

THE 13TH INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC-PRACTICAL CONFERENCE
ON CHANGES IN PUBLIC GOVERNANCE

**DATA-DRIVEN AND AI-ENABLED
PUBLIC GOVERNANCE**

ORGANISERS:

Excellence Network of Public Governance
Committee on State Administration and Local Authorities of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania
Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania
Faculty of Public Governance and Business of the Mykolas Romeris University
General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania

CONFERENCE VENUE: THE SEIMAS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

Plenary session (10.30 am–1 pm) – Constitution Hall, Building I
Panel A. (2 pm–5 pm) – Room 218 B, Building III
Panel B. (2 pm–5 pm) – Constitution Hall, Building I

THE WEBCAST WILL BE AVAILABLE ON

the Seimas YouTube channel *Atviras Seimas (Open Seimas)*.

10.30 am–1 pm **PLENARY SESSION.** Data-Driven and AI-Enabled Public Governance
The webcast link (in English)

2 pm–5 pm **PANEL A.** Digital Transformation and Artificial Intelligence in Public Governance: International Practices and Innovations
The webcast link (in English)

2 pm–5 pm **PANEL B.** A Data-Driven and AI-Enabled Public Sector in Lithuania: Resilience, Democracy, and Decision Quality
The webcast link (in Lithuanian)

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

13 May 2026

10–10.30 am Registration

CONSTITUTION HALL, BUILDING I

10.30 am–1 pm **PLENARY SESSION**
Data-Driven and AI-Enabled Public Governance
(in Lithuanian with interpretation into English)

Moderators:

Prof. Dr. Andrius STASIUKYNAS | Coordinator, Excellence Network of Public Governance; Director, Institute of Public Administration, Mykolas Romeris University
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vidmantė GIEDRAITYTĖ | Head, Research Group for Management of Security Institutions, General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania

10.30–10.40 am **Welcome address**

Jaroslav NARKEVIČ | Chair, Committee on State Administration and Local Authorities, Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

10.40–11.50 am **Presentations**

Prof. Dr. David SCHULTZ | Hamline University (USA), General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania (Lithuania)

Governing the Machine That Governs Us: Artificial Intelligence, Democracy, and the Future of the State

Dr. Michael STREET | Chief, Data Science & Artificial Intelligence, NATO Communications and Information Agency (NCI Agency)

AI on the battlefield: Improving decision-making while retaining trust

Prof. Dr. Marius LAURINAITIS | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Formal Transparency or Substantive Openness? The Dilemma of Opening Municipal Decision-Making Data in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

11.50 am–1 pm **DISCUSSION**

Martynas KATELYNAS | Vice-Chair, Committee on State Administration and Local Authorities, Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

Alicija ŠČERBAITĖ | Vice-Minister of the Interior, Republic of Lithuania

Vytautas MITALAS | Vice Mayor of Vilnius City Municipality

Dr. Martynas MOCKUS | State Digital Solutions Agency

Dr. Giedrius VILIŪNAS | Vice-Rector for Studies and Research, General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania

Prof. Dr. Vainius SMALSKYS | Head of Public Administration Studies, Mykolas Romeris University

1 pm–2 pm **Break**

2 pm–5 pm PRESENTATIONS AND WORK IN PANELS

2 pm–5 pm **PANEL A.**
**Digital Transformation and Artificial Intelligence in Public Governance:
International Practices and Innovations**
(in English and Ukrainian with interpretation into Lithuanian)

ROOM 218 B, BUILDING III

Moderators:

Prof. Dr. Vainius SMALSKYS | Head of Public Administration Studies, Mykolas Romeris University

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vidmantė GIEDRAITYTĖ | Head, Research Group for Management of Security Institutions, General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania

PRESENTATIONS:

Prof. hab. Dr. Robert GAWŁOWSKI | WSB Merito University in Toruń (Poland)

The legal and organisational framework for the application of artificial intelligence in public administration in Poland

Prof. Dr. Svitlana KHADZHYRADIEVA | State University of Intelligent Technologies and Telecommunications (Ukraine)

Cyberhate in the Context of Contemporary Information Warfare

Assist. Prof. Dr. Igor TKACHENKO | Educational and Scientific Institute of Public Administration and Civil Service of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (Ukraine)

Wartime institutional resilience and AI-Enabled Public Governance: Lessons from Ukraine

Prof. Dr. Tetiana BEZVERKHNIUK | State University of Intellectual Technologies and Communication (Ukraine)

Strategic communications to ensure the synchronization of the programs and projects of the post-war recovery plan of Ukraine

Dr. Yurii BABICH, Prof. Dr. Matin HADZHYIEV, Liudmyla BUKATA, Nelli ISMAILOVA | State University of Intelligent Technologies and Telecommunications (Ukraine)

Enhanced consortium blockchain for an intelligent transport system

Oleh KUNITSYN | Simon Kuznets Kharkiv National University of Economics (Ukraine)

4F Index for measuring financial resilience of territorial communities and building strategies under wartime conditions

PhD Research Scholar Zakarya FARAHMAND | Punjabi University Patiala (India)

UNDP's Strategic Positioning in Afghanistan Post-2021: An Institutional and Policy Analysis Based on the Strategic Plan 2022-2025

Lect. Dmytro STELIA | State University of Intellectual Technologies and Telecommunications (Ukraine)

Using AI to optimize computation algorithms in scientific research

Andrii SACHENKO | Petro Mohyla Black Sea National University (Ukraine)

Building water management in the Mykolaiv region: the path from centralization to the basin principle

DISCUSSION

2 pm–5 pm

PANEL B.

**A Data-Driven and AI-Enabled Public Sector in Lithuania:
Resilience, Democracy, and Decision Quality**

(in Lithuanian)

CONSTITUTION HALL, BUILDING I

Moderators:

Dr. Justinas STALIŪNAS | Lecturer, Institute of Public Administration, Mykolas Romeris University

Svajūnė UNGURYTĖ-RAGAUSKIENĖ | Lecturer, Research Group for Management of Security Institutions, General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania

Presentations:

Dr. Martynas MOCKUS | State Digital Solutions Agency (Lithuania)

Quo vadis, Lithuania? Strengthening digital sovereignty through data governance in the public sector

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rita TOLEIKIENĖ, Prof. Dr. Ilona BARTUŠEVIČIENĖ,
Prof. Dr. Mindaugas BUTKUS** | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vita JUKNEVIČIENĖ | Vilnius University (Lithuania)

Strengthening municipal resilience to crises by enabling digital governance: insights and recommendations from the DIGIRES study

Aistė GRIŠKONYTĖ-JASINSKĖ | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Practical aspects of co-creation in public environmental governance in Lithuania: opportunities for citizen engagement and the reserve of trust in democracy

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tomas VEDLŪGA | General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania (Lithuania)

The role of artificial intelligence in data-driven Public Governance: experiences of the Baltic states

Lilijana MEDELYTĖ | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Implementation of artificial intelligence systems in the public sector: the experience of the Office of the Seimas and preconditions for organizational transformation

Monika BUKAUSKAITĖ | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Cybersecurity as a strategic precondition for AI-Enabled Public Governance

Prof. Dr. Algirdas ASTRAUSKAS | Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania)

Should a municipal council in Lithuania have an official majority leader and what could be the potential impact on the quality of local politics?

Svajūnė UNGURYTĖ-RAGAUSKIENĖ, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rolanda KAZLAUSKAITĖ-MARKELIENĖ, | General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania (Lithuania)

The use of artificial intelligence between declaration and practice: the case of cadets

Prof. Dr. Alvydas ŠAKOČIUS | General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania (Lithuania)

Modeling lawfare threats and responses using AI tools in defense-oriented master's studies

DISCUSSION