

<i>Full name of Association, when and by whom founded:</i>	
Kaunas Regional Association of Small and Medium Enterprises founded in January 1997 by Laima Mogeniene	
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<i>Membership (number) and information on regional/local divisions:</i>	
The Association represents more than 350 SMEs in Lithuania with branches in four cities and is the coordinating body for the Lithuanian SME Cooperation Network.	
<i>Aims and objectives:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To create favourable economic, financial and cultural conditions for small and medium-sized enterprises • To promote participation of business people in the political decision making process, especially in initiating amendments that effect businesses positively • To fight corruption, bureaucracy and organised crime • To promote and ensure gender equality in the business society and all business related spheres 	
<i>Profile of Activities and highlights (please use bullet points):</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of a 'business people house', a center to support SMEs that provides all needed services for doing business (eg training, consultations, access to internet etc) • Lobbying and representing interests of SMEs at a national and local level • Facilitating co-operation between local and foreign companies • Holding 'Public Hearings' that include wide discussions on actual business issues 	
<i>Cooperation with associations in other countries:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polish-Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce • Maerlardallens Kwinno Lobby • Microfinance Centre for the Eastern European and New Independent States, Sweden • 'Vital Voices', U.S.A 	