

# 2020

This year, “Anthropos” continued its ongoing projects and actively developed new areas of activity – initiating open letters to the National Education Agency regarding textbook content and to Members of the European Parliament regarding the EU-Mercosur agreement. We also began working on the topic of cultural representation. Like many organizations, 2020 brought certain challenges – educational activities, “Anthropology Day,” and lectures had to move online, but this also opened new opportunities, such as a broader geography of activities and collaboration.

## WHAT DID WE DO?

- 2020 01 15 The podcast “The Human Show: Innovation through Social Science” published a conversation with colleagues Indra Lukošienė and Ugnė Starkutė:  
<https://worldpodcasts.com/anthropos-with-indra-lukosiene-and-ugne-starkute-on-anthropology-in-lithuania-and-the-mediating-role-of-the-applied-anthropologist-the-human-show-podcast-76/>
- 2020 01 20 “Euroblogas” published a conversation with colleague Ugnė Starkutė about food waste, its consequences for the climate crisis, and how each of us can reduce the amount of food we throw away:  
<https://euroblogas.lt/2020/01/20/patarimai-kaip-sumazinti-maisto-svaistyma-namuose/>
- 2020 01 – 2020 10 We conducted anthropology workshops titled “Food (No Longer) Food” about the food industry, food waste, and how these issues relate to climate catastrophe. We met many wonderful students and teachers in Kaunas, Grigiškės, Klaipėda, and Vilnius. The programme was funded by the Lithuanian Consumers Institute and EU funds. Some images can be found here:  
<https://www.facebook.com/anthropos.lt/posts/619532408842824>
- 2020 01 – 2020 03 We submitted several project applications to “Initiatives for Kaunas” and the Lithuanian Council for Culture. We received funding for “Anthropology Workshops: Global Inequality and Volunteering”! Unfortunately, the consideration of other projects was suspended due to quarantine.
- 2020 03 – 2020 05 Work on the “Anthropos” website took place.
- 2020 04 04 “Anthropology Day: Social Action” was planned. Thus, the second public event of this project in Lithuania was postponed due to the ongoing pandemic.
- 2020 05 Applications were submitted to conduct workshops on “Food and Global Inequality” through the Culture Passport programme. Both programmes were approved: “Anthropology Workshops: Food System and Climate Change” and “Anthropology Workshops: Global Inequality and Cultural Representation”!
- 2020 05-06 The “Food (No Longer) Food” workshops were conducted remotely.



- 2020 06 09 We prepared and published an open letter to the National Education Agency regarding the representation of cultures in geography textbooks. You can read the letter here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BIFz9AoSIM-GzsZnHf6AT3aW0qjU2IuZLFc\\_sEXtf5Y/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BIFz9AoSIM-GzsZnHf6AT3aW0qjU2IuZLFc_sEXtf5Y/edit)

- 2020 06 24 We prepared and published an article about the links between food and the climate crisis:

<https://www.delfi.lt/plius/mokslas-inovacijos/valgome-ne-maista-o-nafta-energija-kuria-ismetame.d?id=84597869>

- 2020 07 We prepared and published an article about the application of anthropology:

<https://anthropos.lt/socialinisveiksmas.html>

- 2020 07 08 and 22 At the invitation of the Kaunas County Public Library, we held a workshop-picnic titled "On Sustainable Food Consumption" <https://fb.me/e/14kU7pjKo>

- 2020 08 03-05 The anthropology workshops "Global Inequality and Volunteering" took place. You can see how everything looked here:

<https://www.facebook.com/anthropos.lt/posts/744729082989822>

- 2020 08 19-20 The workshops and discussions "Anthropology Day 2020: Social Action" took place. The aim was to present the applied perspective of the social sciences through workshops and discussions. Event participants included: Artūrs Pokšans (anthropologist, doctoral student at the University of Tartu, lecturer at the University of Latvia), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jekaterina Lavrinec (associate professor at Vilnius Gediminas Technical University, anthropologist, urbanist, activist), Dr. Kristina Jonutyte (lecturer at Vytautas Magnus University, anthropologist), and Prof. Dr. Roberto E. Barrios (professor at the University of New Orleans).

Workshop and discussion video recordings:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNZkV42gtL4&t=1821s&ab\\_channel=Anthropos](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNZkV42gtL4&t=1821s&ab_channel=Anthropos)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ru\\_QfTuUxA&t=1s&ab\\_channel=Anthropos](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ru_QfTuUxA&t=1s&ab_channel=Anthropos)

- 2020 08 31 "Anthropos" published a conversation with Jekaterina Lavrinec on her programme "Homo cultus. Human and the City."

Listen here:

<https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/irasas/2000119128/homo-cultus-zmogus-ir-miestas-kaip-antropologai-gali-prisideti-prie-teigiamu-pokyciu-siuolaikiniuose-miestuose>

- 2020 09 Sociology and anthropology student Sandra Siriūnaitytė from Vytautas Magnus University began an internship with the "Anthropos" team and became an indispensable assistant in our work. She collected a vast amount of material for the development of "Anthropos" activities!

- 2020 09 Preparation of an application for funding for "Anthropology Day" under the international call "Local Climate Justice Activism in Central and Eastern Europe." Funding was not granted.

- 2020 09 06 At the invitation of Popup.lt, we participated in the discussion "To Exchange and to Share. Is It the Same?" on the sustainable fashion discussion platform.



- 2020 09 16 We published an open letter aimed at drawing the attention of Lithuanian representatives in the European Parliament to the harmful effects of the EU-Mercosur agreement on climate change and human rights.

<https://www.facebook.com/anthropos.lt/posts/777079309754799>

- 2020 09 20 “Anthropos” introduced participants of the “Kaunas 2022. Fluxus Labas” excursion around Šančiai to ethnographic methods that can help in carrying out community initiatives.
- 2020 10 Applications were submitted to conduct workshops on globalization and ethnicity, as well as gender equality and sexuality, through the Culture Passport programme. The programme “Globalization and Ethnicity in Today’s World” was approved.
- 2020 10 22 At the invitation of the Kaunas County Public Library, we conducted training sessions to familiarize library staff with climate change discourses.
- 2020 10 29 At the invitation of the National Education Agency, we prepared and held a seminar and discussion titled “Representing Cultures: An Anthropological Perspective” for textbook authors and editors. Based on the seminar, a guideline document was prepared to help reduce stereotypical, discriminatory, and colonial-history-based representations in textbooks.

**Appeal letter:**

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BIFz9AoSIM-GzsZnHf6AT3aW0qjU2IuZLfc\\_sEXtf5Y/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1BIFz9AoSIM-GzsZnHf6AT3aW0qjU2IuZLfc_sEXtf5Y/edit)

- 2020 11 – 2020 12 Together with the Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania, Kaunas University of Technology, Copenhagen Business School, the Natural Resources Institute Finland, EIT FOOD, and LIDL, we planned and submitted the project application “Let’s Not Waste Food” and received funding from Norden!
- 2020 11 20 “Anthropos,” together with partner organizations – the Estonian Anthropological Association, the Tartu Anthropology Students’ Organization NEFA, and Jaunradēs Laboratorija – organized a meeting summarizing the activities and final works of the project “Social Science for Social Action!”
- 2020 11 Preparation and submission of an application to the Lithuanian Council for Culture to fund the project “Creative Ethics Workshops: Representing Cultures.”
- 2020 12 3-4 We conducted two remote workshops for school students in the Skuodas district on the food system and the representation of cultures.
- 2020 12 11 We delivered a public lecture about the organization’s experience and the application of anthropology to students of Vilnius University and Vytautas Magnus University.
- 2020 12 07-31 We carried out a commissioned qualitative study on private banking services. The research took place in all three Baltic states, with “Anthropos” conducting the study in Lithuania.



- 2020 11 19 In the podcast “Reikalingi,” together with VDU sociology doctoral student Renida Baltrušaitytė, we discussed the organization and the application of anthropology.

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/1ZYwqjagysKkpws8VrwcXx?si=hsH4UQ6mStm7BVawt48Yiw>

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/6Sa2SEAjrhJWNSy5NtTgTS?si=7Xnx-sxVTdOJr0Zw56hUQw>

## 2020 BUDGET:

	Likutis 2020-01-01	Gautas	2020 metai			Likutis 2020-12-31
			Bus gautas 2021 m	Panaudotas	Grąžintas	
Kauno miesto savivaldybė		1000,00		868,00	132,00	0,00
Lietuvos vartotojų institutas	2376,00	577,37		2953,37		0,00
Direktorat for internasj. Og, Fortunen NordPlus	3559,45		1466,09	5025,54		0,00
Gyventojų skirta 2 proc. paramos suma	78,73	215,68				294,41
Nario mokesčiai	65,00	40,00				105,00
Fizinių asmenų parama (pinigais)		506,30				506,30
<b>Iš viso Eur:</b>	<b>6079,18</b>	<b>2339,35</b>	<b>1466,09</b>	<b>8846,91</b>	<b>132,00</b>	<b>905,71</b>