APPLICATION FORM

LIBRARY DATA Library name: Klaipėda County I. Simonaitytė Public Library Address: H. Manto str. 25 City: Klaipėda, LT-92234 **Country:** Lithuania **Phone:** +370 46 412 530 Webpage url: www.klavb.lt Contact 2.0: Facebook page, Blog's url, etc. https://www.facebook.com/simonaitytesbiblioteka?fref=ts Contact person: Toma Gergelienė **Title:** Methodologist for projects E-mail Address: t.gergeliene@klavb.lt LIBRARY DESCRIPTION Please, mark the characteristics of your library (mark all those appropriate): Metropolitan library Rural library Library service with branch libraries Mobile library X Children and Young Adults Library Library with less than 1,000 inhabitants Library between 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants Library between 5,000 and 10,000 inhabitants Library between 10,000 and 20,000 inhabitants Library between 20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants

	Library between 30,000 and 100,000 inhabitants	
	Library between 100,000 and 200,000 inhabitants	
	Library between 200,000 and 500,000 inhabitants	
	Library with more than 500,000 inhabitants	
MORE INFORMATION		

Please, tell us a bit more about your library, pictures are also welcome:

Short description: A new building of I. Simonaitytė library was built in 2006, the library is becoming one of the most significant cultural centres not only in Lithuania, but also in the entire Lithuania in all respects: beautiful palace, modern information technologies providing connection with the entire world, rich book funds, relevant exhibitions, conferences, welcoming of new books, concerts, performances and competitions. Klaipeda County Ieva Simonaityte Public Library serves as a center of information research and the provider of educational and leisure activities. The Library carries out functions of the Regional methodological center and provides methodological assistance for 11 centralized systems of Municipal Public Libraries. The priority is to satisfy users' and visitors' educational, cultural and information research needs. The Library offers exhibitions and other cultural events that are open for all visitors. After About 400 different events are held in the library per year, 200 out of which are exhibitions. All kinds of art are loved in the palace: literature, music, art, poetry, photo art, educational activities.

The library provides the following electronic services: book ordering, interlibrary loan, reservation, extension of a term of keeping a book etc. The library provides access to local and international databases, licensed in Lithuanian public libraries. The library organize various training activities, excursions round the library, volunteers activities, new books presentations, lectures, modern art exhibitions, cultural performances, after school programs, programs for reader development, projects and etc. Every year library arranging 10 or more projects to children, adult and old people, inside and outside of the library activities for various age people. Moreover, library has Open space for youth. Mission of the space is to provide meaningful activities and

safe leisure opportunities for self-realization 14-29 years old young people and to facilitate their integration into the living environment. A cozy place to read books, listen to music, watch movies, concerts, to watch information cognitive shows, have events and other activities.

Attractive and ergonomic environment of the library optimally adapted to the visitors' needs allows them to feel comfortable, cosy and exceptional. The spacious library houses not only five reading rooms, open book funds for adults and children, but also facilities for cosy rest, aesthetic premises for visual and verbal events, two cosy courtyards. The library has Event and Conference Halls and Gerlach's Attic, where a permanent maritime heritage exposition is installed, a modern training room. There is a café and a bookshop operating in the former office.

<u>Current library programs:</u> continuous series of events: Book fairy, Spring of poetry, Family days, Christmas of books, Nacional library week; projects: Literary buffet, Traveling library, Green library, Region heritage guide, Modern senior citizen.

Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:

cooporation in projects (between libraries and EU), activities for children and adult users. Also exchanging the staff, information, ideas, activity posibilities,

Languages your staff speaks:

English, Russian, Polish, German

Languages users speak/read:

English, Russian, Polish, German

Please, tell us a bit about the features of the library that ideally you woull like to cooperate with: modern, open and creative public library with interesting projects, ideas an activities. Also to exchange professional information between staff, ideas, strategies, projects and all related information.			
EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMS			
Please, indicate if you are searching partners in other countries for any European Union project:			
YES NO			
If yes, for which projects?: All			
Please, indicate if you are participating in any European Union program:			
YES NO			

Preferred countries for cooperation:

All