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**Director**  
**European Institute for**  
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**Background**

Roman-Germanic languages, Master Degree 1980, Vilnius State University.

Certified Moderator/facilitator on Goal Orientated Project Planning (GOPP), Logical framework Approach (LFA) 1999, Process Consultants and Moderator Group, Tervuren, Belgium.

Certificate In Business economy 1996, High school of Kalix (adult learning).

Certificate 'Sale of Goods, Shipping and Insurance' 1993, International Development Law Institute.

**Professional Experience**

**Since 2009** Director of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) - *an EU regulatory agency*

**2008-2009**

Deputy Director at Department for Management and Methods in Development Co-operation of the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Areas of responsibility:

Results-Based Management, policies and methods, capacity building

**2004-2008**

Senior Consultant, Programme Director at Sipu International, Sweden

Areas of responsibility:

Gender equality, public sector reform, HIV/AIDS, decentralisation, capacity building

**2001-2004**

Senior Consultant, Programme Director at ÅF-International, Sweden

Areas of responsibility:

Gender equality, public sector reform, HIV/AIDS, regional/local development, decentralisation, organizational change

**1995-2001**

Project manager, Senior consultant at the Swedish Association of Local and Regional Authorities

Areas of responsibility:

Gender equality, decentralisation, local self-government, EU Institutional Twinning, Project Cycle Management

**1994-1995**

Project manager at the Kalix Local Authority, Sweden

Areas of responsibility:

Local government, municipal services, decentralisation, equal opportunities and politics

**1992-1994**

Advisor to the Minister, Officer at the European Integration Department, Officer at the Diplomatic Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania

Areas of responsibility:

Public sector, civil service, European Union, education and culture

**1990-1992**

Head of the International Relations Department of the Kaunas Municipality

Areas of responsibility:

International relations, decentralisation, personnel management, co-operation projects