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# The ECO-IN project in Lithuania: results and future challenges

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## Lithuanian context



2021-2022 mokslo metais buvo

**71,4 tūkst.**

ikimokyklinio, priešmokyklinio ir bendrojo  
ugdymo mokinių, kuriems nustatyti  
specialieji ugdymosi poreikiai.

Tai sudaro apie

**15 proc.**

nuo visų vaikų  
ir mokinių.



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## Lithuanian context



**89,3 proc.**

specialiųjų ugdymosi poreikių turinčių  
priešmokyklinio, pradinio, pagrindinio ir  
vidurinio ugdymo mokinių buvo ugdoma  
bendrosiose klasėse

**3,1 proc.**  
specialiosiose klasėse

**7,6 proc.**  
specialiosiose mokyklose



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## Legislation in Lithuania

- Two years ago, the Seimas of the last legislature adopted amendments to the Law on Education.
- From 2024, all schools and kindergartens will have to accept children with special needs if their parents, in consultation with specialists, decide that attending such an institution is the best solution for their child.
- However, special schools will remain. Parents will be able to choose, in consultation with professionals, which institution best suits their child's needs.

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# ECO-IN in Lithuania

## TEAM OF 56 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE PROJECT



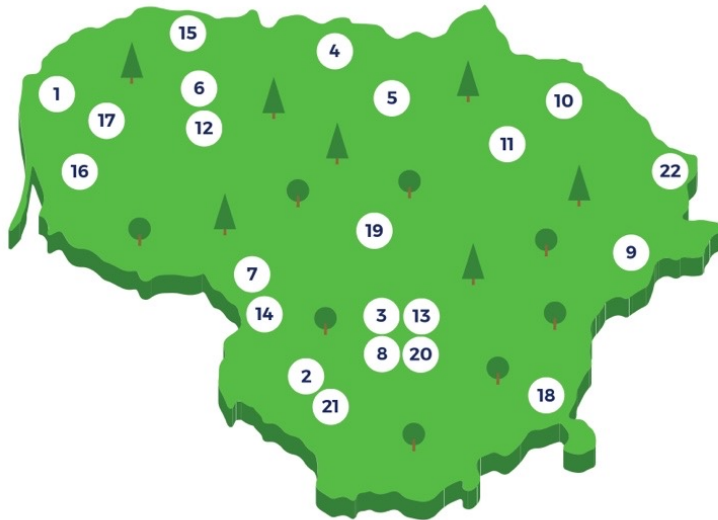
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# ECO-IN in Lithuania

## List of schools that participated in the ECO-IN project:



1. Kretinga district Vydmantu gymnasium
2. Marijampole Mokolu progymnasium
3. Kaunas „Šilas“ primary school
4. Joniškis „Saulės“ elementary school
5. Pakruojis „Žemynos“ progymnasium
6. Telšiai district Nevarenu elementary school
7. Jurbarkas Antano Giedraicio-Giedraius gymnasium
8. Kaunas Gediminas sports and Health Education gymnasium
9. Svencioniai Zigmo Zemaicio gymnasium
10. Rokiskis Senamiescio progymnasium
11. Kupiskis school „Varpelis“
12. Telsiai „Ateities“ progymnasium
13. Kaunas Zaliakalnis progymnasium
14. Sakiai „Varpo“ school
15. Mazeikiai Pavasario progymnasium
16. Gargzdai „Minijos“ progymnasium
17. Plunge akademiko Adolfo Jucio progymnasium
18. Salcininkai Lietuvos tukstantmecio gymnasium
19. Kėdainių raj. Akademijos gimnazija
20. Kaunas district Garliava A. Mitkaus elementary school
21. Marijampole kindergarten „Pasaka“
22. Visaginas „Draugystės“ progymnasium

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## Challenges

- Lack of specialists (assistants, psychologists, speech therapist spec pedagogues)
- Not enough finances
- Lack of cooperation between stakeholders
- Lack of support and training for the teachers
- Lack of changes in the society

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