

LITAUEN

Minister of Education, Science and Sport

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Gintautas JAKŠTAS

Born on 28th May 1990 in Plungė

Education

From 2006 to 2008, he studied at the Saulės Gymnasium in Plungė. In 2012, he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Econometrics from the Vilnius University. In 2014, he received a Master's degree in Financial and Insurance Mathematics from the Tilburg University.

Work experience

From 2012 to 2013, he worked at Statistics Lithuania as Senior Specialist in the Pricing Division.

From 2015 to 2016, he worked at Ab Lietuvos draudimas as Pricing Expert.

From 2015 to 2016, he worked as a Policy Analyst at the Government Strategic Centre.

From 2016 to 2020, he served as Head of the Study Policy and Career Analysis Unit at the Government Strategic Analysis Centre.

From 21st December 2020 to 4th July 2023, he served as Deputy Minister of Education, Science and Sports, with responsibility for studies and science.

On 4th July 2023, he was appointed Minister of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania.

Other work experience

Freelance education expert since 2018. Worked on analysis and recommendations on how best to assess students for the National Education Agency in 2020, the European Skills Index Review for the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Education and Training (CEDEFOP), the European Commission's recommendations for Hungary's adult education in 2018-2019, and the recommendations of the Twinning Project for Azerbaijan's education in 2018. Participated in national and international (OECD and European Commission) expert and working groups.