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Experience: Founder and Managing Director, ODW Consulting, 2014-

Managed many projects internationally related to improving capacity of statistical agencies worldwide. Examples are support of the Statistical Agency of Russian Federation in calculating the SDG indicators; improving capabilities of Agency of Statistics of Tajikistan in strategic planning and developing capacities to improve statistics at local levels; support Statistical Service of Armenia in bringing current methods of strategic planning and introducing the SDMX in data submission process, and many others.

<u>Co-founder, Managing Director and Director of Operations</u>, Open Data Watch, 2013 -2018

President International Association of Official Statistics 2021-2023

Founding Director, Board Member, and Board Chair, Open Data Watch, 2018 -

Fellow, Center for Social and Economic Research (CASE), October 2012 -

<u>Senior Advisor/Consultant</u>, PROGNOZ Inc, a software development and consulting company, January 2011 – June 2013

<u>Chair International Advisory Panel</u> on Statistical Education, Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation, 2011-2017

<u>Project leader, Eurostat, Establishment of Purchasing Power Parities for EU staff</u> subsistence adjustments, November 2020 – December 2022.

Senior Adviser/Consultant, World Bank, November 2017 -

Consultant, African Center for Statistics, UN ECA, March 2017 – April 2018

Consultant, Statistics Division, UN FAO, November 2012 – July 2013

Senior Advisor/Consultant, Development Data Group, The World Bank,

November 2010- June 2012, July 2013-June 2015

<u>Consultant</u>, Statistics Department, African Development Bank, September-December 2011

Manager, Development Data Group, The World Bank. July 2004-November 2010

Served as leader of International Statistical Programs Cluster in the Department Led the efforts on statistical capacity building at the Bank.

Served as program manager for STATCAP lending program, loan and grant based projects. Developed templates for Strategic master plans which became integral part to the Project Appraisal Documents for statistical projects. Served as TTL / Project Manager or supervised TTLs for lending projects in many countries such as Russia, Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Ukraine, India and others. Brought STATCAP lending program and numerous operations to the Board. Participated and/or oversaw preparation of numerous ISR's and ICR's.

Managed and oversaw management of trust funds for Statistical Capacity Building, International Comparison Program, System of National Accounts updating, Statistics for Results Catalytic Fund and others.

Worked with donors fundraising money for the trust funds.

Oversaw management of programs funded by the Development Grant Facility Oversaw the International Comparison Program

Oversaw and served in the reference groups for the evaluation of Paris 21, Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building, Marrakesh Action Plan for Statistics. Headed evaluation groups to evaluate Word Bank and IMF TA in the framework of GDDS in Africa

Represented the Bank in many international forums.

Supervised and mentored staff

Supported the Director in managing the departmental budget.

<u>Cluster Leader</u>, Statistical Capacity Building and Macro and Financial Data Clusters, Development Data Group, The World Bank. August 2003 – July 2004 Led the efforts on statistical capacity building at the Bank.

Served as task manager for loan and grant based projects in several countries.

Managed trust funds on Statistical Capacity Building and ICP

Supervised the International Comparison Program

Represented the Bank in many international forums.

Supervised and mentored staff of the clusters

<u>Team Leader</u>, Technical Assistance in Statistics Team, Development Data Group, The World Bank. January 1999 – August 2003

Led the efforts on statistical capacity building at the Bank.

Served as task manager for loan and grant based projects in several countries.

Managed trust fund on Statistical Capacity Building

Supervised the staff of the TAS team.

Senior Statistician, Statistical Advisory Services, Development Data Group, The World Bank. March 1996 - January 1999

Organized data gathering from national Statistical offices of ECA countries for The World Bank.

Lead the efforts on technical assistance in statistics at the Bank.

Served as task manager for loan and grant based projects in several countries.

Statistical Adviser, Europe and Central Asia Country Departments III and IV (EC3/C4), The World Bank. May 1992 - March 1996.

Organized data gathering from national Statistical offices.

Developed databases on the countries of the Former Soviet Union

Published an annual statistical handbook on the FSU states and other publications.

Furnished technical assistance to the statistical offices in the FSU countries.

Supervised the staff of the Statistical Unit.

<u>Director</u>, Former Centrally Planned Economies Service, THE WEFA GROUP. October 1990 - May 1992.

Forecasted the economic developments of the Eastern and Central European countries, and the Former Soviet Union.

Consulted clients on the recent and possible future developments in the countries.

Participated in special projects for the clients.

Supervised the staff of the service.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Economics, Georgetown University.

January 1990 - December 1995.

Taught courses on Soviet regional economics, problems of Soviet type economies and comparative statistical systems.

Consultant, Center for International Research, Bureau of the Census, U.S.

Department of Commerce.

February 1988 - October 1990.

Estimated the GNP of the Soviet Union.

Developed input-output models.

Estimated macro indicators for the Soviet republics.

<u>Head of Consulting Group</u>, Department of Mathematical Economics, Vilnius State University.

1983-87.

Led a team of 20 researchers.

Developed econometric models to forecast the growth of cities for local governments.

Developed input-output models to forecast the performance of the regional economies.

Applied econometric models for planning purposes.

Associate Professor and Deputy Chairman, Department of Mathematical Economics, Vilnius State University.

1977-83.

Supervised staff of department.

Taught courses on input-output analysis, linear programming, mathematical models in economics and economic planning, and regional economics. Developed models to forecast regional budgets.

<u>Assistant Professor</u>, Department of Mathematical Economics, Vilnius State University. 1971-73.

Taught courses on input-output analysis and linear programming.

**Education:** Accredited Associate Professor in Mathematical Economics, 1982. Ph.D. in ECONOMICS. Central Economic-Mathematical Institute of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, Moscow, 1977. MA in MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS. Vilnius State University, Vilnius, 1971.

**Honorary Doctor** of the Institute of Economy and Forecasting of the Academy of Science of Ukraine, December 2010

Professional organizations: American Economic Association; American Statistical Association, American Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, American Association for Baltic Studies, International Input-Output Association, fellow Royal Statistical Society, elected member of the International Statistical Institute, ISI Council Member (2015-2019), Member of ISI Advisory Board on Ethics, Member of ISI Statistical Capacity Building Committee, President Elect, International Association of Official Statistics (2019-2021), IAOS President (2021-2023), member Cosmos Club.

**Languages:** Lithuanian - native. Fluent in Russian, Polish and English.

**Personal:** Born July 17, 1948, in Alsedziai, Lithuania, married, excellent health. Lithuanian and US Citizen.

**Publications:** List of publications upon request.

Conferences and meetings: Participated in several hundred conferences of relevant professional organizations. Participated in the UN Statistical Commission, Conference of European Statisticians and its Bureau, Statistical Committee of OECD, and its Bureau, Statcom Africa, Consortia and Steering Committee Meetings of Paris 21, conferences of International Statistical Institute, International Association of Official Statistics, American Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies, ASA and AEA meetings, UN World Data Forums, and others. In most of the meetings presented papers, served as discussant, or chaired sessions.