Lithuanian documentaries on the Internet

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- started on May, 2010
- the support of about 2.7 million Euros from EU Structural Funds
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The preservation of Lithuanian documentary heritage by digitization and its accessibility via the Internet
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- 8,600 titles of Lithuanian films
- The number of films stored in the Archive constantly grows
- Archival films show the development of Lithuanian cinema since the second decade of the XX century till nowadays
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- Poor film tapes condition – difficult to screen old films
- Few people can visit the Archives and use its documents during working hours
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- What films should we digitize and make accessible via the Internet
- The publication of films can be restricted by the copyright laws
- Public domain - after 50 years from the production of films
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- Digitize and transfer to the Internet 1,000 titles of Lithuanian documentaries, created in 1919-1961
- The collection of Lithuanian chronicles from 1919-1940, newsreels from German occupation time, the documentaries created in Lithuanian Film Studio and Lithuanian Television in 1946-1961, the newsreels „Soviet Lithuania“ and „Lithuanian Pioneer“
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- Oriented towards the researchers as well as the broader general public
- Film watching – some kind of leisure spending form
- The digitization will safeguard the unique films content
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The end of 2010 – the new equipment for film tapes preparation to digitization
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- Implemented in Lithuania for the first time
- Prepared all 1000 titles for the digitization by now
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- The beginning of 2011 – the new digital storage facilities
- The equipment for digital storage and Internet access
- Equiped with modern air conditioning, fire extinction and monitoring systems
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- May 2011 – the new equipment for films digitization
- Film digitization equipment is the only one in Lithuania and Baltic States
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- The part of Lithuanian documentaries heritage will be in the virtual space
- Digital content will cover about 250 TB – it would be 22 millions of high resolution photos
- The possibility to search digitized films and their metadata in Lithuanian and English, to watch these films or to order digital films copies
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- The implementation of the project will not end as we planned
- The Internet website www.e-kinas.lt is already created
- 100 titles of films with their descriptions in Lithuanian and English
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Thank You for the attention!

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