

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
FOR COLLABORATION ON LITHUANIAN AGRICULTURE PROMOTION IN JAPAN  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA AND  
JAPAN LITHUANIA EXCHANGE CENTER**

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The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania and Japan Lithuania Exchange Center (JLEC) (hereinafter referred to as the Parties),

With a purpose to foster friendly cooperation and enhance collaboration in the field of agriculture between Lithuania and Japan,

Declaring the intention to intensify collaboration between the two Parties of the Memorandum,

Aiming to expand economic, scientific and technical cooperation in the field of agriculture, as well as in the area of agri-food industry,

Considering multiannual and successful activity of the JLEC in the field of Lithuanian business and ongoing cooperation on promoting agri-food products in Japan,

Have reached the following understanding:

**Article 1**

1. The Parties shall develop cooperation in the field of agriculture by their competences, taking into consideration the priorities and interests of both sides.
2. The Parties shall, within the scope of their competences, facilitate the establishment of relations between Lithuanian business and Prefectures and Municipalities of Japan, enterprises, and organisations engaged in the agri-food industry.

**Article 2**

The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Lithuania, to achieve effective collaboration to facilitate and promote cooperation in the area of agriculture, will fully support JLEC by various means (including financial when needed) in the following activities in Japan:

1. Intensify bilateral Lithuanian-Japanese relations by organising agricultural business events in Japan to promote Lithuanian agri-food sector;
2. Finding and establishing business contacts between Lithuanian and Japanese agricultural business entities;
3. Support Lithuanian agricultural sector in national and local exhibitions or trade shows;
4. Support the Ministry of Agriculture delegations with the assistance on organizing visits to Japan Prefectures and Municipalities;
5. Promote on other activities related to the agricultural sectors that Parties agreed.

### Article 3

Each Party shall cover its expenses, related to the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding unless the Parties have agreed otherwise.

### Article 4

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time by the agreement between the Parties. The amendments shall enter into force with the same procedures specified in Article 5.

### Article 5

1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall be valid for five (5) years and shall enter into force on the date of signature.

2. The implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be automatically extended for successive periods of five (5) years unless denounced in writing by either Party at least six (6) months before the expiration of this initial period of validity.

3. The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not affect any programmes undertaken before the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties.

Done in the Embassy of Lithuania to Japan on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2019, In Tokyo, Japan, in the English language.

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