



Lithuanian Diplomatic Playbook

11–18 January 2016

Key Lithuanian Foreign Policy messages of the week. All materials included are public.
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Story of the Week

Lithuania marks
25th anniversary of
Freedom Defenders' Day

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Key messages:

- The struggle of unarmed people against the Soviet military aggression in January 1991 has changed the course of history for Lithuania and the region and it helped to speed the collapse of the Soviet empire. Lithuania will continue to strengthen the freedom defended by its people.
- In order to effectively respond to security challenges, Euro-Atlantic community needs unity & joint actions. NATO adaptation should be focused on returning to the collective defence and credible deterrence.
- The introduction of euro in 2015 helped to strengthen business confidence in Lithuania.

Top lines, statements

Freedom Defenders' Day:

- 25th anniversary of the events of 13 January 1991 was marked at the meeting of the defenders of freedom (*12 January, 2016*) [Read full news release](#)
 - FM Linkevičius: 'Lithuania's diplomatic service will continue to strengthen freedom that was defended by the people of Lithuania' (*13 January, 2016*) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania's Foreign Minister thanked Ukrainians who defended Lithuania's freedom (*13 January, 2016*) [Read full news release](#)
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Security and Defence:

- International experience for security challenges (14 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania and the United States discussed important items on regional security agenda (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - NATO Deputy Secretary General is awarded Lithuanian Diplomacy Star, (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania and Poland will continue and step up bilateral defence cooperation (12 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - New rotation of U.S. troops deploys to Lithuania (12 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
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Bilateral relations, Regional cooperation:

- Lithuanian Foreign Minister and the United Kingdom's Minister of State for Europe discussed security and EU reforms (14 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Representatives of Lithuanian and Turkish Foreign Ministries discussed foreign policy issues and security challenges (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuanian and Romanian Foreign Ministers discussed bilateral cooperation, Eastern Partnership and security policy (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuanian and Slovakian Foreign Ministers discussed bilateral and regional cooperation, the region's security environment (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
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Economy:

- Minister for the Economy Evaldas Gustas: EUR 10 million will be allocated to attract foreign investors (11 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuanian laser producers had successful year in 2015 (15 January, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
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Media

- Lithuania marks 25th anniversary of Soviet crackdown, *The Washington Post* (13 January, 2016) [Read full article](#)
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