

**KAUNO MIESTO SAVIVALDYBĖS
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MAYOR**

Lithuanian Sports University

Rector

Diana Rėklaitienė

2024 -01- 29
..... No. (33.200)R-316
To No.**RE: THE HEPA EUROPE CONFERENCE IN LITHUANIA 2025**

On behalf of the City of Kaunas, I enthusiastically endorse your application to host HEPA Europe Conference in our city in 2025.

Kaunas is the second-largest city in Lithuania and the fourth largest city in the Baltic States after the capitals Vilnius, Riga and Tallinn. It is also an important centre of Lithuanian economic, academic, and cultural life. During the interwar period, Kaunas became a provisional capital and the most significant city in Lithuania, where the most important state issues were considered and active cultural life was concentrated. At that time, modernist architecture flourished in the city: public and office buildings, museums, educational institutions, hotels, industrial sites, residential buildings, and others were built. Kaunas hosted many cultural events as the 2022 European Capital of Culture, and last year Kaunas' modernist architecture was inscribed onto the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Kaunas is Lithuania's sports capital and has a proud history of sports, both in terms of great sporting achievements and our successes in hosting world class international sporting events. Over the past decade, the city has changed a lot, as the Kaunas City Municipality has set an ambitious goal - to foster a high quality of life for smart, active and healthy residents by creating a sustainable healthy lifestyle-promoting environment, services and well-being. An active lifestyle becomes an integral part of the lives of citizens.

I hope the bid hosting of the Annual Conference and Annual Meeting of the European Network for the Promotion of Health-Enhancing Physical Activity (HEPA) Europe 2025 in Kaunas is a successful one. Let me assure you that we would be very proud to welcome you and all the delegates attending the conference to Kaunas next year.

Sincerely Yours,

Mayor of Kaunas City

Visvaldas Matijošaitis



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re. Support to the Lithuanian Sport University for its participation in call for hosts of the annual conference and annual meeting of HEPA Europe 2025

Dear Sir/Madamme,

By this letter, we would like to express the support of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania to the Lithuanian Sports University for its participation in call for hosts of the annual conference and annual meeting of HEPA Europe 2025.

We already know, that health enhancing physical activity is one of the key factors to improve the quality of human life and health. There is also increasing recognition that the practice and role of sport and physical activity are important to fulfil the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

We believe that the conference would be a very important tool to foster discussions on a better use of scientific evidence and policymaking in the field of health enhancing physical activity and we would be glad to host it in Lithuania.

Your sincerely,

Gintautas Jakštas
Minister



LIETUVOS RESPUBLIKOS SVEIKATOS APSAUGOS MINISTERIJA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

Lithuanian Sports University

-01-2024 No. (10.2.4.1E-412)10-
Re: 09-01-2024 No. 01-09-09

SUBJECT: HEPA Europe Conference and the EU Healthy Physical Activity Focal Point Network Meeting 2025 in Lithuania

Dear Prof. Diana Rėklaitienė,

Ministry of Health of Republic of Lithuania congratulates the initiative of the Lithuanian Sports University to organise the HEPA Europe Conference and the EU Healthy Physical Activity Focal Point Network Meeting 2025 in Kaunas, Lithuania. Promotion of physical activity is one of priorities of Public Health in Lithuania therefore the event will strengthen the attitude to physical activity even more. The Ministry of Health of the Republic of Lithuania considers that Lithuanian Sports University is competent and experienced institution to organise such important event.

Sincerely,

Viceminister

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Dear Prof Rėklaitienė,

Application for organizing the European Network for the Promotion of Health-Enhancing Health Physical Activity (HEPA Europe) Conference and Focal Points Meeting in Kaunas, Lithuania, in 2025

Thank you very much for the initiative of the Lithuanian Sports University (LSU) to organize the European Network for the Promotion of Health Enhancing Health Physical Activity (HEPA Europe) Conference and HEPA Europe Focal Points Network meeting in 2025 in Kaunas, Lithuania.

We believe that professional competence, experience in organizing international and national conferences, strong international and national relations and networks and very committed and enthusiastic team would be success factors in having the conference in Kaunas in 2025.

World Health Organization Country Office, Lithuania expresses full support and readiness to contribute to organization of the HEPA Europe Network events in Kaunas, and we wish all success for the application. We would be honoured to take part in the conference organizing committee and opening of the conference as well as committed to contribute financially for conference organization.

Taking this opportunity, we would like to express out highest consideration,

Yours sincerely,

Ingrida Zulryte
Head
WHO Country Office, Lithuania

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**LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR HOSTING HEPA EUROPE CONFERENCE IN KAUNAS
IN 2025**

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of Public Institution Kaunas IN, to convey our enthusiastic endorsement of your application to host the HEPA Europe conference in Kaunas in 2025.

Your decision to submit the application to host the event in Kaunas aligns seamlessly with the strategic objectives of the Kaunas City Municipality, particularly in fostering a high quality of life for a smart, active, and healthy population. We are confident that the comprehensive planning articulated in your application underscores your organization's ability to organize an event that will greatly benefit from it being hosted in Kaunas.

Kaunas IN is dedicated to promoting Kaunas as a premier destination for tourism, conferences, film production, investment, talent attraction, and retention. We strive to provide accurate information to all target groups throughout their interactions with Kaunas. We are committed to collaborating with you, offering our expertise to enhance the overall experience for conference attendees. This includes consultations on various aspects to make the event as informative and enjoyable as possible. We are poised to provide guidance on the arrival process, as well as recommend cultural and social activities that will allow participants to immerse themselves in the rich culture and history of both Kaunas and Lithuania.

Anticipating the opportunity to welcome the HEPA Europe conference to Kaunas, we remain steadfast in our commitment to contribute to the success of this noteworthy event to the best of our capabilities.

Thank you for considering Kaunas as the host city, and we look forward to the possibility of collaborating closely to ensure the event's success.

Director

Tadas Stankevičius