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The Cooperation between State and Business Agencies in Pursuing Cultural Heritage Digitisation Projects in Science and Memory Institutions. Lithuanian Art Museum, Vilnius (Lithuania), November 10, 2010

Lithuanian Museums' Centre for Information, Digitisation and LIMIS at the Lithuanian Art Museum held an academic conference for professionals working at state institutions and business companies to discuss their cooperation in the field of cultural heritage digitisation in science and memory institutions.

The event was attended by the representatives of memory and science institutions (Department of Cultural Heritage under the Ministry of Culture, Martynas Mažvydas National Library of Lithuania, Lithuanian Art Museum, Office of the Chief Archivist of Lithuania, Vilnius University) as well as business companies (JSC "Alna", JSC "Sintagma") who presented their joint projects in cultural heritage digitisation. The digitised heritage of the grea-

test value from Lithuanian libraries, archives and museums is available on the national portal of Lithuanian cultural heritage "ePaveldas" (www.paveldas.lt). The Information System of Lithuanistic Heritage "Aruodai"

(www.aruodai.lt) presents data from archaeology, history, linguistics, folkloristics, and ethnology. The now-under-construction Lithuanian Integral Museum Information System will provide information about the digitised exhibits of Lithuanian museums. The National Library of Lithuania is developing together with partners the joint thesaurus of Lithuanian geographical names, personal names and historical chronology (BAVIC) which will target the needs of archives, libraries and museums.

The participants in the conference agreed that cooperation between memory institutions and private companies is of crucial importance. Among many others, the fields in which united efforts should be invested are the development and application of standards, the creation of thesauri, etc.

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