the modes and forms of study at the University returned to the traditional form (classroom contact work and independent work via the VLE Moodle). The studies of part-time

bachelor students and master students were initially planned in the distance mode. But the implementation of full-time studies also had to be adjusted quickly and switched to remote enforcement starting November, as quarantine was introduced in Lithuania.

In the spring semester, due to the pandemic situation and the quarantine continuing in Lithuania, all study programmes were carried out only remotely. The fact that the majority of University faculty had considerable distance learning experience in part-time and master's studies greatly facilitated the rapid transition to distance in full-time studies and the study process during all year went smoothly.

In order to ensure the continuity of contact work online in full-time study mode under quarantine conditions and to respond promptly to any problems that may arise, the Academic Support Center monitored the contact work of lecturers through video conferencing and student activity in the Moodle virtual learning environment throughout the academic year. Such special monitoring made it possible to timely identify the problems of students' activity studying in distance mode and the difficulties of teachers in adapting to new working conditions and to respond to them.

University study process is managed by Academic Support Center. Study management activities in the University include management processes in the following three internal databases:

1) Study management system "Edina",

2) Virtual learning environment "Moodle",

3) Library information system "Koha".

These databases collect and administer all data on study programmes, their implementation, student learning outcomes, carry out the study process in a virtual learning environment and archives digital learning materials, carry out library cataloguing and patron service.

Study administration activities are also carried out in the following external databases, to which data related to studies and research / art activities are periodically provided and / or regularly updated:

1) Student' register,

2) Diploma register,

3) eLABa institutional repository for final thesis and publications,

4) Database for the results of research (art) activity of Lithuanian Research Council "Vieversys".

In addition to administrative work in these databases, the following study management processes and procedures are performed by the Academic Support Center:

1) There is a one-stop student request service, i.e. one-stop-shop acceptance, review and, if necessary, referral of student requests and applications to other divisions, within the framework of this service, orders are prepared on the basis of applications, various certificates and academic certificates are prepared for students upon request.

2) Centralized preparation of study schedules and timetables.

3) Coordination of quality assurance processes of the University.

4) Coordination of research and art activity, accumulation of data on these activities and their provision for external institutions.

5) Library supervision and development.

6) Communication with external institutions supervising studies and research activities.

7) Cooperation with external providers of IT services.

8) Preparation of documents regulating University activities related to studies (regulation of everyday activities, regulation of periodical and long term processes).

#### Digitization of studies and development of distance/blended learning possibilities

The distance / blended model of study organization and the long-term experience of the University in this field allowed for a smooth organization of studies in distance mode during pandemic AY 2020-2021.

During AY 2020-2021 EHU activities in the field of digitization of studies, as previously, were attributed to the competence of the Academic Support Centre and were developed in the following similar areas as previously but due to the pandemic conditions and subsequent full "migration" of the University to the Internet gained additional importance and features:

1. Development of support system for faculty, students and administrative staff:

1.1. Professional development of EHU faculty and staff. During the reporting period introductory trainings for new teachers "Moodle elementary" were organized in both the fall and spring semesters. Trainings in the use of video conferencing tools for teachers were also organized ("Use of video conferencing tools in the study process"). A package of information and methodological materials for teachers prepared earlier was updated, regular consultations on the transfer of the study process to the virtual space were carried out and assistance was provided to teachers in preparing tasks and conducting exams remotely.

1.2. *Regular support and assistance for teachers and students.* Administrative staff of Academic Support Center responsible for digitization of studies and the maintenance of VLE Moodle provide ongoing advice and assistance for teachers and students starting from assistance for teachers in technical, methodological and educational aspects of distance courses creation and ending with redirecting of very practical questions about forgotten passwords and etc. to the EHU IT service (outsourcing).

2. Quality monitoring of digitalization of studies and distance/blended learning. Quality monitoring actions not only serve for regular quality improvement but also allow to collect data for the annual evaluation of the activity of teachers and on their impact on the digitization of studies. As previously, there were the following fields of quality monitoring during AY 2020-2021:

2.1. Certification of new distance/blended learning courses for undergraduate part-time and *master studies*. During AY 2020-2021 9 new courses were developed and certified in the fall semester and 28 courses in the spring semester.

2.2. Monitoring of the tutoring in all Bachelors (part-times mode) and Master distance/blended courses. Certification is conducted regularly each semester. Generalized and personal evaluation reports of teachers' activities in VLE Moodle were prepared by the staff of Academic Support Centre for the purpose of monitoring the process of studies.

2.3. *Monitoring of online classes.* Starting from AY 2018-2019 University monitors teachers' activities in scheduled online classes for part-time and master studies in the aspect of teachers' timeliness and the level of student activity in the distance learning environment. It was continued in AY 2020-2021. This was especially important as due to the pandemic all of the study activities moved to the virtual space.

3. Technical, methodological and administrative support for digitization of studies and development of distance/blended learning.

3.1. Administration of certain virtual platforms supporting distance/blended learning. It is one of the most important aspects in digitization of studies and responsible staff from Academic Support Centre, as per usual practice, took care of the administration of VLE Moodle, an anti-plagiarism system Turnitin, study information system "EDINA", also in cooperation with academic departments administrated videoconferencing system "Zoom".

3.2. *Methodical support for faculty and students.* In AY 2020-2021 <u>the package of methodical and</u> <u>informational materials</u> for teachers related to the full transfer of studies to virtual space was amended, assistance when creating tasks for intermediate assessment and exams was provided.

It should also be mentioned that in AY 2020-2021 University teachers had a very wide range of opportunities to participate in in-service training events for teachers of the Open Society University Network (OSUN), of which the University is a member. A methodical tool in English and Russian "<u>EH</u> <u>Response to COVID-19. Creative Assignment Ideas for Teaching at a Distance</u>" dedicated to the specifics of the transfer of higher education studies based on the concept of liberal arts to virtual space and distance learning was prepared in the framework of this network.

In addition to the above-mentioned activities in the development of the digitization of studies, in AY 2020-2021 the Department of Social Sciences of the University carried out the project "University without borders" (<u>https://uwb.education/</u>), during which a cycle of in-service training events related to the digitization of studies, teleworking and digital educational innovations "Teaching online is easy!" was organized for all University teachers; methodological material was prepared. Another important result of this project is the development of a website that allows the University to offer more distance learning services not only to University students but also to external listeners.

## Local and international activities, student exchange

In cooperation with the University's academic departments, centers and divisions, EHU's Communication and Development Unit coordinates and promotes the University's international cooperation, mobility and international projects.

International mobility events in AY 2020-2021 were highlighted by:

- Erasmus+ Higher Education Charter 2021-2027 successfully submitted;
- Summaries of Erasmus+ student document management (learning agreements) and interinstitutional agreements implemented;
- The final report of the Erasmus+ project AIMED was submitted. EHU participated in the project as a partner. On May 5, 2021 a virtual project event was organized for Lithuanian higher education institutions together with the project partner Vytautas Magnus University. Representatives of 27 Lithuanian higher education institutions participated in the event. The aim of the event was to disseminate the results of the AIMED project in Lithuania and to encourage other higher education institutions to use the platform created during the project;
- EHU received a total of EUR 58 850 funding for Erasmus+ staff and student grants within key action KA131. These funds will be used during AY 2021-2023;
- A grand total of 20 students received Erasmus grants in AY 2020-2021. Three of the m continued their mobility abroad in spring semester;
- Eight students received Erasmus internship grants for participation in the student internship mobility programme.

Table 3

Study cycle	Study programme	Student mobility for studies	Student mobility for internships
Bachelor studies	European Heritage		1
	Media and Communication	6	1
	Visual Design	12	5
	World Politics and Economy		1
Integrated studies	International Law and European	2	
	Union Law		

Factual outgoing student mobility in 2020-2021 via Erasmus

In AY 2020-2021 incoming and outgoing staff mobility was not realized due to COVID-19 pandemic and related restrictions.

15 students came to the University under Erasmus and other exchange programs. One of them extended their studies for the spring semester.

Traditionally, all incoming students were assigned mentors from the pool of students already studying at the University. Such a system makes it easier and smoother for new students to integrate into the new cultural and educational ecosystem.

During the reporting period, the University continued to participate in the Lithuanian State Scholarship Program, which reimburses postgraduate tuition fees and provides scholarships to applicants. The target audience for this program is graduates from post-Soviet countries, including Belarus. Six EHU students received such scholarships for AY 2021-2023.

The short-term (for 1-2 semesters) scholarship program reimburses tuition fees and provides scholarships to applicants. Two students (from Kazakhstan and Ukraine) who came to study at EHU received such scholarships.

In 2020, the EHU Erasmus Student Network was established. During the reporting period, EHU ESN representatives participated in the following conferences held in Lithuania:

Table 4

Event	Participation date
National platform Nr.44	02-10-2020
National platform Nr.45	27-03-2021
National platform Nr.46	14-06-2021
National platform Nr.47	28-09-2021

#### EHU participation in ESN conferences, 2021

It should be noted that with the support of the EHU Student Service Unit and the EHU Communication and Development Unit, 15 different virtual and traditional events were organized for incoming and regular students.

#### **Quality assurance activities**

In the context of EHU's mission as a student-centred university, the University will be pursuing its mission statement from EHU Strategy for 2019-2024. The strategic goals are directly related to the assurance of internal study quality and international level study process at the University. Qualitative and quantitative objectives are set for each strategic goal, covering the whole study process and the University's academic activities, ensuring internal quality enhancement, including preparation of new study programmes, involvement of the academic community in quality improvement processes. All quality assurance statements are set in "Quality Policy for Studies and Science at the European Humanities University" (No. 123-20, 16-05-2017), "Quality Manual and Performance Indicators", etc. These and other documents define the internal quality assurance system and allocate responsibility for its planning, implementation and development among the Rector, the University Senate, Head of Academic Affairs, Academic Departments and the University Science Centers, Divisions and other units.

The results of surveys are constantly analysed at the University. They are discussed at rectorate meetings, academic departments of the University, study programme committees, and meetings with students.

The aim of the development and implementation of a feedback system in the study process is to effectively and systematically monitor the quality of the study process. In AY 2020-2021, as previously, the University collected various quantitative and qualitative data that allow assess the study process and the quality of studies – student, teacher and graduate surveys, statistical study information, and discussions with academic departments on individual study quality issues. The organization of the student feedback process is regulated by the "EHU Study Feedback Organization Procedure" (No. 123-20, 16-05-2017).

As each year particular attention was paid to the process of data collection - student feedback surveys on the quality of the study subjects were conducted in autumn and spring semesters. The results of the surveys were introduced to faculty, heads of department and broader discussions were held at interuniversity meetings attended by University students, faculty and administration. This way students, as the most influenced part of the University's academic community, in cooperation with teachers and the administration of academic units help to identify problems arising in the study process and contribute to the search for rational solutions to them.

During AY 2020-2021 academic year, as before, the reasons for the dropout of students were monitored, systematized and summarized. Summarizing the data collected during the reporting year, it can be stated that there were usually two reasons for termination of studies: voluntary termination of studies and elimination due to non-progress or financial arrears. Students voluntarily dropped out of studies due to various personal reasons, health problems, and family circumstances. Others dropped out due to a difficult financial situation, which made it difficult to reconcile studies and work.

Student ability to learn and general satisfaction with studies is also determined by their psychological well-being. In 2020, a position of psychologist was established at EHU.

Psychological support for students include:

- → Individual psychological consultations for students;
- → Motivational interviews with students who want to drop out;
- → Psychoeducational consultations;
- → Seminars on relevant topics: time planning, effective learning skills improvement, stress reduction for smooth learning.

On average, about 15–17 students sought psychological counselling per week. "Psychological help with study issues" is a rather rare request from students. They usually approached with other requests that, of course, have a direct impact on their studies.

COVID-19 pandemic had the greatest impact on the University's activities in 2020. Due to the pandemic quarantine was announced twice (Resolutions of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania: On the Announcement of Quarantine in the Territory of the Republic of Lithuania No. 207 of March 14, 2020 and On the Announcement of Quarantine in the Territory of the Territory of the Republic of Lithuania No. 1226 November 4, 2020). During the quarantine, the University had to switch to distance or blended mode of studies and work.

When organizing the study process during the emergency situation (due to the COVID-19 pandemic) and in order to ensure the quality of distance learning, the management of distance learning virtual spaces is regularly evaluated every semester, VLE Moodle newly developed distance learning courses are evaluated on the set of quality criteria as well as the quality of part-time course tutorage (based on the "Procedure for Digitization of Studies and Conducting Studies in Distance (Blended) Mode" (No. 01-68, 17-07-2018)).

In 2020 an external evaluation of the fields of study began. In 2021 The Academic Department of Humanities and Arts has started preparing self-evaluation reports in the fields of Design and Heritage studies. An external evaluation of these fields is scheduled for the second quarter of 2022.

In October 2020 University introductory classes for first-year students of all study programmes and modes took place. The purpose of the introductory classes is to help students integrate into the University community, to understand and facilitate communication with faculty and administration, to consolidate freshman choice, and to increase motivation to study.

#### Student survey data

A routine bi-annual student survey was conducted in autumn and spring semesters of AY 2020-2021. The survey was organized electronically (in the spring semester) and by submitting paper questionnaires (in autumn semester). Anonymous questionnaires for the University students were submitted via the University study information system (IS) survey module. Based on internal legal acts of the University the survey data is considered representative and can be used in general reporting only when at least 55% of students of the course participate in the survey. If fewer participate in the survey the data are still used for teachers' performance evaluation procedure, but only as an additional data.

In AY 2020 – 2021 15.65 % of students participated in the survey (10.16 % in AY 2019-2020; 28.92 % - AY 2018-2019).

Online surveys, i.e. the use of the survey module of the information study system, still does not live up to expectations and the survey of students with the help of paper questionnaires still allows for the collection of more feedback data. The hope was that with the entire University working only remotely, online feedback surveys would pay off, but this did not happen. Therefore, for the next academic year, it is planned to look for ways to motivate students to use the online survey system much more actively. Student survey data of the AY 2020-2021 is presented in Table 5.

#### Table 5

#### Summarized results of student feedback survey on teacher evaluation for AY 2020-2021\*

Study programme	Full-time studies	Part-time studies	Full-time studies	Part-time studies
	Autumn semester		Spring semester	
European heritage			8,86	9,09
Visual design			7,98	8,55
World politics and economy			-	8,49
Media and communication			8,93	8,68
International law and European			8,80	9,58
Union law				
Cultural heritage development			8,95	-
Visual plastics			8,42	-
Public policy			5,18	-

\*Evaluation scale: 1 -10

Systematized results of the survey on the quality of teaching of the study subjects are presented to the heads of academic departments according to separate criteria and specific student comments. Feedback data collected from participants of the study process is used by:

• University faculty for the improvement of the content of study subject,

- Senate Study Programme Committee and Administration for continuous quality assurance and improvement of the study programme, analysis of the study programmes to be undertaken,
- Programme (Field) Committees for internal evaluation and improvement of the study programme,
- Teacher's Evaluation Commission for annual evaluation of teachers' performance,
- Academic Support Center and University Administration for the development of unit and University activities.

A student satisfaction survey was also conducted in the AY 2020-2021. The obtained data allowed assessing the extent to which the University meets students' expectations and how the quality of the study environment is assessed. Satisfaction with individual components of studies and their environment was assessed. The overall score by which students rated the quality of their studies and their environment was 7.99 points out of 10 possible points in AY 2020-2021 (7.43 points out of 10 possible points in AY 2019-2020).

## **RESEARCH AND ART ACTIVITIES**

According to the order of the Minister of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania "Regarding the Evaluation of Research and Development and Evaluation of the Arts and Sciences of the Universities and Research Institutions in 2018" (December 4, 2017), European Humanities University is annually participating in the process of evaluation of research and art activities. Taking into account the evaluation requirements, the research carried out at the University and the practical potential of the University faculty to carry out research activities, three assessment units were formed – the Unit of Humanities, the Unit of Social Sciences and the Unit of Arts. The function of these units is to fully reflect and provide key data for evaluation of the University research (art) activities in particular fields. The Evaluation unit of Humanities represents main characteristic of research activity in the fields of History and Philosophy. The Evaluation unit of Social sciences represents main characteristic of research activity in the fields of Law, Politics and Communication. The Evaluation unit of Arts represents main characteristic of artistic activity in the art field of Design.

The evaluation procedure of the research (art) activities is performed by the Research Council of Lithuania and is usually performed in the first half of the following year of the year which had been evaluated. Because of this principle research (art) activity results of calendar year 2020 were delivered for the evaluation at the end of April 2021. As a systemised University research (art) activity output results enable to indicate, in 2020 overall 36 research publications and their parts (one less than in 2019) (18 in Humanities and 19 in Social sciences) had been created. The absolute number of works created by the University's artists in the field of design in 2020 is 28. However, in connection with the direct negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the full performance of professional art dissemination activities, the Research Council of Lithuania postponed the evaluation of works of art to 2021. 2020 The works of professional art created in 2021 will be evaluated together with the ones created in 2021 (evaluation will take place in 2022). The most significant works of art that meet the criteria of the highest professionalism and internationality will be selected and submitted for evaluation. Research (art) activity evaluation results presented by the Research Council of Lithuania is showing that overall evaluation results by evaluation points when evaluating the general situation for 2017-2020 that increased significantly in 2017 and 2018 are increasing (humanities: 2017 – 10 points; 2018 – 141 points; 2019 – 181.4 points; 2020 – 196.9 points) or maintaining the level reached (social sciences: 2017 – 32.6 points; 2018 – 46.3 points; 2019 – 138.2 points; 2020 – 103.016 points). Overall indicators of the results of the evaluation of scientific (artistic) activities for 2020 (for the sake of objectivity, presenting only the results of the evaluation of humanities and social sciences), are slightly lower than in 2019 (2019 – 319.6 points; 2020 – 299.9 points). Nevertheless they remain 7 times higher than those from 2017 (42.6 points). In 2017 the reform of scientific (artistic) activities was launched at the University.

Significant change in productivity and quality in science (art) activities was achieved through further purposeful development of EHU Research (Art) Strategy 2019–2024 (https://en.ehu.lt/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/20190701 EHU RA Strategy.pdf) that identified and distinguished key areas of activity related to process management, researcher mobility, internationalization, the quality of research publications and works of art, and greater involvement in research projects. Assessing the perspective of the AY 2020–2021 and the implementation of the set priorities for the development of research (art) activities, it can be stated that 9 out of 16 tasks for the improvement of the situation with research (art) activities set in the Research (Art) Strategy 2019–2024 have already been implemented and are being implemented.

In accordance with the legal requirements related to the principles of organization of the study process and the priorities of activities provided for in the EHU Research (Art) Strategy, research (art) activities are strongly connected with the study programmes operating at the University. From the end of the AY 2018–2019, EHU conducts research in five fields of science (history, philosophy, law, political science, communication and information) and design art. Due to the successful development policy of study activities in the AY 2020-2021 and the acquired rights to implement new study programmes, in the near future the strategic documents of the University's research (art) activities will be supplemented with new fields of science and art - theater, sociology and information technology. The emergence of the latter field of science is a significant strategic step in expanding the profile of the University's academic activities and responding to the changes taking place in the life of society, creating a precondition for the study of natural sciences and high-quality humanities-social-natural sciences. Taking into account the existing needs and challenges, EHU faculty and researchers is constantly encouraged to strive for higher results in scientific and pedagogical activities in each of the fields of study. The promotion policy can be divided into two main segments - 1) financial support for the implementation of individual research (art) activities of teachers (publishing of publications, conferences, trips, social projects, etc.); 2) performance evaluation and motivation system (taking into account the individual performance of teachers, in which the essential weighting factor is the results of research (art) activities, teachers are paid bonuses amounting to 10 to 20% of their annual salary). It should be emphasized that, after its creation, the system of performance evaluation and motivation was implemented in full for the first time in 2020.

Noticeable part of the research activity in the reporting period was conducted by the following research Centers and Laboratories: Center for Gender Studies; Center for Intersubjectivity and Interpersonal Communication Studies (until 2020 – Center for Philosophical Anthropology "Topos"); Laboratory of Critical Urbanism; Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights; German and European Studies Center (until 2020 German Studies Center); Laboratory of Visual Culture and Contemporary Art Research (until 2020 Laboratory of Visual Culture Research); Center for Belarus and Regional Studies (until 2020 Institute for Research of Belarus History).

It is worth mentioning that EHU's research centers are led by distinguished faculty, each of whom has developed significant expertise in their field. The goal of each center is not only to promote ad carry out research, but also to serve as a focal point for networking among scholars of relevant fields of science. EHU's research centers focus on a diversity of subjects in the humanities and social sciences, ranging from critical urbanism and contemporary art to legal and historical research.

In this context, it is worth mentioning the project "Strengthening the potential of the EHU Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights by implementing new activities" implemented by EHU Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights in AY 2020-2021. The following results were achieved during the project: 1) the website of the center was created, https://cchr.online; 2) EHU Law Clinic was established;

3) active involvement in the activities of the international network of legal experts by participating in and organizing international conferences, webinars and legal consultations.

The research centers together with the academic departments in AY 2020-2021 organized more than 240 scientific-artistic events, including publications, conference reports, science popularization activities, projects, etc. Given the still unfavourable general situation for holding events in a stationary format, many of these activities have been relocated and successfully implemented in the digital space. The most significant activities are the series of webinars on feminism "One's Own Room. Feminist Thursdays" (2020-2021): project Creating a Gender Responsible Learning Environment through Gender

Thursdays" (2020-2021); project Creating a Gender-Responsible Learning Environment through Gender Sensitive Educators (2021-2022); public presentations of science monograph "Without the Future. Depression and the Authoritarian Society. Vilnius 2020"; webinar on asymmetry in interpersonal relationships in collaboration with the Center for Studies in Practical Knowledge, Södertörn University; webinar "Constituents of Solidarity: Between Ethics and Politics" in collaboration with the Center for Baltic and Eastern European Studies (Södertörn University) and the Center for Studies in Practical Knowledge (Södertörn University); Summer School on Knowledge Infrastructure in the Post-Nuclear City "Post-Nuclear Urbanism" (August 17-29, 2021, Visaginas, Lithuania); a series of seminars entitled "Renewal, Endurance and Care: Spaces and Rhythms of Urban Industrial Entanglements"; summer camp "Post-Carbon Futures: Cities, Industries and Energies in Central Europe" organized with partners (September 19-26, 2021, Halle, Germany); project "Belarus 2020: Lawyers Pro et Contra", project "University Without Borders: Promoting Democratic Values and Dealing with Disinformation through Online Education", International online conference for EHU students, graduates, teachers and the Belarusian NGO "Evaluation of the Initiative Humanitarian Knowledge - into practice "; creative project film "Recollection about COVID-19" (2020).

The activities of the Center for Belarus and Regional Studies, which was reorganized and renewed in the AY 2020-2021, deserve special attention. In view of the political situation in Belarus and the sanctions it has imposed on Belarusian researchers supporting the opposition, the EHU, and in particular the Center for Belarus and Regional Studies, has become a center of financial and humanitarian support for these researchers. This initiative has created a high-quality synergy between academic teams, which has not only helped to meet the mission of supporting researchers in difficult situations, but has also significantly strengthened the potential of EHU's research activities in the field of history. In the AY 2020-2021, 18 Belarusian scientific publications, and participated in 20 scientific conferences. Currently, there is 1 individual monograph, several collective publishing projects, about 20 scientific articles in the process of preparation. In addition to fundamental scientific work, during the reporting period, researchers also carried out about 50 activities of various kinds to popularize science. It should be noted that this research team should be supplemented by 4 more researchers in the AY 2021-2022,

who will be supported by the Open Society University Network's Threatened Scholars Initiative (for more information, see EHU's participation in the Open Society University Network).

In AY 2020–2021, the EHU Legal Clinic started operating at the University. The project "EHU Legal Clinic" was launched in December 2020 on student initiative. The reason for establishing the clinic was the need to improve the practical skills of students of the integrated study programme in International Law and European Union Law, as well as to educate and inform Belarusian civil society about the political crisis and mass violations of human rights in the Republic of Belarus after the presidential electionin August 2020.

Although, as mentioned earlier, the pandemic significantly limited the opportunities for professional art dissemination, with some activities moving to cyberspace and organizing art events within the set limits, some significant achievements of the University's artists in the international arena can still be mentioned. The participation of Sergei Selezky, Associate Professor of Arts, at the 6th International Watwrcolor Biennial Belgrade 2020 was named as the most significant; demonstration of the works of Professor Artūras Raila in a group exhibition in Prague (Group exhibition "The Cave and the Garden", Center for Contemporary Art "Art Futura", Prague, Czech Republic); participation of Julia Titowa, Associate Professor of Arts, and winning of the International Animated Film Festival (Winner of ANIMARKT Stop Motion Forum2020, Lodz, Polska); Kseniya Shtalenkova, PhD student in philosophy, received a special prize at the International Drama Competition ("Just Very Hard" (play, 30 pages). International Drama Competition Badenweiler-2020, Stuttgart, Germany, June 2020), etc.

Taking into account the transformations and optimization processes in the field of science (art) activities of the University presented in the previous activity reports, the periodical peer-reviewed scientific journal "Crossroads" was discontinued in the AY 2020-2021. The peer-reviewed scientific journal "Tsaytshrift" is related to specific research in the field of Judaism and the publication of its results, and therefore does not have a regular periodicity and was not published in AY 2020-2021. From AY 2020-2021, on the decision of the University management, the main scientific peer-reviewed journal published by EHU is scientific journal "Topos" and it will be continued to be published regularly (biannually).

#### **PROJECTS ACTIVITIES**

In AY 2020-2021 the academic community of the University continued to be active in initiating and implementing new project initiatives both at the national and regional (Lithuania - Belarus) and international levels. During this period, a number of regional and international projects were implemented, the results of which significantly contributed to the long-term goals of the University, had a significant positive social impact on the target groups or directly and effectively addressed the persecution and repressions of individuals (Belarusian university students, lecturers, researchers), that significantly increased after the presidential elections in that country in August 2020.

# Projects implemented by EHU in AY 2020-2021

P	Project title and number: University Without Borders, SLH50020GR0028					
Place of implementatio n	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementation period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	127 800	Coordinat or	U.S. Department of State, federal assistance award	102 240	15-10-2020 – 15-10-2021	
Project aims	and results	public and	impact of disinform academic capacity t ervices at EHU.			
	Project tit	le and numbe	r: Jewish Heritage, SL	H50020GR0025		
Place of implementatio n	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementation period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	21 300	Coordinato r	U.S. Department of State, federal assistance award	17 040	15-10-2020 – 15-10-2021	
Project aims a		administratio	Lithuanian experiend	e sites to Belarusiar	n partners.	
Project title and	l <b>number: C</b> ultu	ral Road of Fr	ancysk Skaryna (stage 01	e Polotsk – Vilnius),	No P2021-VB-BA-	
Place of implementatio n	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementation period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	33 070	Coordinato r	Development Cooperation and Democracy Promotion Programme of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania	23 992	17-03-2021 – 10- 11-2021	
Project aims a	Project aims and results         Contribute to the preservation and promotion of the cultural heritage associated with the personality of Francysk Skaryna through the Council of Europe's Cultural Routes model.					
Project title and number: Ideas and tools for the development of European cultural heritage in Belarus, No P2021-VB-BA-02						

Place of implementati on Vilnius, Lithuania	Total value of the project, EUR 36 860	EHU part in the project Coordinato r	Donor Development Cooperation and	Funding received during reporting period, EUR 17 200	Implementation period 17-03-2021 – 01- 11-2022	
			Democracy Promotion Programme of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania			
	s and results ct title and numl	d results Promote the European Heritage Label (EHL) in Belarus, iden potential sites in Belarus that could be added to the list of Europe heritage sites, and develop new strategies for interpreting such sites The project aims to create preconditions for further integration Belarus into the European cultural space and to actualize the Europe dimension of cultural heritage. tle and number: Belarus Rapid Response Program, No AID-OAA-L-15-00007				
Place of	Total value of	EHU part	Donor	Funding	Implementation	
implementati on	the project, EUR	in the project		received during reporting	period	
				period, EUR		
Vilnius, Lithuania	14 656	Coordinat or	USAID	5 777	22-03-2021 – 31- 10-2021	
	s and results	the field of i good distan propaganda countermea	nars and other events nteractive teaching m ce learning practices. in the media sures. Debate as the e ratic values and the ch	ethodology and th Identification of c and developmer ssence of public ci	e dissemination of disinformation and nt and use of vic discourse.	
,		•	earning, SLH50021GR3	J		
Place of implementati on	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementation period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	150 325	Coordinat or	U.S. Department of State, federal assistance award	0	18-10-2021 – 17-02-2023	
Project aims	s and results	<ul> <li>Encourage the political, legal and media literacy of relevant societies (especially Belarus) by increasing access to higher education through innovative distance learning methods.</li> <li>Project status on October 31, 2021: decision on financing of the project has been made.</li> </ul>				
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Vilnius, Lithuania	176 507	Coordinato r	Erasmus+ KA107 mobility program	23 276	AY 2020–2022
Project aims and resultsStudent mobility by study programmes.					
Project ti	tle and number	: Financial sup	port for Student schola	arships, No MS -201	19-LT-1722
Place of implementati on	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementatio n period
Vilnius, Lithuania	9 760	Beneficiary	Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania	5 500	AY 2020–2021
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Project ti	tle and number	Financial sup	port for Student schola	arships, No MS -202	21-LT-1836
Place of implementatio n	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementatio n period
Vilnius, Lithuania	57 700	Beneficiar Y	Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania	11 880	AY 2020–2021
Project aims and resultsMobility of students (studies and practical training), teachers (teaching and training) and staff (training) with partner countries' universities under the KA103 Erasmus+.					
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Place of implementati on	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementatio n period
Vilnius, Lithuania	106 000	Beneficiar Y	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania	101 000	22-06-2021 – 17-12-2021
Project aims and results		Support of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania for Research and Experimental Development (Non-Economic Activities) in 2021			

### **EHU Emergency Fund**

In 2020, the EHU Emergency Fund was established at EHU to support Belarusian students and researchers affected by the authoritarian regime in Belarus. The Republic of Lithuania, the Kingdom of Norway and the Kingdom of Denmark, the Republics of Finland and Estonia, and Sweden Institute (Sweden) responded quickly to the difficult situation of students and researchers in Belarus and became the main donors to the fund.

At the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2021, the EHU prepared applications for financial support in accordance with the procedures established by the donors. Financing agreements were signed during the same period. The financing decision was approved and the support to the Emergency Fund was granted by the Republic of Lithuania (EUR 200 000), the Swedish Institute (total allocated EUR 98 324, received during the reporting period – EUR 88 492), and the Kingdom of Norway (total allocated and received during the reporting period EUR 47 000) and the Kingdom of Denmark (total allocated EUR 40 000, received during the reporting period – EUR 32 000), the Republic of Estonia (total allocated and received during the reporting period – EUR 50 000).

During the reporting period, 96 Belarusian students who came to study at EHU during the reporting period received support from the EHU Emergency Fund.

## Consultations and Information for EHU community about the possibilities of project funding

During AY 2020-2021 regular consultations were organized to the EHU academic community on the issues of project preparation and implementation, and information on project funding opportunities at the national Lithuanian, regional and international levels was provided by electronic means.

In addition to these regular activities, the EHU Rector's Office and the EHU project coordinator hosted a number of related events online at the invitation of the University's Academic Support Center. The most important of these was the virtual seminar for the teachers from Belarusian Universities "Preparation and Implementation of a Competitive Research Project. Review of Project Funding Opportunities" held on April 29, 2021. The seminar was led by the EHU project coordinator.

On July 1, 2021 a meeting of the EHU Senate took place, during which the EHU project coordinator presented the University's project activities, ongoing projects and future plans.

#### EHU activities within Open Society University Network (OSUN)

Intensive and full integration of the European Humanities University into the Open Society University Network (OSUN) started in 2020 after signing the agreement on EHU's participation in OSUN activities on August 26, 2020. Although the partnership between the European Humanities University and Bard College (Bard College (USA) and Central European University (Austria) are the main coordinating bodies for OSUN) in the academic field already has a long tradition, the signing of the EHU-OSUN operating agreement has preconditions for the University to develop activities aimed at the formation of a democratic and socially responsible society, the solution of socially significant problems. In order for institutional participation in these activities to be smooth and productive, in December 2020 the position of OSUN institutional coordinator was established. During AY 2020-2021, the University teachers and students started or implemented more than 20 OSUN-funded activities. These activities include student mini-projects, a student exchange program between OSUN institutions, specific study courses focused on building a democratic society, and short-term and long-term teacher projects. The following activities of EHU–OSUN can be distinguished as more significant and directly related to EHU's strategic goals:

- OSUN courses EHU teachers who have acquired competence in specialized training have taught and are teaching the following specialized OSUN courses to University students -Engaged Citizenship, Freedom of Expression, Alternate Worlds, Global Citizenship, Nations and Nationalism, Social Entrepreneurship. Prof. A. Kalbaska, together with teachers at Princeton University (USA), teaches an elective course "History Since 1300" to EHU students;
- Student micro-projects in AY 2020-2021 and currently, EHU students are implementing two OSUN-supported projects, "Bring the Names Back", for the study of the legacy of the Jewish community in Minsk, and "BARTSY", a project to support Belarusian artists (painters, sculptors) that economic crisis and direct action by the state authorities has deprived of career development opportunities;
- 3) EHU participation in Experimental Humanities Collaborative Network project at the initiative of Ass. Prof. S. Liubimau, EHU has joined one of the OSUN working groups - the Experimental Humanities Cooperation Network, whose main task is to raise issues related to humanities as a phenomenon under the influence of new technologies. These activities cover three phases, spread over a period of three years and are implemented at institutional, teacher and student level;
- 4) EHU participation in the program to support Threateden Scholars from 2021 EHU has joined the Threatened Scholars Initiative program, coordinated by the Central European University, to provide full support to researchers, artists and teachers at risk. In connection with political events in Belarus, participation in these activities directly corellates to EHU's strategic objectives (see more - Research);

- 5) *EHU participation in "Science Shop" project* in 2021 a project curated by the Department of Humanities and Arts and implemented jointly with the Central European University to increase student direct involvement in solving socially significant problems has also been launched. The aim of the project is to create a high-quality synergy between the research conducted by university students and the needs of non-governmental organizations;
- 6) *EHU student summer internship* in July December 2021 an internship for 14 EHU students supported by the OSUN Center for Human Rights and Arts is underway. This internship includes the activities of 6 students at the EHU Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights, the participation of 6 students in the field of art at the 13th Kaunas Biennial, 1 student's academic research related to the role of women in the protests in Belarus 2020.

In addition to the afore-mentioned activities, a number of smaller - individual and collective activities were carried out. Some of them are currently awaiting approval for financial support. In summary, in AY 2020-2021 EHU made significant progress in engaging in and implementing OSUN-supported activities. Quality integration of the University into inter-institutional projects, initiatives, etc. is an important condition for the development of the range of EHU socio-academic activities therefore the further development of this field naturally becomes one of the tasks of strategic activities.

#### EHU RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS CENTER

The activities of the EHU Research Publications Center during the reporting period were organized in accordance with the provisions of "Regulations of the EHU Research Publications Center" and the approved plan for publishing scientific publications in AY 2020–2021.

It can be stated that the EHU Research Publications Center has largely fulfilled the approved plan and achieved the set goals. During the reporting period, two additional items were included in the publishing plan. Three publishing positions have been carried over to the next academic year, provided the manuscripts are due by the end of 2021. Publications are available in several languages: English, Belarusian and Russian.

Two issues of the philosophical-cultural magazine "Topos" have been published (one in Russian and the other in English).

During the reporting period, the Center cooperated with the following publishers: Lohvinau / Logvin House of Literature (Belarus / Lithuania), Cyclone (Lithuania), Vilnius Academy of Arts Publishing House (Lithuania), KNORUS (Russian Federation), ROSSPEN (Russian Federation).

In AY 2020–2021 meetings of the EHU Research Publications Center were held regularly in the online format to decide on the guidelines for publishing manuscripts.

A license agreement has been concluded with the limited liability company Iteos (Scientific Electronic Library KiberLeninka (Russian Federation)) for the dissemination of information about EHU scientific publications.

#### EHU publications, AY 2020–2021

No	Author / responsible editor, publication	Language of publication	Publisher
	Department of Social Scie		
1	Bresky O. Introduction to European Legal Tradition.	Russian	KNORUS
2	Bresky O. (responsible editor) The Law of European Union Unification Policy.	Russian	KNORUS
3	Bresky O. (responsible editor) Genesis of the Constitutional Law of the European Union	Russian	Логвінаў
4	Kanstantiuk V. (responsible editor) Cruel Games and Game Controls	Russian / English	Manuscript presented, planned publication date November – December 2021
5	Liubimau S. (ed.) Re-tooling Knowledge Infrastructures in a Post-Nuclear Town	English	VAI
	Department of Humanities a	and Arts	
6	Mikhailov A. (ed.) The Language of Humanities: Between Word and Image	English	Ciklonas
7	Romanova I. The Sign of the Red Dragon: 1937 in Belarusian SSR	Russian	ROSSPEN, planned publication date Autumn of 2021
8	Seleckij S. Life without Meaning. Album	Russian	Логвінаў
9	Stureiko S. (responsible editor) European Heritage	Russian	Manuscript presented, planned publication date November – December 2021
10	Shabaltsev S. Belarusian in Argentina: Identification, Adaptation and Socio-Political Activities (end of 19 <sup>th</sup> – beginning of 20 <sup>th</sup> century)	Russian	Логвінаў
11	Shalanda A. (responsible editor) Belarusian groshy: research on financial history, money circulation and numismatics	Belarusian / Russian	Логвінаў

## SUPPORT FOR STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES

In AY 2020-2021 EHU Student Services Unit has consistently continued the activities as per the plan. Following the reality of the global pandemic that started in spring 2020 and new political situation in Belarus as of the end of the summer 2020, the unit's activities were adjusted to meet the challenges of the pandemic, the changing political environment in Belarus, and the growing need for the student community to participate in community and civic projects.

Significant changes have taken place in the University community with the introduction of the position of psychologist in the EHU Student Services Unit, who provides regular psychological counseling to University students in virtual and real space. EHU Student Service Unit has also launched a gender equality policy to help ensure the inclusion of the university community.

In addition to the traditional functions of the EHU Student Service Unit (assistance to EHU students staying and living in Vilnius – dormitory and visa issues, work with student personal data, other legal

issues), the unit also implemented a number of activities related to the gradual involvement of students in additional activities. Social, cultural, career and civic engagement activities were implemented to ensure the effective and targeted preparation of young people for the labour market.

A 24/7 contact line has been set up to provide comprehensive support to Belarusian students and University alumni facing threats from the authoritarian regime in Belarus.

#### **Projects and civic engagement**

Since 2010, the European Humanities University has funded more than 230 student projects for community, local or regional needs.

During AY 2020–2021 EHU supported 17 student initiatives, which received a total of more than EUR 3 050 in financial support. Thanks to this support, 6 EHU student clubs (Debate Club, FilmFilmFilm, FemThursday and others) operated efficiently and continuously during the pandemic, despite the fact that these activities, as well as academic activities, inevitably moved into the virtual space.

#### Student Career Center

In AY 2020–2021 the EHU Student Career Center continued its activities. In October 2020 the Center organized the EHU Soft Skills Camp, which invited representatives of Lithuanian non-governmental organizations and the most active students to a 3-day event. During the camp, public speaking, project preparation, psychological and other similar soft skills were developed.

The EHU Student Career Center has hosted a series of career-related virtual events or consultations: 9 webinars, 24 one-on-one consultations, 2 special sessions with a University psychologist to develop interview skills.

In May 2021 traditional career days were held in the virtual space with speakers from EPAM, Imaguru, CV-online, Alpha-Bank Corporation.

During the reporting period, EHU continued to disseminate information related to career opportunities in order to inform job-seeking students about employment opportunities and to present the most relevant and appropriate proposals of EHU social partners and alumni using the resources of the University Employment Resources Initiative.

#### Student participation in international activities and institutional cooperation

For the second year in a row, EHU is part of the Open Society University Network (OSUN). During autumn semester of AY 2020–2021, EHU students were able to enroll in 10+ courses organized by Bard College (USA), which are available through a partnership in the OSUN network. On April 10-11, 2021, EHU students participated in the international conference "Get Engaged-2021" organized by Bard College and OSUN. The conference was held online, with 150 students from 16 higher education institutions discussing various social projects and holding several seminars on the topic of project

management. In September 2021 the Science-shop project, developed and implemented in cooperation with the Central European University (CEU), was presented at the University.

In August 8-14, 2021 a summer university entitled "Human Rights for All: Restoring Justice: The Case of Belarus" was held at the European Humanities University to discuss human rights issues in Belarus.

For the third year in a row, the University implemented the project "Promotion of Civil Society in Belarus 3.0", supported by the Open Society Foundation.

The ReThink Belarus project, supporting Belarusian artists in exile, provided an opportunity for young Belarusian victims of the regime to set up an art camp. One of the activities of this project was a public art event in Vilnius dedicated to the first anniversary of the women's peace movement.

#### **Scholarships**

During the reporting period, EHU has traditionally provided financial support to students to ensure equal study opportunities and access to education for young people in Belarus. University students are offered access to several categories of scholarships for their academic and creative achievements, as well as financial support for socially vulnerable students or those who have suffered from authoritarian regimes in Belarus. In AY 2020–2021 the University awarded more than 100 000 euros in financial support to students in the form of scholarships, including incentive, departmental, social and special (Lobko Scholarship, Four Scholarship) scholarships.

#### **COMMUNICATION AND ALUMNI**

At the same time as providing financial support to Belarusian students and researchers experiencing repression in the homeland, the University maintains close links with a number of Belarusian-related organizations or networks in order to optimize and manage the flow of student applications to EHU. The following EHU partners are worth mentioning: BySOL crowd funding platform, Sviatlana Cichanouskaya office, Belarusian Student Solidarity Association, Freedom House office in Vilnius. At the end of October 2020, EHU became a member of the Lithuanian Social Innovation Cluster, established on the initiative of the Lithuanian Ministries of Education, Science and Sport and the Ministry of the Interior Affairs. The members of this network are related institutions located in the immediate vicinity of EHU in Vilnius.

In November 2020 EHU started cooperating with EPAM Systems. The company is one of the largest and most advanced IT companies in Belarus, listed on the New York Stock Exchange. The company was founded in 1993 in Minsk. It currently has 36 700 employees in 30 countries around the world. On November 11, 2020 Rector of EHU prof. S. Ignatov met with the President and CEO of EPAM Systems to discuss short-term and long-term plans for future cooperation:

 Presentation of IT courses designed and developed by EPAM for EHU students (scheduled for the spring semester of 2021-2022); Presentation of the IT bachelor study programme (scheduled for the autumn semester of 2021-2022).

The result of a year-long cooperation between EHU and EPAM Systems the agreement for the initiation of the IT bachelor's study programme was signed in April 2021. Description of the programme, developed in collaboration with EPAM Systems was submitted to the Lithuanian Study Quality Assessment Center (SKVC) in May 2021.

In March 2021 the Center for Belarus and Regional Studies has been established at EHU. The mission of the Center is to update the European perspective of Belarus cultural heritage and thus demonstrate Belarus geopolitical belonging to the European cultural space and the historical identity of Belarusians to European values.

In April 2021 a webinar was held at the University to discuss the human rights situation in Belarus. His Excellency Kai Kaarelson, Ambassador of the Republic of Estonia to the Republic of Lithuania, participated in the event.

In August 2021 the European Humanities University has expressed its solidarity with all members of the Afghan educational community and members of the country's civil society, who have been at serious risk since the Taliban came to power in the country and joined the joint urgent appeal of European governments and institutions.

In the summer of 2021, EHU was ranked as the second among Lithuanian private universities by the magazine "Reitingai".

#### Alumni

For many years, EHU graduates have been making significant contributions to the development of civil society, independent research and entrepreneurship in Belarus. 62% of EHU alumni returned to Belarus after graduating from University. 49% of EHU alumni earn more than the average salary in Minsk. 22 alumni have been detained during peaceful protests since August 9, 2020.Vladimir Pougatch (2001 class) is a member of the Coordinating Council.

Alumni continue to play an important role in fulfilling the University's mission and strategic goals. For this reason, the facts of alumni's lives are regularly included in the weekly newsletter and interviews published on the University's website, and alumni quotes are regularly published on the official EHU Instagram account.

In 2021 Civitta conducted a study of alumni on their impact on their country of origin, Belarus. 114 EHU graduates participated in the survey. It turned out that about two-thirds of graduates do not work in the field in which they graduated. This is mainly due to the fact that they work independently or in the IT sector. Hypothetically, such a large part of self-employment is the strength of EHU.

#### Events and situation in Belarus: alumni dimension

Presidential Candidate: Andrey Dzmitrieu (2015 class).

Election Observation: 35 student volunteers on the Zubr platform.

Coordinating Council: 5 former faculty members and Vladimir Pougatch (2001 class) among the members.

Detentions, until October 2021: 52 graduates and 10 students.

Political prisoners: 3 graduates – Mikalai Dziadok, Uladzimir Malachouski and Sofia Sapega.

On July 2, 2021 in the big yard of the university campus the Graduation ceremony 2021 of the European Humanities University took place. It was simultaneously webcasted on YouTube. At the ceremony, for the ninth time in EHU history, the results of the vote for the best University alumni award were announced. In 2021 the award went to Mikalai Dziadok, a graduate of the Bachelor's programme in World Politics and Economy (2019 class). Mikalai Dziadok is a public and political figure, blogger, journalist, multi-award winner, actively and honestly expressing his civic position. Mikalai's award was recieved by his friend, as Mikalai himself was a prisoner of the Belarusian authoritarian regime at the time.

In AY 2020-2021 a total of 116 graduates (83 bachelor and 33 master graduates) completed their studies at EHU.

Seventy-four EHU graduates completed the traditional questionnaire upon completion. Most of them (67) are already working or looking for work.

#### **Stakeholders and partners**

During the reporting period, several high-level meetings and initiatives took place at the university:

On November 6, 2020 a project application was submitted to the Swedish Institute (SI) for additional funding of EUR 100 000 to help students and researchers from Belarus facing repression and oppression from the regime. The allocation of funds was approved by the Swedish Institute the project was implemented in AY 2020-2021.

On November 10, 2020 meetings were held with the Danish Ambassador to Lithuania and the Norwegian Ambassador to Lithuania and Belarus and on November 16, 2020 a discussion was organized with the Estonian Ambassador to Lithuania. During the meetings, each of the ambassadors of these countries announced their commitment to provide additional scholarships to Belarusian students experiencing repressions in Belarus. The number of scholarships to be awarded is between 10 and 15 from each country.

On July 6, 2021 Katarina Mathernov, Deputy Director General for European Neighborhood and Development Negotiations, visited the European Humanities University to talk to University leaders, teachers and students.

On July 7, 2021 Danish Foreign Minister Jeppe Kofod visited EHU during their official visit to Lithuania. One of the main goals of the visit was to meet with University students. Rector of the University prof. Sergei Ignatov welcomed Minister Jeppe Kofod and thanked them for the full support of the Kingdom of Denmark to the EHU community.

On September 14, 2021 Dutch Ambassador to Belarus Daphne Bergsma and Embassy Director Erik-Jan van Oosterhout met with EHU students. The main purpose of the visit was to get acquainted with the students, to discuss the situation in Belarus and the actions taken by the European Union to resolve the political crisis in the country, as well as the position of the Netherlands towards Belarus.

#### **Protests in Belarus and publicity**

In 2020 the crisis in Belarus's education, legal and civil sectors has been exacerbated by both the COVID-19 pandemic and the increase in repression of Belarusian citizens following the country's presidential elections in 2020.

On May 23, 2021 Sofia Sapega, an EHU student, along with her friend, Belarusian journalist and blogger Raman Pratasevich, were arrested during a forced landing in Minks of a plane flying from Athens to Vilnius.

Sofia is a Russian citizen studying International Law and the European Union Law at the European Humanities University. The University issued an official report on the incident and called on international partners, donors, and human rights defenders to help liberate Sofia. After an intense media campaign in Reuters, Bloomberg, Sky News, BBC Russian, all over Lithuania, the main Russian and Belarusian media coverage of Sofia's case was heard all over the world. Official letters requesting the release of Sofia were sent to the leadership of the European Commission, other favourable EHU diplomatic contacts in the North Baltic region and the United States. Political demand for the release of Sofia was expressed on May 24, 2021 in the conclusions of the European Council. She was later detained by the KGB.

As a graduate of the EHU class of 2021, Sofia Sapega was due to receive a university diploma in July 2021, but this became impossible due to her arrest by the Belarusian regime and the declaration of Sofia as a political prisoner. Sofia's parents virtually welcomed other graduates of 2021 and expressed gratitude to the EHU community. Sofia was awarded a diploma *in absentia*.

In July 2021 the EHU issued a statement in support of Belarusian civil society and condemned the regime repressions, in particular the new wave of mass raids and persecution. Dozens of organizations and activists in the country were hit by it in the summer of 2021. Following the attack of Lukashenko against foreign foundations, non-governmental and non-profit organizations, the Propilei Center (EHU branch in Minsk) was temporarily closed in Belarus. It is planned to relaunch Propilei in virtual space in AY 2021-2022.

On September 9, 2021 in a special film made by the Belarusian state propaganda television channel Belarus 1, EHU was mentioned as a university training "extremists" to protest against Lukashenko.

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCES**

#### 1. EHU financing AY 2020-2021

Within the reporting period, the University's activities continued to be financed under financing agreements with Sida (Swedish International Development Agency, Sida). Within the reporting period, major donors of the activities carried on by the University were the EU and governments of Sweden and Lithuania. On 28 November, 2017, a financing agreement was concluded with Sida on the Swedish Government delegated funds in the amount of SEK 18 000 000 for the period 2017-2019. On 19 December, 2018 an arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the Swedish Government delegated funds in the amount of SEK 18 000 000 was concluded extending the agreement term until 2023, and the amount of financing was increased up to SEK 43 000 000, i. e. increased by SEK 25 000 000. On November, 2020 an additional arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the Swedish Government delegated funds and the financing amount was increased to SEK 45 000 000, i.e. for SEK 2 000 000. Under this agreement, the balance at the beginning of the reporting period amounted to EUR 569 901. The amount obtained within the reporting period was EUR 582 737, the drawn down amount – EUR 293 671, the balance at the end of the period was EUR 858 967. Also, on 23 September, 2020, a new funding agreement was signed with Sida on the EU delegated funds in the amount of EUR 2 243 000 for the period 2019-2021. On 1 July, 2021 an arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the EU delegated funds in the amount EUR 534 427 was signed and thus the financing amount was increased to EUR 2 777 427 in total. The amount actually obtained under this agreement during the reporting period was EUR 1 565 101 and the drawn down amount – EUR 1 842 844 of which EUR 277 743 was for EU indebtedness formed for the end of the last payment period, which will be paid to the University after the final report on the use of the funding has been approved in the EU. The actual cash entry into the EHU bank account is planned for June 2022.

Also in May, 2020 the grant agreement with Sida for the Lithuanian Government delegated funds was extended up to 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2021 (at the provisional stage this agreement was valid until 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2017 then extended until 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2020). Under this agreement in 31 October, 2019 additional amount of EUR 200 000 was transferred to the University, on 4 June 2020 – another amount of EUR 200 000. 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 this agreement was supplemented with the additional amount of EUR 250 000 as a special support for Belarusian students, that wish to study at EHU and EUR 50 000 for the establishment of the Center of Justice for Belarusian Human Rights and Constitutionalism. Thus at the end of the reporting period the University had a balance of EUR 200 000. It was fully used during the reporting period for University's usual expenses. During the reporting period University received an additional amount of EUR 250 000, of which an amount of EUR 82 918 was used. The balance of this financing agreement as at 30 September, 2021 was EUR 167 082. These funds were used for:

✓ Support for Belarusian students' tuition fees payment at EHU: EUR 52 656;

✓ Support for Belarusian researchers: EUR 24 687;

✓ Expenses for the establishment of Teises ir demokratijos centras: EUR 5 666.

At the end of 2020, the EHU Emergency Fund was established to support Belarusian students and researchers affected by the authoritarian regime in Belarus. The Republic of Lithuania, the Kingdoms of Norway and Denmark, the Republics of Finland and Estonia, and Swedish Institute (Sweden) responded quickly to the difficult situation of students and researchers in Belarus and became major donors to the fund.

At the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2021 the EHU prepared applications for financial support in accordance with the procedures established by the donors. Financing agreements were signed during the same period. The financing decision was approved and support for the Emergency Fund was provided by the Swedish Institute (EUR 98 325), the Kingdom of Norway (EUR 47 000) and the Kingdom of Denmark (EUR 40 000), and the Republic of Estonia (EUR 50 000). Detailed information on the movement of these funding amounts is provided in Table 11.

After signing the agreement on EHU participation in OSUN (Open Society University Network) between EHU and OSUN on August 26, 2020, this activity of EHU was raised to a higher level, creating preconditions for the University to develop activities aimed at forming a democratic and socially responsible society and solving socially significant problems. In order for institutional participation in these activities to be smooth and productive, in December 2020 the position of institutional OSUN coordinator was established. During AY 2020-2021, the University teachers and students started to implement or implemented more than 20 OSUN-funded activities. These activities include student miniprojects, a student exchange program between OSUN institutions, specific study courses focused on building a democratic society, and short-term and long-term teacher projects. Detailed information on the movement of these funding amounts is provided in Table 11.

According to the EHU budget for AY 2021-2022, approved by the General Assembly of Part-Owners on 5 October, 2021, the need of external funding for the next fiscal year is 3.9 million EUR.

Forecasted sources of EHU external funding for AY 2021-2022 according the funding agreements signed and in force at the time of preparation of the reports:

#### Table 8

Source of funds	Amount, EUR
1. The balance of Swedish government delegated funds as at 30-09-2021	858 967
2. The funds of Lithuanian government (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) for the period 2021-2022	200 000
3. Swedish government delegated funds for period 2021-2022	~502 069
Total:	~1 561 036

The judgement of the top-level management of the University is that there are no doubts about the Institution's solvency and ability to continue its activities. The EHU Multi-Donor Trust Fund (EHU Trust Fund) is currently being re-established for the efficient and coordinated management of donor contributions. The EHU Trust Fund will be administered by the Lithuanian Central Project Management Agency (CPMA). The EU is preparing to sign a contribution agreement with the CPMA, which will allow the EHU Trust Fund to become operational on 1st December, 2021. Starting on February 1, 2022 EHU Trust Fund will start financing the University. The EU has signed a contribution agreement with the Lithuanian Central Project Management Agency (CPMA), which according to Decision ENI / 2020/042-952 – ES4Belarus: Solidarity with the People of Belarus – will provide EUR 4 000 000 to support the European Humanities University (EHU). In terms of contributions from international donors to the EHU-TF (Trust Fund), in addition to the EU contribution of around EUR 3 400 000 for a two-year period, the Kingdom of the Netherlands has committed EUR 100 000 this year and intends to repeat this amount annually for the next 4 years. The Lithuanian and Swedish governments have stated their readiness to consider continuing to provide annual funding to EHU, i.e. approximately EUR 200 000–300 000 per year and EUR 800 000–1 000 000 will be allocated on a temporary basis, in addition through the EHU-TF. In order to ensure the full continuity of the EHU's activities, as set out in the 2021-2026 action plan new donors must provide at least EUR 1 000 000–1 500 000 per year. A recent donor conference this year and several visits by donor representatives to the EHU have shown an interest in supporting the EHU among a wider group of international donors. This will require very close follow-up and cooperation at all levels, i.e. EHU, the EHU Governing Board, stakeholders and the CPMA to translate these intentions of other donors into specific EHU funding.

The CPMA will also be responsible for managing the donor oversight structure, implementing EHU funding, monitoring and financial control, and reporting to donors, and supporting the implementation of EHU Action plan 2021-2026. To this end, the EU will provide funding for *ad hoc* technical assistance to the EHU under the same contract with the CPMA. The CPMA will finance the EHU and ensure the stability of financial flows in the short term. Funding will be based on EHU's annual work plans and the funding amounts approved for plan implementation. The main focus will be on Lithuanian requirements for higher education institution, quality assurance and EHU accreditation, university management; research and innovation, internationalization, partnership with external stakeholders, accounting and financial management, human resources management, legal advice and networking.

#### Budget implementation results for AY 2020-2021

Until September 30, 2021 actual operating income was 99.3 percent and expenditures were 99.3 percent of the budget planned for AY 2020-2021. Compared to the previous academic year, the budget implementation increased by 25.4 percent mainly due to decreased donor funding in revenues as the

University's operating expenses were actually significantly reduced due to the limited normal business activities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Table 9

			Europ	ean Humanitie	s University						
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	October 2020 – September 2021										
	Income										
			AY 2020-202	1		AY 2019-2020					
No	Income	Approved in EUR	Used in EUR	Implement ation %	Approved in EUR	Used in EUR	Implemen tation %	2020/2021 vs. 2019/2020	Notes		
1	EU delegated funds	1 732 449	1 842 844	106.4%	1 116 000	934 583	83.7%	197.2%	1		
2	Delegated funds from other donors (funds, delegated by the Governments of Lithuania and Sweden)	889 254	577 026	64.9%	1 673 070	1 052 004	62.9%	45.9%	2		
3	Tuition related income	1 111 667	1 060 689	95.4%	987 754	986 976	99.9%	107.5%	3		
 	included:										
3.1	Tuition related income	1 111 667	1 060 439	95.4%	987 754	986 825	99.9%	107.5%			
3.2	Other income		250			151		165.6%			
4	Income from other small-scale projects implemented by the University	170 794	396 439	232.1%	170 794	118 958	69.6%	333.3%	4		
TOTAL	L INCOME IN CASH:	3 904 164	3 876 999	99.3%	3 947 618	3 092 521	78.3%	125.4%			
5	Value of premises provided for use	1 870 000	1 870 000	100.0%	1 87 0000	1 870 000	100.0%	100.0%	5		
TOTAL	L INCOME:	5 774 164	5 746 999	99.5%	5 817 618	4 962 521	85.3%	115.8%			
1 ,			AY 2020-202	1		AY 2019-2020	)				
No	Expenditures	Approved in EUR	AY 2020-202 Used in EUR	1 Implement ation %	Approved in EUR	AY 2019-2020 Used in EUR	) Implemen tation %	2020/2021 vs. 2019/2020	Notes		
No	Expenditures	Approved	Used in	Implement	Approved in EUR	Used in	Implemen	vs.	Notes		
<b>No</b> 6	Expenditures Staff costs	Approved	Used in	Implement ation %	Approved in EUR	Used in	Implemen	vs.	Notes 6		
	Staff costs Operations	Approved in EUR	Used in EUR	Implement ation % Expenditur	Approved in EUR res	Used in EUR	Implemen tation %	vs. 2019/2020			
6	Staff costs	Approved in EUR	Used in EUR 2 706 048	Implement ation % Expenditur 103.8%	Approved in EUR es 2 657 051	Used in EUR 2 276 182	Implemen tation % 85.7%	vs. 2019/2020 118.9%	6		
67	Staff costs Operations Financial support for	Approved in EUR 2 607 305 587 065	Used in EUR 2 706 048 360 691	Implement ation % Expenditur 103.8% 61.4%	Approved in EUR es 2 657 051 603 019	Used in EUR 2 276 182 391 987	Implemen tation % 85.7% 65.0%	vs. 2019/2020 118.9% 92.0%	6 7		
6 7 8	Staff costs Operations Financial support for students University development	Approved in EUR 2 607 305 587 065 265 000	Used in EUR 2 706 048 360 691 261 410	Implement ation % Expenditur 103.8% 61.4% 98.6%	Approved in EUR 2 657 051 603 019 277 754	Used in EUR 2 276 182 391 987 211 010	Implemen tation % 85.7% 65.0% 76.0%	vs. 2019/2020 118.9% 92.0% 123.9%	6 7 8		
6 7 8 9 10	Staff costs Operations Financial support for students University development expenses Academic infrastructure and networks in Belarus Expenses for other small-scale projects implemented by the University	Approved in EUR 2 607 305 587 065 265 000 189 000	Used in EUR 2 706 048 360 691 261 410 72 272	Implement ation % Expenditur 103.8% 61.4% 98.6% 38.2%	Approved in EUR 2 657 051 603 019 277 754 169 000	Used in EUR 2 276 182 391 987 211 010 51 368	Implemen tation % 85.7% 65.0% 76.0% 30.4%	vs. 2019/2020 118.9% 92.0% 123.9% 140.7%	6 7 8 9		
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6 7 8 9 10	Staff costs Operations Financial support for students University development expenses Academic infrastructure and networks in Belarus Expenses for other small-scale projects implemented by the University EXPENDITURES IN	Approved in EUR           2 607 305           587 065           265 000           189 000           85 000           170 794	Used in EUR 2 706 048 360 691 261 410 72 272 77 595 398 984	Implement ation % Expenditur 103.8% 61.4% 98.6% 38.2% 91.3% 233.6%	Approved in EUR 2 657 051 603 019 277 754 169 000 70 000 170 794	Used in EUR 2 276 182 391 987 211 010 51 368 69 968 92 006	Implemen tation % 85.7% 65.0% 76.0% 30.4% 100.0% 53.9%	vs. 2019/2020 118.9% 92.0% 123.9% 140.7% 110.9% 433.6%	6 7 8 9 10		

**3.** Explanatory Notes. Implementation of the budget within the period from October 1st, 2020 until September 30th, 2021

#### Income

The financial plan forecasted subtotal operating income from the following sources:

67.2 percent EHU external funds (from donors); 28.4 percent tuition fees and tuition-related income; 4.4 percent income from other small-scale projects implemented by the University.

As of September 30, 2021, the actual operating income structure in the implemented budget was as follows:

62.4 percent EHU external funds (from donors); 27.4 percent tuition fees and tuition-related income; 10.2 percent income from other small-scale projects implemented by the University.

The notes that should be pointed out are as follows:

• Note 1 (EU delegated funds). The line includes funding received from the EU. The implementation rate was 106.4 percent. The amount obtained during the reporting period was EUR 1 842 844. The amount drawn down from EU funds during the reporting period was EUR 1 842 844. The balance of these funds at the end of the reporting period was EUR 0.

• Note 2 (Funds delegated by other donors). The line includes funding received from the other donors. Within the reporting period, the funds received from the Government of Sweden made EUR 582 737. Within the reporting period, the funds delegated by the Government of Lithuania made EUR 200 000. The amount drawn down of the funds received from the Government of Sweden during reporting period was EUR 293 671, the balance at the end of the period was EUR 858 967. These funds will be fully used to fund the operational needs of the AY 2020-2021 academic year. The amount of Lithuanian Government delegated funds drawn down over the reporting period was EUR 200 000. The balance of these funds at the end of the reporting period was EUR 0. During AY 2020-2021 the funds received from the Ministry of Education, Science, and Sport of the Republic Lithuania made EUR 100 682. The amount drawn down from theses funds was EUR 83 356. The balance of these funds amounting to EUR 40 948 will be used till December 31, 2021 to fund the budget of the AY 2021-2022.

The main balances of the donor funding amounts drawn down within the AY 2020-2021 as of September 30, 2020

Table 10

	CHANGES IN TARGETED FINANCING AMOUNTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (in EUR)									
No	The source of targeted funding amounts	Balance at the beginning of the reporting period	Obtained over the reporting period	Drawn down over the reporting period	Change in the amounts receivable	Balance at the close of the reporting period				
1.	State budget	223 622	100 682	283 356	(182 674)	40 948				
1.1	Lithuanian Government delegated funds via Sida for funding of the University's activities	200 000	-	200 000	(200 000)	-				
1.2	Funds allocated by the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports of the Republic of Lithuania for funding of the University's research activities	23 622	100 682	83 356	17 326	40 948				
2.	Municipal budgets	-	-	-	-	-				
3.	Other sources	569 901	2 425 581	2 142 965	282 616	852 517				
3.1	Swedish Government delegated funds via Sida (aid for EHU in 2017-2022) for developing of the University's activities	569 901	582 737	293 671	289 066	858 967				
3.2	EU delegated funds via Sida (aid for the EHU in 2019-2021) for developing of the University's activities	-	1 842 844	1 842 844	-	-				
4.	Total:	793 523	2 526 263	2 419 871	106 392	899 915				

• Note 3 (Tuition related and other income): in AY 2020-2021, the amount collected in tuition fees and tuition-related income increased by 7.5 percent from EUR 986 976 to EUR 1 060 689 in comparison with previous year. This growth was caused not by increase in the number of students, but the increase of tuition fees from AY 2019-2020, which essentially offset the loss of University income due to declining numbers of students.

• Note 4 (Income from other ongoing small-scale projects implemented by the University). The line includes grants that were drawn down for implementation of small-scale special-purpose projects in the University.

The main balances of the amounts drawn down for financing small-scale special-purpose projects in the AY 2020–2021:

# Table 11

	CHANGE IN THE AMOUNTS OF TA	ARGETED FUN		NG THE REPC	RTING PERI	OD
No	The source of targeted funding	Balance as at the beginning of the reporting period	Obtained over the reporting period	Drawn down over the reporting period	Change in the amounts receivable	(in EUR) Balance as at the close of the reporting period
1.	State budget	-	197 435	30 353	167 082	167 082
1.1	Lithuanian Government delegated funds via Sida for funding of the University's activities	-	197 435	30 353	167 082	167 082
1.1.1	Support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	200 000	77 252	122 748	122 748
1.1.2.	Support for Belarusian students recognized as EHU income for science research	-	(52 565)	(52 565)	-	-
1.1.3	Establishment of VšĮ "Teisės ir demokratijos centras"	-	50 000	5 666	44 334	44 334
2.	Municipal budgets	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Other sources	280 943	649 573	366 086	283 487	564 430
3.1	Education exchanges support foundation, Erasmus mobility programme, financing of master's degree students' tuition fees and scholarships, in that number under the agreements:	201 031	113 881	146 388	(32 507)	168 524
3.1.1	AM-2021-LT-1818 AM-2021-LT- 1818	-	4 110	-	4 110	4 110
3.1.2	2021-1-LT01-KA131-HED- 000011157	-	47 088	-	47 088	47 088
3.1.3	2019-1-LT01-KA107-060248	89 956	-	54 176	(54 176)	35 780
3.1.4	2019-1-LT01-KA103-060210/01	1 196	17 487	5 684	11 803	12 999
3.1.5	2017-09.3.1-ESFA-V-709-01-0003- SU-27/07	-	23 276	14 430	8 846	8 846
3.1.6	2020-1-LT01-KA103-077470	57 588	-	42 289	(42 289)	15 299
3.1.7	2020-1-LT01-KA107-077738	47 993	-	15 471	(15 471)	32 522
3.1.8	MS-2020-LT-1774-1012-01	-	4 540	4 540	-	-
3.1.9	MS -2019LT-1722-1003-01	4 298	5 500	9 798	(4 298)	-
3.1.10 <b>3.2</b>	MS-2021-LT-1836 European Commission, European global constitutionalism teaching within and outside the EU.	- 10 453	11 880 <b>15 000</b>	- 25 453	11 880 (10 453)	-
3.3	UNIWERSYTET LODZKI, Erasmus funds	8 572	-	8 572	(8 572)	-
3.4	BARD college, micro grants for students' projects	2 228	-	146	(146)	2 082
3.5	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, project No P2020-VB-BA-07	10 000	2 911	12 911	(10 000)	-
3.6	Foundation Open Society Institute (FOSI), development of successful social project network	-	42 146	27 974	14 172	14 172

1	with EHU students					
2.7	Coverage of the cost of converting		(205)	(205)		
3.7	USD into EUR	-	(295)	(295)	-	-
3.8	BARD college, Writing & Thinking project	-	1 690	1 690	-	-
	International Media Support					
	(IMS), Denmark, support for			4.050		20 750
3.9	Belarusian students and	-	32 000	1 250	30 750	30 750
	researchers					
	Support for Belarusian students					
3.9.1	recognized as EHU income for	-	(1 250)	(1 250)	-	-
	science research					
	Swedish Institute (SI) support for					
3.10	Belarusian students and	-	88 492	27 121	61 371	61 371
	researchers		_			
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the					
3.11	Republic of Estonia, support for Belarusian students and	-	50 000	30 950	19 050	19 050
	researchers					
	Support for Belarusian students					
3.11.1	recognized as EHU income for	-	(30 950)	(30 950)	-	-
	science research					
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of					
3.12	Norway, support for Belarusian	-	47 000	-	47 000	47 000
	students and researchers					
	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the					
3.13	Republic of Lithuania, CPVA,	-	23 992	2 158	21 834	21 834
	project No P2021-VB-BA-01		_			
3.14	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, CPVA,		17 200	3 729	13 471	13 471
5.14	project No P2021-VB-BA-02	-	17 200	5725	13 4/1	15 471
	US Department of State, US					
	Embassy in Vilnius. "University					
3.15	without borders",	-	102 240	55 130	47 110	47 110
	SLH50020GR0028					
	US Department of State, US					
3.16	Embassy in Vilnius. "Jewish	-	17 040	596	16 444	16 444
0.20	Heritage in Belarus",					
	SLH50020GR0025					
3.17	IFES (International Foundation for Electorial Systems), via USAID	_	5 934	5 934	_	_
5.17	Belarus Rapid Response Program	_	5 554	5 554	-	_
	Coverage of the cost of converting					
3.17.1	USD into EUR	-	(157)	(157)	-	-
	Central European University. TSI					
3.18	Fellowships of the Open Society	_	28 020	_	28 020	28 020
3.10	University Network. Belarusian	-	20 020	-	20 020	20 020
	researchers support program					
3.19	American Councils Donation for International Education	-	16 712	-	16 712	16 712
3.20	Bard College, OSUN activities	_	57 594	46 723	10 871	10 871
	Bard College OSUN activities					
3.20.1	coordination	-	7 762	7 762	-	-
2 20 2	Bard College (OSUN) "Return		611	611		
3.20.2	Names"	-	611	611	-	-
3.20.3	Bard College (OSUN) "Network for	-	14 252	13 018	1 234	1 234
0.20.0	Experimental Humanities		1,232	10 010	1 204	1 204

	Collaboration"					
3.20.4	Bard College (OSUN) scholarship for M. Martinovich	-	1 223	1 223	-	-
3.20.5	Bard College (OSUN) for speakers of the inauguration OSUN ELI	-	1 599	1 599	-	-
3.20.6	Bard College (OSUN) "Cluster for Urbanistic Action Research"	-	3 118	-	3 118	3 118
3.20.7	Bard College (OSUN) for faculty participation in the OSUN wide courses	-	1 848	1 848	-	-
3.20.8	Bard College (OSUN) for EHU participation in the global debate network	-	4 168	4 168	-	-
3.20.9	Bard College (OSUN) faculty fellowships in the courses of OSUN network, Spring 2021	-	5 836	5 836	-	-
3.20.10	Bard College (OSUN Center for Human Rights) support for students' internships	-	10 792	5 054	5 738	5 738
3.20.11	Bard College (OSUN) Engaged Senior Project Award /ESPA	-	781	-	781	781
3.20.12	Bard College (OSUN) CLASP networks course seminar series	-	206	206	-	-
3.20.13	Bard College (OSUN) wide courses. 2021 m. summer / civic engagement	-	2 102	2 102	-	-
3.20.14	Bard College (OSUN) Student mobility scholarship for studies in Bard College (Darya Hulevich - 2000\$, Kristina Hyrla-2000\$)	-	3 296	3 296	-	-
3.21	Development of teaching methodologies for EPAM systems study subjects in programming and IT	-	15 000	15 000	-	-
3.22	The residual value of assets acquired form Support funds / The compensation of fixed assets depreciation of current year / Deduction of acquisition costs of FA	48 659	5 373	(12 987)	18 360	67 019
4	Total:	280 943	847 008	396 439	450 569	731 512

In AY 2020-2021, the drawn down amount of received grants for financing small-scale projects was EUR 396 439. The major share of the operating income, EUR 146 388, was for students and staff mobility under "Erasmus" programmes.

• Note 5 (Value of premises provided on a right of use basis). The new premises at Savičiaus str. 17, Vilnius that the University currently uses for studies and administrative purposes have been assigned to the University at the Government decision for a four-years period on a right of use basis. In the University's off-balance sheet accounting it is considered that according to the average market value set by the Centre of Registers, the support obtained/used in the form of premises is worth EUR 1 870 000. Agreement on lending the premises on a right of use basis was concluded on December 31, 2019.

#### Costs

The financial plan included the following distribution of costs: 66.8 percent staff costs; 15 percent operating costs; 4.8 percent University development costs; 6.8 percent financial support for students; 2.2 percent for Belarusian academic infrastructure and networks; 4.4 percent for small-scale projects implemented by the University.

As of September 30, 2021, the structure of the actually incurred budget costs is as follows: 69.8 percent staff costs; 9.3 percent operating costs; 1.9 percent University development costs; 6.7 percent financial support for students; 2 percent for Belarusian academic infrastructure and networks; 10.3 percent for other projects.

During the reporting period, EHU's incurred operating costs made 99.5 percent of projected. This essentially equals the level of costs approved for the budget for AY 2020-2021.

The notes that should be pointed out are as follows:

• Note 6 (Staff costs). 3,8 percent more than forecast more than expected, as the EHU's new activities in the Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights, which were not planned in the budget, were launched during the reporting period. In AY 2020-2021 the project "Strengthening the Potential of the EHU Center for Constitutionalism and Human Rights through New Activities" was implemented. The following results were achieved during the project: 1) the website for the center was created, <u>https://cchr.online</u>; 2) EHU Legal Clinic was established; 3) active involvement in the activities of the international network of legal experts by participating in and organizing international conferences, webinars and legal consultations.

• Note 7 (Operating costs). 38.6 percent less than forecast. The most significant savings were achieved also because of pandemic COVID-19 situation – decrease in maintenance costs of the premises used by the University and other operating costs.

• Note 8 (Financial support for students). These costs essentially equal the level of costs approved for the budget for AY 2020-2021.

• Note 9 (University development costs). These costs made only 38.2 percent of budgeted for AY 2020-2021. Fewer funds were used than expected also due to the limitations of the COVID-19 pandemic.

• Note 10 (Belarusian academic infrastructure and networks). 91.3 percent of budgeted funds were used in the AY 2020-2021, the University actually incurred EUR 77 595 of these costs, while the budget for the AY 2020-2021 was EUR 85 000.

• Note 11 (Income from the University's other ongoing small-scale projects). This line includes costs related to the funding of other projects implemented by the University. These costs in the reporting period are significantly higher than budgeted, as other project activities implemented by the University actually increased during the reporting period and were larger than expected.

Note 12 (Value of premises provided on a right of use basis). The new premises at Savičiaus str.
 17, Vilnius that the University currently uses for tuition and administrative purposes have been assigned

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to the University at the Government decision for a four years period on a right of use basis. In the University's off-balance sheet accounting it is considered that according to the average market value set by the Centre of Registers, the support obtained/used in the form of premises is worth EUR 1 870 000. Agreement on lending the premises on a right of use basis was concluded on December 31, 2019.

## **Fixed** assets

As at the close of the University's reporting year, the residual value of its intangible assets was EUR 731 (as at the close of AY 2019-2020, the residual value of intangible assets was EUR 1 240). Over AY 2020-2021, no intangible assets were acquired, amortization was EUR 509 (AY 2019-2020 – EUR 286). Residual value of fixed tangible assets was EUR 66 288 (in AY 2019-2020 – EUR 47 419). There were no disposals of fixed tangible assets within the reporting period. Over AY 2020-2021 the University acquired fixed tangible assets worth EUR 46 947 at acquisition cost (in AY 2019-2020 – EUR 18 723), accumulated depreciation amounts to EUR 28 078 (in AY 2019-2020 – EUR 27 789).

Full stocktaking of all asset classes was carried out at the University as of the close of August. No tangible assets were written off during the stocktaking.

During the reporting period, the University received a total of EUR 5 373.61 in assets from the State Studies Foundation for free use:

- Electrically adjustable height table ergoMIR-1000 / 680E, 2 pcs. EUR 1 663.75 each;
- Adjustable keyboard tray, 3 pcs EUR 613.47 each;
- Adjustable chair gray 1 pc. EUR 205.70.

## University management costs

During the reporting year, the wages and social security costs calculated for the University top-level management (President, Rector, Chancellor) amounted to EUR 247 219 (AY 2019-2020 – EUR 330 594).

# Data on the head of the Public Institution, the University costs for the wages of its head as well as other benefits

Over the reporting period, the amount calculated in wage to the Rector of the University was EUR 148 367 (in AY 2019-2020 it was EUR 117 397).

Over the reporting period, the amount calculated in wage to the President of the University was EUR 23 926 (in AY 2019-2020 it was EUR 89 319). Position held until January 5, 2021.

# Transactions with the University part owners, with persons related to the part owners and members of the collegial management bodies

Over the reporting period, there were no transactions executed with the University part owners, with persons related to such part owners or with members of the collegial management bodies, except for payments to University leaders who are also members of the Governing Board of the University.

Rector

prof. Sergei Ignatov

# <u>PUBLIC ENTITY EUROPEAN HUMANITIES UNIVERSITY</u>, 300548028 (legal form, name, code of the entity) <u>Savičiaus Street 17, Vilnius (data is stored in the Register of Legal Entities)</u> (address, register where data is collected and stored))

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL STATUS

# ACCORDING TO DATA AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

<u>29 December, 2021</u> No.

			(EUR)		
	ITEMS	Note	Reporting period	Previous reporting period	
A.	FIXED ASSETS		67 078	48 688	
I.	INTANGIBLE ASSETS	1	731	1 240	
II.	TANGIBLE ASSETS	2	66 288	47 419	
III.	FINANCIAL ASSETS	3	59	29	
IV.	OTHER FIXED ASSETS			-	
B.	CURRENT ASSETS		2 062 858	1 479 370	
I.	INVENTORIES	4	29 258	15 803	
II.	AMOUNTS RECEIVABLES WITHIN ONE YEAR	5	288 955	10 491	
III.	OTHER CURRENT ASSETS			-	
IV.	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	6	1 744 645	1 453 076	
	TOTAL ASSETS		2 129 936	1 528 058	
C.	EQUITY		87	87	
I.	PART-OWNERS CAPITAL	7	87	87	
II.	RESERVES			-	
III.	INVIOLABLE CAPITAL			-	
IV.	OPERATING RESULT			-	
D.	FINANCING	8	1 631 427	1 074 466	
Е.	AMOUNTS PAYABLE AND	9	498 422	453 505	
	LIABILITIES				
I.	LONG-TERM LIABILITIES			-	
II.	SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES		498 422	453 505	
	TOTAL EQUITY, FINANCING AND LIABILITIES		2 129 936	1 528 058	

Rector

Sergei Ignatov

(job title of the member of the management) body specified in the articles of association of the entity) (signature)

(name and surname)

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# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

## ACCORDING TO DATA AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

#### 29 December, 2021 No.

(EUR)

No	ITEMS	Note	Reporting period	Previous reporting period
I.	INCOME		3 876 999	3 092 521
1.	SALES INCOME	10	1 060 439	986 825
2.	INCOME FROM FUNDING	11	2 816 310	2 105 545
3.	OTHER INCOME	14	250	151
II.	COSTS		3 876 999	3 092 521
1.	COST PRICE OF GOODS SOLD, SERVICES SUPPLIED AND OTER SALES COSTS	12	1 691 035	1 254 935
2.	OPERATING COSTS	12	2 174 015	1 828 380
3.	OTHER COSTS	14	11 949	9 206
III.	PRE-TAX OPERATING RESULT		0	0
IV.	PROFIT TAX		-	-
<b>V.</b>	NET OPERATING RESULT		0	0

Rector

(job title of the member of the management body specified in the article of associations of the entity) (signature)

Sergei Ignatov

(name and surname)

## EUROPEAN HUMANITIES UNIVERSITY

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF 2020/2021

30 September, 2021

Dated 29-12-2021

#### GENERAL

The European Humanities University (hereinafter - the University) was registered with the Register of Legal Entities of the Republic of Lithuania on 10 March 2006 as a public entity. Registered office of the University is Savičiaus g. 17, Vilnius, legal entity code 300548028, VAT non-taxable. On 10 March 2006, the University was granted the status of beneficiary. Data is collected in the Register of Legal Entities

The European Humanities University is a non-state university, currently located in Vilnius. The University was established in 1992 in Minsk, Belarus, and in 2004 it was moved to Vilnius as a result of its forced closure in Minsk for political reasons (the University preserved some of its indirect structures and services in Belarus, including advisory and information services as well as its Centre of Languages and Pre-University Education).

The present university founders (members of the general meeting of Part-Owners) include organisations operating in Central and Eastern European countries and supporting re-establishment of EHU in Lithuania: the Eurasia Foundation, the Open Society Foundation, the Eastern European Studies Centre. Financial year of the University starts on 1 October and ends on 30 September.

Main function of the University is education and science.

As at the close of the reporting period, the University had 80 employees, whereas at the close of the previous financial year the number of employees was 78.

The University management is not aware of any circumstances that could affect the business continuity of the institution.

The accounting functions of the University are performed by its internal structural unit – Finance and Human Resources Unit. The head of this unit – Rasa Buivydienė – is also responsible for the performance of the functions of the chief accountant. Rasa Buivydienė started working in this position at the University on 2 May, 2016.

On May 2019 The Government of the Republic of Lithuania granted EHU the status of University in exile. This underlines the special role and place of the University in the host country's higher education system. Despite the fact that the status has enabled the University to act more flexible, the University does not intend to abuse it, but will seek perfection in studies, science and art, following the academic profile and heritage of EHU as a liberal university.

Sources of the University's funds include financial support obtained through Sida (The Swedish International Development Agency) from the European Union, funds of the Swedish and Lithuanian governments and other

foreign states and international organisations, earnings from services, targeted allocations from the Lithuanian state budget.

The University has controlling interest (100 %) in two public institutions – VšĮ "Mokslo ir studijų internacionalizavimo institutas" (public institution 'Education and Science Internationalisation Institute'), which is currently in the non-active process of self-sustaining activity but is engaged in the purchase of infrastructure development services in Belarus for the University; and VšĮ "Teisės ir demokratijos centras" (public institution 'Centre for Law and Democracy'), that was established in 12 July, 2021 and until the end of AY 2020-2021 was in the non-active process of activity. The aim of the later is to provide legal assistance to natural persons victims of human rights violations in Belarus and other former Soviet republics, to provide victims, their representatives, as well as organizations and institutions with information on human rights protection measures based on the practice of national and international judicial and quasi-judicial institutions.

In AY 2020-2021 the academic community of the University continued to be active in initiating and implementing new project initiatives both at the national and regional (Lithuania - Belarus) and international levels. During this period, a number of regional and international projects were implemented, the results of which significantly contributed to the long-term goals of the University, had a significant positive social impact on the target groups or directly and effectively addressed the persecution and repressions of individuals (Belarusian university students, lecturers, researchers), that significantly increased after the presidential elections in that country in August 2020.

The table below shows the most significant university projects that were submitted for external funding during the reporting period:

	Project title and number: University Without Borders, SLH50020GR0028									
Place of implementat ion	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementat ion period					
Vilnius, Lithuania	127 800	Coordinator	U.S. Department of State, federal assistance award	102 240	15-10-2020 – 15-10-2021					
Project aims	Project aims and results         Reduce the impact of disinformation by promoting and enhancing public a academic capacity through increased access to higher education services EHU.									
	Projec	t title and number	: Jewish Heritage, SLH50	)020GR0025						

Table 1<sup>1</sup>

Place of	Total value	EHU part in	Donor	Funding	Implementat		
implementat		the project		received during	ion period		
ion	project, EUR			reporting period, EUR			
Vilnius,	21 300	Coordinator	U.S. Department of	17 040	15-10-2020 -		
Lithuania			State, federal		15-10-2021		
			assistance award				
Project ain	ns and results		ithuanian experience re tourism heritage sites to E		servation and		
Project title	and number: C		incysk Skaryna (stage Pole		2021-VB-BA-		
-			01				
Place of	Total value	EHU part in	Donor	Funding	Implementat		
implementat		the project		received during	ion period		
ion	project, EUR			reporting period, EUR			
Vilnius,	33 070	Coordinator	Development	23 992	17-03-2021 -		
Lithuania			Cooperation and		10-11-2021		
			<b>Democracy Promotion</b>				
			Programme of the				
			Ministry of Foreign				
		~	Affairs of Lithuania				
Project aim	s and results	Contribute to the preservation and promotion of the cultural heritage associated with the personality of Francysk Skaryna through the Council of Europe's					
		Cultural Routes m		a through the Counc	of Europe's		
Project title	and number I		he development of Europe	an cultural haritaga i	n Bolomus, No		
I Toject und			021-VB-BA-02	an cultural heritage i	li Delalus, NO		
Place of	Total value	EHU part in	Donor	Funding	Implementat		
implement	of the	the project		received during	ion period		
ation	project, EUR			reporting period, EUR			
Vilnius,	36 860	Coordinator	Development	17 200	17-03-2021 -		
Lithuania			Cooperation and		01-11-2022		
			Democracy Promotion				
			Programme of the				
			Ministry of Foreign				
			Affairs of Lithuania				
Project aim	s and results		pean Heritage Label (EHI				
			could be added to the li		tage sites, and		
			egies for interpreting such				
		The project aims to create preconditions for further integration of Belarus into					
		the European cultural space and to actualize the European dimension of cultural					
		-	ural space and to actualize	e the European dimen	sion of cultural		
	•	heritage.	ural space and to actualize	-			

Place of implement ation	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementat ion period
Vilnius, Lithuania	14 656	Coordinator	USAID	5 777	22-03-2021 - 31-10-2021
-	ns and results	interactive teachi learning practices. and development civic discourse.	nd other events for the excl ng methodology and the Identification of disinform and use of countermeasure	dissemination of ation and propagan s. Debate as the es	good distance da in the media sence of public
Project titl	e and number:		tic values and the challenge ning, SLH50021GR3016	s of disinformation	: an aspect of
Place of implement ation	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementat ion period
Vilnius, Lithuania	150 325	Coordinator	U.S. Department of State, federal assistance award	0	18-10-2021 – 17-02-2023
-	ns and results	(especially Belar innovative distanc <i>Project status on</i> <i>been made.</i>	political, legal and medi rus) by increasing acces re learning methods. <i>October 31, 2021: decision</i> port for student scholarship	s to higher educ	cation through the project has
Place of	Total value	EHU part in	Donor	Funding	Implementat
implement ation	of the project, EUR	the project	101101	received during reporting period, EUR	ion period
Vilnius, Lithuania	9 150	Beneficiary	Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania	4 540	AY 2020– 2021
Project aims and results Funds allocated by the Education Exchange Support Foundation of					
		<u> </u>	ania to finance student scho	*	
Project t	itle and number	<u> </u>	the network of successful so	*	
Project t Place of implement ation	itle and number Total value of the project, EUR	<u> </u>		*	
Place of implement ation Vilnius, Lithuania	Total value of the	EHU part in the project Partner	the network of successful so students	Funding Funding received during reporting period, EUR 42 146	March 2021 – December 2021

EHU Talks, Belarusian ReThink Belarus (Artists in Exile) led to the					
development of knowledge about the EHU civic agenda in all communities.				mmunities.	
Project title and number: Micro-grants for student projects					
Place of implement ation	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementat ion period
Vilnius, Lithuania	2 228	Coordinator	BARD college (USA)	0	2020 - 2021
Project aims and results		In a civic engagement micro-grant competition organized by the BARD and OSUN network, a team of 5 EHU students presented their civic projects (topics - heritage, inequality, orphans and youth organizations). In AY 2020-2021 Bard Network Foundation micro-grants were awarded for 5 projects.			
Project ti	itle and number	: Erasmus+ KA1	03 European mobility program 000011157	n, 2021-1-LT01-KA	A131-HED-
Place of implement ation	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementat ion period
Vilnius, Lithuania	58 860	Partner	Erasmus+ KA103 mobility program	47 088	AY 2021– 2023
Project aims and results		Mobility of students (studies and practical training), teachers (teaching and training) and staff (training) with partner countries' universities under the KA103 Erasmus+.			
Project title and number: Erasmus+ KA103 European mobility program, 2019-1-LT01-KA103-060			<b>5</b> T.		
Project tit	le and number:			, 2019-1-LT01-KA	103-060210
Project tit Place of implement ation	t <mark>le and number:</mark> Total value of the project, EUR			Funding received during reporting	103-060210 Implementa tion period
Place of implement	Total value of the	Erasmus+ KA10 EHU part in	3 European mobility program Donor Erasmus+ KA103 mobility	Funding received during	Implementa
Place of implement ation Vilnius,	Total value of the project, EUR 59 462	Erasmus+ KA10 EHU part in the project Partner Mobility of stu	3 European mobility program Donor Erasmus+ KA103 mobility program idents (studies and practical itaff (training) with partner	Funding received during reporting period, EUR 17 487 training), teachers	Implementa tion period AY 2020– 2022 (teaching and
Place of implement ation Vilnius, Lithuania Project aims Project	Total value of the project, EUR 59 462 and results	Erasmus+ KA10 EHU part in the project Partner Mobility of stuttraining) and s KA103 Erasmus Der: Erasmus+ pr	3 European mobility program Donor Erasmus+ KA103 mobility program idents (studies and practical itaff (training) with partner	Funding received during reporting period, EUR 17 487 training), teachers countries' universi	Implementa tion period AY 2020– 2022 (teaching and ities under the
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Place of implement ation Vilnius, Lithuania Project aims Project aims Place of implement ation Vilnius, Lithuania Project aims	Total value of the project, EUR 59 462 and results t title and numl Total value of the project, EUR 176 507 and results	Erasmus+ KA10 EHU part in the project Partner Mobility of stu training) and s KA103 Erasmus per: Erasmus+ pr EHU part in the project Coordinator Student mobility	Barbon Schwarz       Schwarz         13 European mobility program         Donor         Erasmus+ KA103 mobility program         idents (studies and practical staff (training) with partner s+.         ograms No 2017-09.09.3.1-Es         Donor         Erasmus+ KA107 mobility program         y by study programmes.	Funding received during period, EUR 17 487 training), teachers countries' universit SFA-V-709-01-000 Funding received during reporting period, EUR 23 276	Implementa tion period AY 2020– 2022 (teaching and ities under the 3-SU-27 Implementa tion period AY 2020– 2022
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Lithuania			Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania		2021	
Project aims and results		Funds allocated by the Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania to finance student scholarships.				
Project title and number: Financial support for Student scholarships, No AM-2021-LT-1818				-1818		
Place of implementa tion	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementati on period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	6 850	Beneficiary	Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania	4 110	AY 2020– 2021	
Project aims a		Republic of Lit	Funds allocated by the Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania to finance student scholarships.			
Proje	ct title and num	<b>nber</b> : Financial s	support for Student scholarship	s, No MS -2021-L7	2-1836	
Place of implementat ion	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementa tion period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	57 700	Beneficiary	Education Exchange Support Foundation of the Republic of Lithuania	11 880	AY 2020– 2021	
Project aims and results		Mobility of students (studies and practical training), teachers (teaching and training) and staff (training) with partner countries' universities under the KA103 Erasmus+.				
<b>Project title and number:</b> Support of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania for Research and Experimental Development (Non-Economic Activities) in 2021, contract for the use of funds No S-760 2021-06-22						
Place of implementa tion	Total value of the project, EUR	EHU part in the project	Donor	Funding received during reporting period, EUR	Implementa tion period	
Vilnius, Lithuania	106 000	Beneficiary	Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania	101 000	22-06-2021 – 17-12-2021	
Project aims and results		Support of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania for Research and Experimental Development (Non-Economic Activities) in 2021				

# ACCOUNTING POLICY

The University's accounting policy has been developed in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Lithuania on Accounting, order of the Minister of Finance "Regarding approval of the Rules of accounting and formation and submission of financial statements of non-profit-making legal entities of a limited civil liability and evaluation of the assets and services gratuitously received by the participants of political campaigns" No. 1K-372, dated 22 November, 2004 and order of the Minister of Finance No. 1K-443, dated 18 December, 2018 on the amendment of those rules and Business Accounting Standards (BAS), when the general accounting

principles and said rules do not correctly reflect the Balance Sheet and the Statement of Operations items, and this is disclosed in the Explanatory Notes.

In assessing impairment of tuition related receivables, the 18th Business Accounting Standard is applied. University receivables are assessed individually or generally to determine value and impairment. Receivables that have not been selected for individual assessment in accordance with the principles set out in the Accounting Policy are assessed generally. Receivables are assessed on individual basis when there is an indication that certain generally assessed receivables may be more accurately assessed on an individual basis and such an assessment would have a material effect on the determination of impairment of the entire receivable. The debt consists of the amount of overdue payments for tuition related or other services provided by the University. The time of delay in payment of the receivable (or part of it) shall be calculated in calendar days from the date of fulfilment of respective obligations specified in the contract or legal acts. Based on historical data, impairment losses on generally assessed receivables are calculated according to the following groups:

Group Name	The limitation period, in days	Deferral rate, %
Zero	up to 60	0
First	60-89	5
Second	90-179	50
Third	180-359	75
Fourth	360 and more	100

Intangible, long-term and current tangible assets acquired for the activities of the University's as well as inventories are entered in the accounts including the VAT, as the University's core activities are VAT-exempt according to Article 22 of the VAT Law.

The accounting policy includes principles, methods and rules for the recognition, assessment and accounting of economic transactions and events.

# General accounting principles, methods and rules

The University keeps its accounts and forms financial statements in accordance with the orders of the Minister of Finance No. 1K-372, dated 22 November, 2004 and No. 1K-443, dated 18 December, 2018, the BAS and the Accounting Policy of the University.

In its accounts the University reflects economic transactions and events and draws up its set of financial statements based on the following general accounting principles:

- entity;
- continuity of activities;
- periodicity;
- stability;
- monetary measure;
- accumulation;
- comparison;
- precaution;
- neutrality;

• content significance.

According to the entity principle, the University is a separate accounting unit and the books register and accounting reflects only the University's owned assets, funding amounts and liabilities, income and costs.

Any and all economic transactions are registered in monetary units.

Description of the applied accounting policy, including separate elements of financial statements or items, economic transactions, economic events is provided below.

## **Chart of accounts**

The University's chart of accounts has been formed according to a model chart of accounts for non-for-profit limited civil liability legal entities. The chart of accounts includes accounts of the mandatory general chart of accounts as well as mandatory specifying features.

Accounting data are detailed according to the following attributes:

- source of funding;
- other information (subdivision, type of funds).

In the University's accounting, all economic transactions and economic events are registered based on accrual principle. Economic transactions and economic events are registered in financial accounting system "Finvalda", wages are analytically accounted in program "PAY PREMIUM".

## **Intangible assets**

The intangible assets accounting policy is set out in the rules for the formation and presentation of accounting and financial reporting by non-for-profit limited civil liability legal entities.

The intangible assets are recognised, if they answer the definition of intangible assets as well as the criteria set for intangible assets.

Upon acquiring of any fixed intangible asset, it is carried at its acquisition cost. Its minimum value is EUR 300 (three hundred euro). Acquisition cost of an intangible asset consists of the amount paid at the time of acquisition of the asset or the amount payable for such asset (or the value of any other asset that has been exhausted), including non-refundable taxes. Other direct costs of preparation of an asset for planned use (e.g., legal fees) are also included in the asset acquisition cost.

The balance sheet carries the residual value of intangible assets. i.e., the acquisition cost less any subsequent accumulated amortisation and any subsequent accumulated impairment losses plus the reversal of the impairment losses.

Intangible assets renewal or improvement costs sustained after their acquisition or development are recognised by the University as costs of the reporting period within which they were sustained, other than in cases, where such expenses may be reliably measured, attributed to any particular assets, and the University may reliably determine that in future they will serve for gaining higher economic benefit from such assets. If such terms and conditions are met, the amount of costs is increased by the amount of the intangible assets acquisition cost. Amortisation of intangible assets is calculated based on directly proportional straight-line method according to amortization standard requirement approved upon the Order of the Rector No. 01-187, dated 30 September, 2015.

No.	Intangible Fixed assets group	Standard requirement, in
110.	intentigiote i their asserts group	years
1.	Software	3
2.	Acquired rights	3
3.	Other intangible assets	4

If any intangible asset recorded in the accounts of the University does not answer the features for the classification of the asset as to intangible assets, it is written off. In case of intangible assets assignment, the result of a relevant dealing is reflected in Statement of Operations. Profit or loss resulting from the assignment of an asset is calculated as income gained, less the residual value of the assigned asset and the entire costs related to such assignment. In case of a loss or write-off of incompletely amortised intangible assets, the loss is recognised and is taken as operating costs in Statement of Operations.

# Fixed tangible assets

Tangible assets accounting policy is set out in the rules for the formation and presentation of accounting and financial reporting by non-for-profit limited civil liability legal entities.

Fixed tangible assets are treated and carried in accounts, if they answer the fixed tangible assets eligibility criteria.

Any acquired fixed tangible asset is carried at its acquisition cost. Financial reporting shows it at its acquisition cost, less its cumulative depreciation and impairment. The asset is put into operation at the director's decision and upon his approval of the asset acquisition document or by drawing up a statement on putting the asset into operation. At the Rector's order No. 01-187, dated 30 September 2015, the University's minimum value of fixed tangible assets is set at (acquisition (production) cost) 300 euro.

If any asset is obtained in the form of an in-kind contribution, its acquisition cost consists of the asset value determined by property valuators as well as any and all expenses related to its registration and preparation for use. The value must be approved upon a relevant order of the Rector of the University. The Acquisition cost of fixed tangible assets obtained free of charge (donated) consists of the value of the asset set in a donation agreement or in any other similar document, which value may not exceed its fair value, as well as expenses related to receiving such asset and its preparation for use. Where the value of the asset is not indicated, it is determined by the University, taking into account the value of the asset determined by property valuators or based on market research.

Fixed tangible assets with impairment features are identified during the University's annual inventory inspections.

The University calculates depreciation by applying directly proportional (straight-line) method according to amortization standard requirements approved upon Order of the Rector No. 01-187, dated 30 September 2015.

No.

Tangible Fixed assets group

Standard requirement, in

		years
1.	Passenger cars – no more than 5 years old	6
2.	Furniture and inventory	5
3.	Hardware and means of communication (computers,	3
	computer networks and equipment)	
4.	Equipment and other assets not listed above	4

From the start of using fixed tangible assets depreciation is calculated since the first day of the next month. Calculation of the depreciation of fixed tangible assets is ceased on the first day of the next month after its writeoff, assignment or transfer in any other manner, when the asset ceases to be used or when the entire value of the used fixed assets (less its residual value) is carried over to the services costs.

In case of the assets sales or write-off, its acquisition cost, cumulative depreciation and its impairment, if any, are written off. Sales profit or loss is included in a relevant item of the Statement of operations.

If due to reconstruction or repairs to any fixed tangible asset its useful life is extended and its useful properties are improved, the acquisition cost of such fixed tangible assets is increased in the amount of value the assets and its useful life period is adjusted. If reconstruction or repairs to any fixed tangible asset does not improve its useful properties and does not extend its useful life, the value of such works is recognised as costs of a relevant reporting period.

# Inventories

Inventories records policy is set out in the rules for the formation and presentation of accounting and financial reporting by non-for-profit limited civil liability legal entities.

In its accounts and financial reporting the University reflects inventories at their acquisition cost, applying the FIFO method.

The disposal of inventories is registered on continuous basis, applying the continuously accounted inventories method, and each deal related to the disposal of inventories is reflected in the accounts. The disposal of inventories is documented in a relevant inventories write-off statement.

## **Financial assets**

The accounting reflects financial assets based on relevant supporting documentation (e.g. purchase agreements).

A financial asset is entered in the accounts at its acquisition cost, i.e. in the amount of investment or in the amount of in-kind contribution, and every time in preparing financial statement it is assessed at its fair value. In case it is impossible to determine the fair value, the balance sheet will carry the acquisition cost less the impairment value.

## **Amounts receivable**

Receivables are carried at acquisition cost, and in the financial statements they are show at their fair value.

# Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes cash on deposit in the Banks. Cash on deposit account is meant for accounting for monetary assets in bank accounts and in payment card accounts in the Euro or in any other currency.

## Grants and subsidies

Methods for accounting the amounts of grants and subsidies as well as relevant rules were set out by order of the Minister of Finance No. 1K-443, dated 18 December, 2018.

Grants and subsidies are money or other assets received from the State budget, the European Union, from foreign states and international organisations as well as from other sources for the purpose of achieving the objectives and programmes set out in the Statute of the University. Grants and subsidies include money received and other assets for carrying out orders, other funds for the compensation of the University's expenses and assets acquired in the form of aid.

Grants and subsidies obtained are grouped by funding sources.

Obtained grants and subsidies or any portion thereof are recognised as income of the periods within which costs related to financing amounts were sustained.

Aid provided to other entities is recognised as cost.

## Liabilities

A liability must be recognised in accounting and reflected in the balance sheet, when, and only when, the University is subject to obligations which will have to be fulfilled. Planned dealings, issued guaranties for the University are not recognised as liabilities. The University's liabilities are deemed to be financial obligations, if any payment, transfer of any other financial assets to any other entity or exchange of financial assets or financial obligations is required under a relevant agreement.

Accrued expenses are shown under other liabilities items, and deferred income is shown under prepayments.

The University recognises a liability assessing it at acquisition cost. Any differences in foreign currency items as a result of a change in the exchange rates and currency transactions or revaluation of the foreign currency items previously registered at the exchange rate valid as at the balance sheet date are recognised as cost or income over the reporting period in which they occurred.

## Income

The University classifies income as sales income, income from funding and other income.

The University recognises income based on accrual principle, i.e. it is recognised in accounts only when income is earned, without regard of payment.

It is only an increase in the University's economic benefit that is deemed to be income. Amounts collected in the name of any third persons are not recognised as income, as this is not the University's gained economic benefit, and such amounts do not increase equity. Income from funding is recognised for the period in which costs related to said income are sustained.

Income must be assessed at fair value. All proceeds included in the Statement of Operations are related to the ongoing activities of the University. Proceeds are fees under education services agreements concluded over a relevant period and decreased by the amount of fees related to the terminated education agreements. Earned premiums are premiums attributable to a relevant reporting period. Only one-year premiums are recognised as written premiums and are earned within a one year period.

The University's income from other activities consists of income earned from services other than tuition, from interest unrelated to investments, income from currency conversion and foreign currency exchange rate recalculation, and default interest.

#### Costs

The University's costs fall into core activities costs (cost price of services supplied and operating costs) and other activities costs.

Costs in the University's accounts are recognised based on accrual and comparability principles over the reporting period within which relevant related income is earned irrespective of the time of spending. In cases where it is impossible to relate the expenses incurred over a reporting period with earning of particular income, such expenses are recognised as costs over the same period within which they were sustained.

The 'business as usual' costs include costs sustained over a reporting period related to tuition services (cost price of services supplied), operating costs and other costs.

Operating costs include expenses which are not directly related to tuition process expenses. They consist of administration staff costs, premises maintenance as well as means of communication costs, amortisation and depreciation costs, legal services, publication and publishing of books expenses as well as other expenses which are not directly related to the process of tuition.

The cost price of provided services includes student and faculty costs, library costs, student service costs, training costs, student scholarships and accommodation costs, teachers' business trip costs, grants for tuition fees, etc.

Minor assets and stationery are not stored by the University, they are purchased for current needs only, and such goods are immediately distributed for using.

## **Dealings in foreign currency**

Dealings in foreign currency are reflected in accounts according to that particular day's official rate of exchange as announced by the Bank of Lithuania. Profit and loss from dealings in foreign currencies as well as from assets denominated in foreign currencies and also from liabilities on revaluation date is registered in financial and investment activities income or cost statements.

## Changes to the accounting policy

The principle of stability requires providing a possibility of comparing the University's financial reporting of different periods. Such comparison is required for the determination of trends in changes of the University's financial standing, assets, trends in income and costs changes, therefore, for all reporting periods the same accounting policy should apply.

Change to the accounting policy in financial statements is shown applying a retrospective method, that is, a change in the accounting policy is shown as if it was applied to economic operations and events since their occurrence. The retrospective method involves adjustment in the accumulated balance of the operating result. At

the same time, financial reporting items of the previous reporting periods are recalculated and provided and comparative information is provided in an explanatory note. When making adjustments, the amount of previous periods cannot be precisely assessed in accordance with the new accounting policy. In such a case, a perspective method is applied.

The impact of a change in the accounting policy on the results of current and previous reporting periods is shown in the current period financial reporting and is described in the Explanatory Notes.

## **Changes in accounting estimates**

Accounting estimates are revised in case of a change in the circumstances based on which a relevant assessment was made or in case of occurrence of any additional information or any other events.

The impact of a change in the accounting estimates is attributed to:

- the period within which the change was made, if it has an impact on that particular period only;
- the period within which the change was made and to subsequent periods, if the change will have an impact on them as well.

The impact of a change for a reporting period is recognised as profit or cost from ordinary activities over the period. The impact, if any, for future periods is recognised in future periods. The impact of a change in the accounting estimate is included in the same line item of the Statement of Operations in which the original estimate was reflected.

## **Correction of accounting errors**

For a reporting period accounting errors may be found in financial statements for previous reporting periods.

Errors which are not substantive are corrected in the financial reporting for a current period. Correction of an error is included in the same line item of operating results statement, in which line the error was made. Substantive errors in previous periods are corrected applying a retrospective method, unless it is impossible to make a precise estimation of the impact of any substantive errors on financial reporting for previous periods. In this case, a perspective method is applied.

The corrected substantive error amount in a previous period is provided in the financial reporting for the reporting period by adjusting the accumulated balance of the operating result as at the beginning of the reporting period. At the same time, corrections are made to the comparative information in the financial reporting for the reporting period. If it is impossible to provide the comparative information, this is indicated in the Explanatory Notes.

Financial reporting as well as comparative information for previous periods is provided equal to what it would be, if the substantive error would be corrected during the period in which it was made. The correction amount related to each previous period is included in the profit or loss for that particular period. The balance of the accumulated operating result originally shown in the earliest period provided in the financial reporting is adjusted in the correction amount that is attributable to previous periods other than those provided in the financial reporting.

## COMMENTS TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES

# Note 1. Intangible assets

Information on the University's fixed intangible assets at the end of the reporting period is presented in the table below:

# Table 2

Name	Intangible fixed assets
Opening valuation:	
Balance as of 30-09-2020	5 594
Acquisitions	-
Disposals	-
Transfers between accounts	-
Balance as of 30-09-2021	5 594
Accumulated depreciation	
Balance as of 30-09-2020	4 354
Depreciation over a year	509
Depreciation of disposals	-
Transfers between accounts	-
Balance as of 30-09-2021	4 863
Balance as of 30-09-2020	1 240
Balance as of 30-09-2021	731

# Note 2. Fixed tangible assets

Information on the University's fixed tangible assets at the end of the reporting period is presented in the table below:

# Table 3

Name	Other equipment, devices, tools and facilities
Opening valuation:	
Balance as of 30-09-2020	180 667
Acquisitions	46 947
Disposals	-
Transfers between accounts	-
Balance as of 30-09-2021	227 614
Accumulated depreciation	
Balance as of 30-09-2020	133 248
Depreciation over a year	28 078
Depreciation of disposals	-
Transfers between accounts	-
Balance as of 30-09-2021	161 326
Balance as of 30-09-2020	47 419
Balance as of 30-09-2021	66 288

Full stocktaking of all asset classes was carried out at the University as at the close of August.

No tangible assets were written off during the stocktaking.

During the reporting period, the University received a total of EUR 5 373.61 in assets from the State Studies Foundation for free use:

- Electrically adjustable height table ergoMIR-1000 / 680E, 2 pcs. EUR 1 663.75 each;
- Adjustable keyboard tray, 3 pcs EUR 613.47 each;
- Adjustable chair gray 1 pc. EUR 205.70.

The new premises at Savičiaus str. 17, Vilnius that the University currently uses for tuition and administrative purposes have been assigned to the University at the Government decision for a four-years period on a right of use basis. In the University's off-balance sheet accounting it is considered that according to the average market value set by the Centre of Registers, the support obtained/used in the form of premises is worth EUR 1 870 000. Agreement on lending the premises on a right of use basis was concluded on 31 December, 2019.

## Note 3. Financial assets

Under this item, the University's contributions to the capital of public entities are reflected.

1. Investment in the University's controlled public entity "Mokslo ir studijų internacionalizavimo institutas" ('Education and Science Internationalisation Institute') (100% stake) is accounted for at acquisition cost of EUR 28.96. The University does not seek nor in the nearest future intends to sell or otherwise assign its stake, therefore, it does not undertake any estimation of the fair value of the investment.

The contribution to "Mokslo ir studijų internacionalizavimo institutas" was entered into accounts in 2015, by offsetting one of the payments made to the institution. The Institute was established in July 2010.

"Mokslo ir studijų internacionalizavimo institutas" has not provided the University with its financial reporting for the reporting period and from the University Group's perspective said entity is considered negligible (it is highly unlikely that said entity's assets and net income can exceed 5% of the University's assets and net income over the same period), therefore, the financial reporting is not consolidated.

2. Investment in the University's controlled public entity "Teises ir demokratijos centras" ('Centre for Law and Democracy') (100% stake) is accounted for at acquisition cost of EUR 30. The University does not seek nor in the nearest future intends to sell or otherwise assign its stake, therefore, it does not undertake any estimation of the fair value of the investment.

The contribution to "Teises ir demokratijos centras" was entered into accounts in 30 September, 2021, by entering EHU's short-term commitment VšĮ "Teises ir demokratijos centras". The Centre was established in July 2021. After the Centre opened a checking account with the bank, the monetary contribution was transferred to the Centre's checking account in 8 November, 2021.

"Teises ir demokratijos centras" has not provided the University with its financial reporting for the reporting period, was inactive during this period and from the University Group's perspective said entity is considered negligible (it is highly unlikely that said entity's assets and net income can exceed 5% of the University's assets and net income over the same period), therefore, the financial reporting is not consolidated.

# Note 4. Inventories

Inventories as at the end of the reporting period were EUR 0 (in 2019/2020 they were EUR 0).

Prepayments as at the end of the reporting period are EUR 10 658 (in 2019/2020 they were EUR 4 001). The largest portion of prepayments was the amount of EUR 3 138 transferred to ICOMOS – "Belarusian Committee (ICOMOS) International Council on monuments and Sites" for services and advances paid to Vilnius Academy of Arts in the amount of EUR 3 100 and to the Publishing House in the amount of EUR 3 350.

Deferred expenses as at the end of the reporting period amounted to EUR 18 600 (in 2019/2020 they were EUR 11 802). Distribution of said expenses is as follows:

- Deferred expenses for the right to use antiplagiarism software, supplier TURNITIN FBS (USA), make EUR 6 237. Remaining period: 7 months;
- Deferred expenses for the right to use software, supplier Softex Baltic, make EUR 2 779. Remaining period: 3 months;

- Deferred expenses for the right to use the procurement program Mercell make EUR 292, supplier Mercell Lietuva. Remaining period: 7 months;
- Deferred expenses for the studies at VDU of the EHU students of political and economic programme under the joint activity agreement make EUR 733, supplier VDU. Remaining period: 5 months;
- Deferred expenses for the right to use the software for the University library make EUR 2 944, supplier TEKSOD. Remaining period: 12 months;
- Deferred expenses for the right to use the software for the University library make EUR 682, supplier CAMBRIDGE University. Remaining period: 3 months;
- Deferred expenses for the right to use the software for the University library make EUR 3 600, supplier PTFS Europe Ltd. Remaining period: 12 months.
- Deferred expenses for municipal waste management make EUR 500, supplier Vilnius city municipality. Remaining period: 3 months;
- Deferred expenses for European University Association member's fee make EUR 833. Remaining period: 3 months.

# Note 5. Amounts receivable within one year

Amounts receivable within one year at the end of the reporting period equal to EUR 288 955 (in 2019/2020 - EUR 10 491). The largest portion at the end of previous reporting period consisted of receivables from EU delegated funds to cover the University's operating expenses for AY 2020-2021 in the amount of EUR 277 743. These funds will actually be transferred to the University in the first half of 2022 after the EU approve the University's final financial statement on the eligibility of using the funds.

The remaining part of this amount consists of: EUR 6 633 (in 2019/2020 - EUR 11 288) - contributions payable by students for tuition and for dormitory accommodation, EUR 6 614 - other amounts receivable from the budget.

Other receivables in the amount of EUR 6 614 (in 2019/2020 - EUR 1 966) consist of the excess payments of tax liabilities:

- Excess payment of personal income tax on income unrelated to employment-relationship: EUR 688;
- Overpayment of VAT and interest under tax credit agreement: EUR 1;
- Overpayment of Social Security tax: EUR 5 925.

The nearest-term ordinary monthly contributions to the state budget will be decreased in the amounts of aboveindicated excess payments.

At the close of the reporting year after inventory of students debts for tuition and dormitory accommodation the sum of bad debts amounting to EUR 21 354 (EUR 17 189 for tuition and EUR 4 165 for dormitories) was determined and written off in accordance with the Accounting Policy (contributions overdue for more than 360 days). In addition, student dubious debts have been created on the basis of the agreed accounting policy provisions according to the classification groups of the days of delay in the amount of EUR 2 036 (tuition – EUR 788 and dormitories – EUR 1 248). In such a way the amount of impairment costs is increased by EUR 23 390 in the Statement of Operations. During the reporting financial year, some of the bad debts written off last year were paid. Students' debt management is a relevant issue as debts are due from citizen of Belarus, and debt recovery possibilities are uncertain and quite expensive.

### Note 6. Cash and cash equivalents

As at 30 September, 2021, the cash balance on accounts with banks was EUR 1 744 645 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 1 453 076).

## Note 7. Part-Owners capital

The University's capital consists of contributions from Part-Owners in the total amount of EUR 87 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 87). Over the reporting period there was no change in the number of Part-Owners.

Operating result of the reporting period was EUR 0.

## Note 8. Funding

As at the close of the period, the balance of the targeted funding amounts obtained was EUR 1 631 427 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 1 074 466), of which EUR 67 019 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 48 659) was the amount of the residual value of fixed assets acquired from the support funds and the balance of support received from donors and other sources is EUR 1 564 408 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 1 025 807).

The main balances of the obtained amounts of targeted funding, by sources:

## Table 4

	CHANGE IN THE AMOUNTS OF TA	ARGETED FUNDI	NG DURING TH	E REPORTING PER	IOD	
No	The source of targeted funding	Balance as at the beginning of the reporting period	Obtained over the reporting period	Drawn down over the reporting period	Change in the amounts receivable	(EUR) Balance as at the close of the reporting period
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	State budget	223 622	298 117	313 709	(15 592)	208 030
1.1	Lithuanian Government delegated funds via Sida for funding of the University's activities	200 000	197 435	230 353	(32 918)	167 082
1.1.1	Funding for the University's activities	200 000	-	200 000	(200 000)	-
1.1.2	Support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	200 000	77 252	(122 748)	122 748
1.1.2.1	Support for Belarusian students recognized as EHU income for science research	-	(52 565)	(52 565)	-	-
1.1.3	Establishment of VšĮ "Teisės ir demokratijos centras"	-	50 000	5 666	44 334	44 334
1.2	Funds allocated by the Ministry of Education, Science, and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania for funding of the University's research activities	23 622	100 682	83 356	17 326	40 948
2.	Municipal budgets	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Other sources	850 844	3 075 154	2 502 601	572 553	1 423 397
3.1	Swedish Government delegated funds via Sida (aid for EHU 2017-2022) for development of the University's activities	569 901	582 737	293 671	289 066	858 967
3.2	EU delegated funds via Sida (aid for EHU 2019-2021) for development of the University's activities	-	1 842 844	1 842 844***	-	-
3.3	Education exchanges support foundation, Erasmus mobility programme, financing of master's degree students' tuition fees and scholarships, in that number under the agreements:	201 031	113 881	146 388	(32 507)	168 524
3.3.1	AM-2021-LT-1818 AM-2021-LT-1818	-	4 110	-	4 110	4 110
3.3.2	2021-1-LT01-KA131-HED-000011157	-	47 088	-	47 088	47 088
3.3.3	2019-1-LT01-KA107-060248	89 956	-	54 176	(54 176)	35 780
3.3.4	2019-1-LT01-KA103-060210/01	1 196	17 487	5 684	11 803	12 999
3.3.5	2017-09.3.1-ESFA-V-709-01-0003-SU-27/07	-	23 276	14 430	8 846	8 846
3.3.6	2020-1-LT01-KA103-077470	57 588	-	42 289	(42 289)	15 299
3.3.7	2020-1-LT01-KA107-077738	47 993	-	15 471	(15 471)	32 522
3.3.8	MS-2020-LT-1774-1012-01	-	4 540	4 540	-	-
3.3.9 3.3.10	MS -2019LT-1722-1003-01	4 298	5 500	9 798	(4 298)	-
	MS-2021-LT-1836	-	11 880	-	11 880	11 880

3.4	European Commission, European global constitutionalism teaching within and outside the EU.	10 453	15 000	25 453	(10 453)	-
3.5	UNIWERSYTET LODZKI, Erasmus funds	8 572	-	8 572	(8 572)	-
3.6	BARD college, micro grants for students' projects	2 228	-	146	(146)	2 082
3.7	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, project No P2020-VB-BA-07	10 000	2 911	12 911	(10 000)	-
3.8	Foundation Open Society Institute (FOSI), development of successful social project network with EHU students	-	42 146	27 974	14 172	14 172
3.8.1	Coverage of the cost of converting USD into EUR		(295)	(295)	-	-
3.9	BARD college, Writing & Thinking project	-	1 690	1 690	-	-
3.10	International Media Support (IMS), Denmark, support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	32 000	1 250	30 750	30 750
3.10.1	Support for Belarusian students recognized as EHU income for science research		(1 250)	(1 250)	-	-
3.11	Swedish Institute (SI) support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	88 492	27 121	61 371	61 371
3.12	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia, support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	50 000	30 950	19 050	19 050
3.12.1	Support for Belarusian students recognized as EHU income for science research		(30 950)	(30 950)	-	-
3.13	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway, support for Belarusian students and researchers	-	47 000	-	47 000	47 000
3.14	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, CPVA, project No P2021-VB- BA-01	-	23 992	2 158	21 834	21 834
3.15	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, CPVA, project No P2021-VB- BA-02	-	17 200	3 729	13 471	13 471
3.16	US Department of State, US Embassy in Vilnius. "University without borders", SLH50020GR0028	-	102 240	55 130	47 110	47 110
3.17	US Department of State, US Embassy in Vilnius. "Jewish Heritage in Belarus", SLH50020GR0025	-	17 040	596	16 444	16 444
3.18	IFES (International Foundation for Electorial Systems), via USAID Belarus Rapid Response Program	-	5 934	5 934	-	-
3.18.1	Coverage of the cost of converting USD into EUR		(157)	(157)	-	-
3.19	Central European University. TSI Fellowships of the Open Society University Network. Belarusian researchers support program	-	28 020	-	28 020	28 020
3.20	American Councils Donation for International Education	-	16 712	-	16 712	16 712

3.21	Bard College, OSUN activities	-	57 594	46 723	10 871	10 871
3.21.1	Bard College OSUN activities coordination	-	7 762	7 762	-	-
3.21.2	Bard College (OSUN) "Return Names"	-	611	611	-	-
3.21.3	Bard College (OSUN) "Network for Experimental Humanities Collaboration"	-	14 252	13 018	1 234	1 234
3.21.4	Bard College (OSUN) scholarship for M. Martinovich	-	1 223	1 223	-	-
3.21.5	Bard College (OSUN) for speakers of the inauguration OSUN ELI	-	1 599	1 599	-	-
3.21.6	Bard College (OSUN) "Cluster for Urbanistic Action Research"	-	3 118	-	3 118	3 118
3.21.7	Bard College (OSUN) for faculty participation in the OSUN wide courses	-	1 848	1 848	-	-
3.21.8	Bard College (OSUN) for EHU participation in the global debate network	-	4 168	4 168	-	-
3.21.9	Bard College (OSUN) faculty fellowships in the courses of OSUN network, Spring 2021	-	5 836	5 836	-	-
3.21.10	Bard College (OSUN Center for Human Rights) support for students' internships	-	10 792	5 054	5 738	5 738
3.21.11	Bard College (OSUN) Engaged Senior Project Award /ESPA	-	781	-	781	781
3.21.12	Bard College (OSUN) CLASP networks course seminar series	-	206	206	-	-
3.21.13	Bard College (OSUN) wide courses. 2021 m. summer / civic engagement	-	2 102	2 102	-	-
3.21.14	Bard College (OSUN) Student mobility scholarship for studies in Bard College (Darya Hulevich -2000\$, Kristina Hyrla- 2000\$)	-	3 296	3 296	-	-
3.22	Development of teaching methodologies for EPAM study subjects in system programming and IT	-	15 000	15 000	-	-
3.23	The residual value of assets acquired form Support funds / The compensation of fixed assets depreciation of current year / Deduction of acquisition costs of FA	48 659	5 373	(12 987)	18 360	67 019
4.	Total	1 074 466	3 373 271	2 816 310	556 961	1 631 427

\*\*\* EUR 277 743 was for EU indebtedness formed for the end of the last payment period, which will be paid to the University after the final report on the use of the funding has been approved in the EU.

Funding amounts are recognised as income from funding in that reporting period in which the costs for which compensation the funding amounts are used, were incurred. During the AY 2020/2021 income from funding amounted to EUR 2 816 310 (in 2019/2020 - EUR 2 105 545).

Within the reporting period, the University's activities continued to be financed under financing agreements with Sida (Swedish International Development Agency, Sida). Within the reporting period, major donors of the activities carried on by the University were the EU and governments of Sweden and Lithuania. On 28

November, 2017, a financing agreement was concluded with Sida on the Swedish Government delegated funds in the amount of SEK 18 000 000 for the period 2017-2019. On 19 December, 2018 an arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the Swedish Government delegated funds in the amount of SEK 18 000 000 was concluded extending the agreement term until 2023, and the amount of financing was increased up to SEK 43 000 000, i.e. increased by SEK 25 000 000. On November, 2020 an additional arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the Swedish Government delegated funds and the financing amount was increased to SEK 45 000 000, i.e. for SEK 2 000 000. Under this agreement, the balance at the beginning of the reporting period amounted to EUR 569 901. The amount obtained within the reporting period was EUR 582 737, the drawn down amount – EUR 293 671, the balance at the end of the period was EUR 858 967.

Also, on 23 September, 2020, a new funding agreement was signed with Sida on the EU delegated funds in the amount of EUR 2 243 000 for the period 2019-2021. On 1 July, 2021 an arrangement on supplementing the agreement on the EU delegated funds in the amount EUR 534 427 was signed and thus the financing amount was increased to EUR 2 777 427 in total. The amount actually obtained under this agreement during the reporting period was EUR 1 565 101 and the drawn down amount – EUR 1 842 844 of which EUR 277 743 was for EU indebtedness formed for the end of the last payment period, which will be paid to the University after the final report on the use of the funding has been approved in the EU. The actual cash entry into the EHU bank account is planned for June 2022.

Also in May, 2020 the grant agreement with Sida for the Lithuanian Government delegated funds was extended up to 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2021 (at the provisional stage this agreement was valid until 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2017 then extended until 31<sup>st</sup> of December, 2020). Under this agreement in 31 October, 2019 additional amount of EUR 200 000 was transferred to the University, on 4 June 2020 – another amount of EUR 200 000. 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 this agreement was supplemented with the additional amount of EUR 250 000 as a special support for Belarusian students, that wish to study at EHU and EUR 50 000 for the establishment of the Center of Justice for Belarusian Human Rights and Constitutionalism. Thus at the end of the reporting period the University had a balance of EUR 200 000. It was fully used during the reporting period for University's usual expenses. During the reporting period University received an additional amount of EUR 250 000, of which an amount of EUR 82 918 was used. The balance of this financing agreement as at 30 September, 2021 was EUR 167 082. These funds were used for:

- ✓ Support for Belarusian students' tuition fees payment at EHU: EUR 52 656;
- ✓ Support for Belarusian researchers: EUR 24 687;
- ✓ Expenses for the establishment of Teisės ir demokratijos centras: EUR 5 666.

At the end of 2020, the EHU Emergency Fund was established to support Belarusian students and researchers affected by the authoritarian regime in Belarus. The Republic of Lithuania, the Kingdoms of Norway and Denmark, the Republics of Finland and Estonia, and Swedish Institute (Sweden) responded quickly to the difficult situation of students and researchers in Belarus and became major donors to the fund.

At the end of 2020 and the beginning of 2021 the EHU prepared applications for financial support in accordance with the procedures established by the donors. Financing agreements were signed during the same period. The financing decision was approved and support for the Emergency Fund was provided by the Swedish Institute (EUR 98 325), the Kingdom of Norway (EUR 47 000) and Denmark (EUR 40 000), and the Republic of Estonia (EUR 50 000). Detailed information on the movement of these funding amounts is provided in Table 4.

After signing the agreement on EHU participation in OSUN (Open Society University Network) between EHU and OSUN on August 26, 2020, this activity of EHU was raised to a higher level, creating preconditions for the University to develop activities aimed at forming a democratic and socially responsible society and solving socially significant problems. In order for institutional participation in these activities to be smooth and productive, in December 2020 the position of institutional OSUN coordinator was established. During AY 2020-2021, the University teachers and students started to implement or implemented more than 20 OSUN-funded activities. These activities include student mini-projects, a student exchange program between OSUN institutions, specific study courses focused on building a democratic society, and short-term and long-term teacher projects. Detailed information on the movement of these funding amounts is provided in Table 4.

During the reporting period support was also received:

## Table 5

	Γ						(in EUR)		
Provider of support received The subject of					ubject of the su	of the support received			
No	N	Code,		Assets,	a .	Assets on a	Volunte	ers work	
	Name address In cash other than S cash	Services	right of use basis	EUR	EUR				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
1.	Legal entities of the Republic of Lithuania	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
1.1.									
1.2.									
2.	Foreign legal entities	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	
2.1.									
2.2.									
3.	Persons and anonymous	Х	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	
4.	Residents who granted a part of personal income tax	Х	699	X	Х	X	Х	X	
5.	Total	Х	699	X	Х	X	Х	Х	

#### SUPPORT RECEIVED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

Support provided during the reporting period:

### Table 6

CHARITY SUPPORT GRANTED	DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD
CHARTER, SUITORT ORANIED	DUKING THE KEFOKTING LEKIOD

No Beneficiary of granted charity, support The subject of the charity, support granted	No	Beneficiary of granted charity, support	The subject of the charity, support granted
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(in EUR)

	Name	Code, address	In cash	Assets, other than cash	Services	Assets on a right of use basis
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Legal entities	Х	77 595	Х	Х	Х
1.1.	VšĮ "Mokslo ir studijų internacionalizavimo institutas"	302527890, Tauro g.12, Vilnius	77 595	Х	Х	Х
1.2.						
2.	Persons	Х	-	Х	Х	Х
3.	Total	Х	77 595	Х	Х	Х

According to the EHU budget for the 2021/2022 academic year, approved by the General Meeting of Part-Owners on 5 October, 2021, the need of external funding for the next fiscal year is 3.9 million EUR.

Forecasted sources of EHU external funding for the 2021/2022 academic year according the funding agreements signed and in force at the time of preparation of the reports:

### Table 7

Source of funds	Amount, EUR
1. The balance of Swedish government delegated funds as at 30-09-2021	858 967
2. The funds of Lithuanian government (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) for the period 2021-2022	200 000
3. Swedish government delegated funds for period 2021-2022	~502 069
Total:	~1 561 036

The judgement of the top-level management of the University is that there are no doubts about the Institution's solvency and ability to continue its activities. The EHU Multi-Donor Trust Fund (EHU Trust Fund) is currently being established for the efficient and coordinated management of donor contributions. The EHU Trust Fund will be administered by the Lithuanian Central Project Management Agency (CPMA). The EU is preparing to sign an agreement with the CPMA for contribution to Trust Fund, which will allow the EHU Trust Fund to become operational on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021. Starting on February 1, 2022 EHU Trust Fund will start financing the University. The EU has signed an agreement on a contribution with the Lithuanian Central Project Management Agency (CPMA), according which, based on Decision ENI / 2020/042-952 – *ES4Belarus: Solidarity with the People of Belarus*, 4 million EUR is allocated to support the European Humanities University (EHU).

In terms of contributions from international donors to the EHU-TF (Trust Fund), in addition to the EU contribution of around EUR 3 400 000 for a two-year period, the Kingdom of the Netherlands has committed EUR 100 000 this year and intends to repeat this amount of support for the next 4 years. The Lithuanian and

Swedish governments have stated their readiness to consider continuing to provide annual funding to EHU, i.e., approximately EUR 200 000 – 300 000 per year respectively and 0.8 - 1 million EUR will be allocated on a temporary basis, in addition through the EHU-TF. In order to ensure the full continuity of the EHU's activities, as set out in the 2021-2026 action plan new donors must provide at least 1 - 1.5 million EUR per year. A recent donor conference this year and several visits by donor representatives to the EHU have shown an interest in supporting the EHU among a wider group of international donors. This will require very close follow-up and cooperation at all levels, i.e. EHU, the EHU Governing Board, stakeholders and the CPMA to translate these intentions of other donors into specific EHU funding.

The CPMA will also be responsible for managing the donor oversight structure, implementing EHU funding, monitoring and financial control, and reporting to donors, and supporting the implementation of EHU 2021-2026 action plan. To this end, the EU will provide funding for *ad hoc* technical assistance to the EHU under the same contract with the CPMA. The CPMA will finance the EHU and ensure the stability of financial flows in the short term. Funding will be based on EHU's annual work plans and the funding amounts approved for plan implementation. The main focus will be on Lithuanian requirements for higher education institution, quality assurance and EHU accreditation, university management; research and innovation, internationalization, partnership with external stakeholders, accounting and financial management, human resources management, legal advice and networking.

## Note 9. Amounts payable and liabilities

As at the end of the reporting period, the amount of long-term liabilities was EUR 0 (in 2019/2021 they were EUR 0). Over the reporting period there are no long-term finance lease (leasing) obligations.

Current payables:

- Debts to service providers and authors amount to EUR 71 899 (in 2019/2020 EUR 75 668), mainly they include current-month invoices payable the following month and the remaining non-disbursed portions of scholarships under Erasmus exchange programme (on 30-09-2021, payment term was not yet due). The largest amount of this sum was due to the liability to UAB Būstas in the amount of EUR 15 870 for leased student dormitories.
- Advance payments received amounting to EUR 306 755 (in 2019/2020 they were EUR 209 318), of which EUR 273 899 are advance payments received from students for tuition for 2021/2022 and EUR 32 856 for dormitory accommodation.
- Liabilities related to employment relationship amounting to EUR 88 075 (in 2019/2020 EUR 142 608), of which vacation allowance accruals make EUR 88 075.
- Other current liabilities amounting to EUR 31 693 (in 2018/2019 they were EUR 25 910), which consist of VAT due in the amount of EUR 23 677, payable part-owner fees to VšĮ "Teisės ir demokratijos centras" of EUR 30 and accrued audit costs of EUR 7 986. The audit is performed by UAB Persence Audit. The University did not receive any other services from this audit company during the reporting year.

### Note 10. Sales income

In the reporting period, sales income was EUR 1 060 439 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 986 825). Income related to tuition activities increased by EUR 68 771 during the reporting period. The reason of this growth was not the

growth of the number of students but increased tuition fees for 2019/2020 academic year, which essentially offset the loss of University income due to declining numbers of students. Income for dormitory accommodation was comparable to previous year only EUR 3 585 more than last year. Other income in the reporting period increased by EUR 1 258 compared to the last year. In total sales income, despite of the pandemic, maintained a positive growth trend and in the reporting year was higher in EUR 73 614 compared to the previous financial year.

#### Table 8

		(III LOK)
Income	2020/2021	2019/2020
Tuition-related income	891 800	823 029
Income for dormitory accommodation	145 458	141 873
Other income	23 181	21 923
Sales income, in total:	1 060 439	986 825

## Note 11. Income from funding

Financing amounts are recognized as income from funding of the reporting period within which costs related to financing amounts were sustained. During 2020/202 academic year income from funding amounted to EUR 2 816 310 (in 2019/2020 – EUR 2 105 545), this is more by EUR 710 765 than during previous reporting period. External income from funding for the University's core activities increased significantly, by the amount of EUR 442 926. Funding for University's project activities received from other sources also increased by EUR 267 839. Detailed information of income from funding by source is provided in Table 4.

### Note 12. Costs

Costs sustained over the reporting period were EUR 3 876 999 (in 2019/2020 they were EUR 3 092 521), i.e. EUR 784 478 more than in the previous reporting period. The change in expenses of core activities (the cost price of services supplied and operating costs) is EUR 781 735 more than in the previous reporting period. The most significant change was in costs related to wages – increase of EUR 651 637, increase of impairment and write-off costs – EUR 13 232, increase of dormitories rental costs – EUR 25 020, increase in scholarship costs – EUR 101 336, decrease of other services costs – EUR 2 217. Other costs amounted to EUR 11 949 (in 2019/2020 – 9 206). The change increased by EUR 2 743 compared to previous financial year. The increase of expenses of core activities (the cost price of services supplied and operating costs) was mainly due to the increased activity of the University in the project area and the new motivational incentive scheme for employees at the University during the reporting period, which resulted in an increase in wage costs compared to the previous financial year.

		(in EUR)
Costs	2020/2021	2019/2020
Wages and related tax costs	2 927 819	2 276 182
By employment contracts	2 484 594	1 939 356
By royalties agreements, service agreements	443 225	336 826
Depreciation and amortisation costs	28 587	28 165
Depreciations and write-off costs	23 390	10 158

### Table 9

(in EUR)

Premises running costs, utilities costs	53 571	68 623
Dormitory rental costs	157 050	132 030
Scholarship costs	253 615	152 279
Provided support (Minsk office running costs)	77 595	69 968
Other service costs	343 423	345 640
Core activities in total:	3 865 050	3 083 045
Other costs	11 949	9 206
In total:	3 876 999	3 092 251

# Note 13. The type of leased property, the length of lease term, the possibility to extend it and the amount of lease fee.

During the reporting period, the University leased the following assets:

- Student dormitories from Vilnius University for accommodation of EHU students. The lease agreement was signed in 1 August, 2017. The agreement is currently in force and there are no plans to cancel it in the near future. During the reporting period, the total lease costs of dormitories amounted to EUR 157 050 (in 2019/2020 EUR 132 030). These costs are reimbursed by the University through student fees for dormitories paid to the University under signed agreements with students.
- The car FORD MONDEO TREND, year of manufacturing 2019, under an operating lease agreement with "Swedbank lizingas" UAB. The agreement was signed on 30 January, 2019. Valid until 30 January, 2022. The University incurred in total EUR 4 040 of lease expenses for lease of this property (in 2019/2020 EUR 4 040).

## Note 14. Other activities result

The result of other activities is a loss of EUR 11 699 (in 2019/2020 a loss was EUR 9 054). Other activities income amounted only to EUR 250 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 151). Other costs in reporting year were bank commission fees and charges – EUR 9 976 and interest for the tax credit of EUR 149 and influence of exchange rates – EUR 1 824.

# Note 15. Amounts disbursed to the Head of the University and transactions with the University part owners

Over the reporting period, the amount calculated in wage to the Rector of the University was EUR 148 368 (in 2019/2020 – EUR 117 397).

Over the reporting period, the amount calculated in wage to the President of the University was EUR 23 926. Over the reporting period the President held the position until 5 January, 2021 (in 2019/2020 it was EUR 89 319).

Over the reporting period, there were no transactions with the University part owners.