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EUROPEAN BANKING LICENSE

LITHUANIAN
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Prestigious pan-European banking license opening world's biggest single financial market of European Union and European Economic Area. Lithuanian Specialised Bank license issued by the European Central Bank through the Bank of Lithuania (Lithuanian central bank and financial regulator). License opens all EU/EEA banking and financial markets at significantly lower incorporation and operational costs.

1 000 000 eur
MINIMAL CAPITAL
REQUIREMENT

**LICENSE
FOR ALL
EU/EEA AREA**

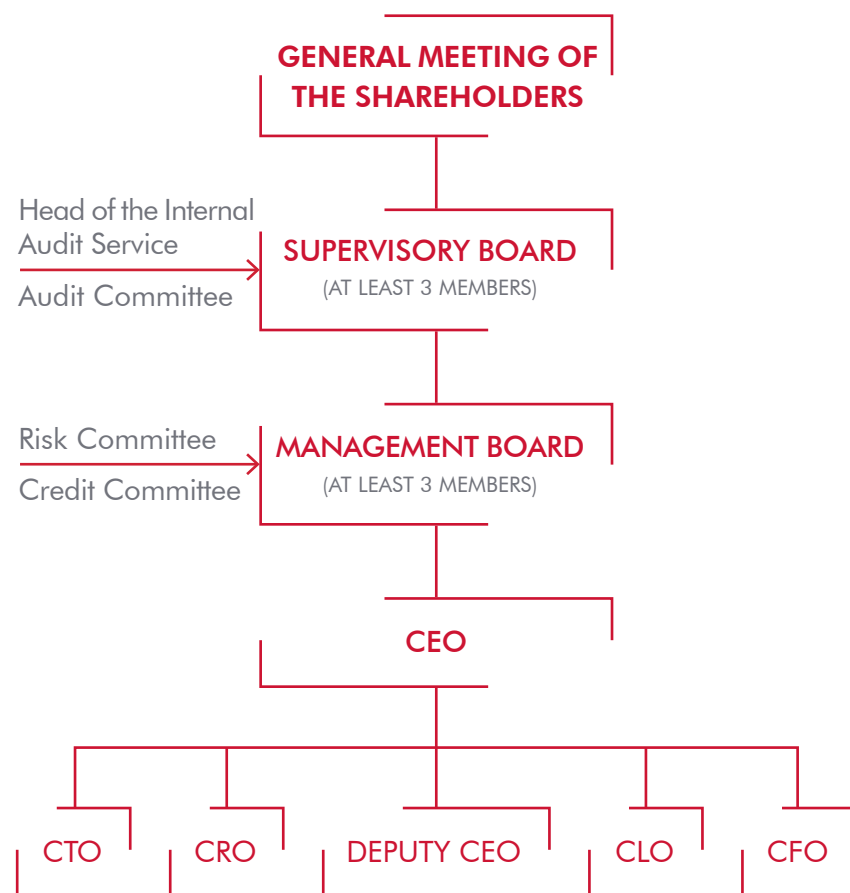
Banking services provided by Specialised Bank:

- Lending
- Payment services
- Receipt of deposits
- Currency exchange
- Issuing of e-money
- Issuing guarantees
- Fund administration
- Financial leasing
- Financial intermediation
- Creditworthiness assessment services
- Safe-deposit box rental
- and all other traditional banking services

Specialised Bank is only restricted to provide:

- Investment or pension fund management
- Securities brokerage
- Investment advice
- and other investment management related services

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE SPECIALISED BANK



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND KEY FUNCTION HOLDERS

- Managers of the Specialised Bank must have high reputation, the qualification and experience allowing them to perform their duties properly.
- Specialised Bank can start business activities having **10 management employees** including supervisory and management board members. There is no requirement for all supervisory and management board members to reside in Lithuania. Nevertheless, **at least one** head of the bank's administration must be in Lithuania and speak Lithuanian.
- **Brief description of the management structure:**
 - / Supervisory Board (**at least 3** members)
 - / Management Board (**at least 3** members)
 - / CEO and Deputy CEO (**2**, can be the members of the Management Board)
 - / Head of the Internal Audit Service (**1**, can be a member of the Supervisory Board)
 - / Audit Committee (can be a members of the Supervisory Board)
 - / Risk Committee (can be a members of the Supervisory Board)
 - / Credit Committee (can be a members of the Management Board)
 - / CTO – Chief Technical Officer (**1**)
 - / CRO – Chief Risk Officer (**1** can be a member of the Management Board)
 - / CLO – Chief Legal Officer/Compliance officer (**1**)
 - / CFO – Chief Financial Officer (**1** can be a member of the Management Board)

LITHUANIA IS ONE OF THE BEST EU/EEA BANKING JURISDICTION



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REASONS WHY

Fast licensing process.

Minimal capital requirement – **EUR 1 mill.**

Direct access to all **EU/EEA banking market** and Single Euro Payments Area (**SEPA**).

Deposits up to the amount of **EUR 100 000** insured according to EU Deposit Insurance Scheme.

Remote client verification allowing identification of the client without physical presence.

No requirement for all top managers and board members to be Lithuanian/European residents.

Special residence permits of all Schengen zone for the citizens of non-EU/EEA countries.

Licensing documentation can be submitted **in English**.

LICENSING PROCESS

We encourage all prospective applicants to contact us as early as possible in their planning process so that we can discuss and help assess their proposed operating plans. This allows us to be clearer in explaining the authorisation process and its meaning, our requests, requirements, expectations and all other major aspects that may affect the authorisation process.

01



Assessment of the business plan and shareholder structure.

Preliminary assessment of Applicant's business model and shareholder/UBO structure by ECOVIS. Recommendations and advice on the improvement of the business model usually provided at this stage.

02



Pre-application. Preparation of the presentation and preliminary presentation of Applicant's shareholder structure and business model to the Bank of Lithuania. Information presented in the form of questionnaires and the presentation. Meeting between the officials from the Bank of Lithuania and Applicant usually organized. Result of the Pre-application is preliminary regulatory feedback regarding the licensing perspectives. Pre-application stage also includes submission of your documentation to the Investors Assessment Commission.

03



Submission of an application to the Bank of Lithuania.

Submission of the licensing documentation to the Bank of Lithuania and official acceptance of the application for consideration.

04



Assessment of an application and licensing documentation.

Bank of Lithuania starts assessment procedure and transfers documentation to the European Central Bank (ECB). Both Bank of Lithuania and ECB in parallel assess the application. Regulatory questions, comments and requests to submit additional information usually provided.

05



Licensing decision. After the assessment application the Bank of Lithuania provides recommendations and submits them to the ECB. Final decision regarding the grant of the license taken by the ECB.

MAIN DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED FOR APPLICATION FOR THE SPECIALISED BANK LICENSE

01 ___

Draft incorporation documentation.

02 ___

A programme of operations (based on the business plan and information from the client).

03 ___

Documents proving formation of the capital.

04 ___

A description of the internal control system, internal audit, AML prevention, compliance, hiring, outsourcing, managing conflicts of interests, rules of accepting deposits, crediting policy and procedures, creditworthiness assessment rules, complaint handling etc.

05 ___

An operating plan for next 3 years with financial forecasts.

06 ___

Descriptions of management systems, risk management, IT systems and policies; accounting system and accounting policies.

07 ___

Organizational structure profile.

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Data on financial institutions managers, shareholders, information regarding their experience and impeccable repute.

REGULATORY COSTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

LICENSE FEE

4 157 eur

SUPERVISION FEE

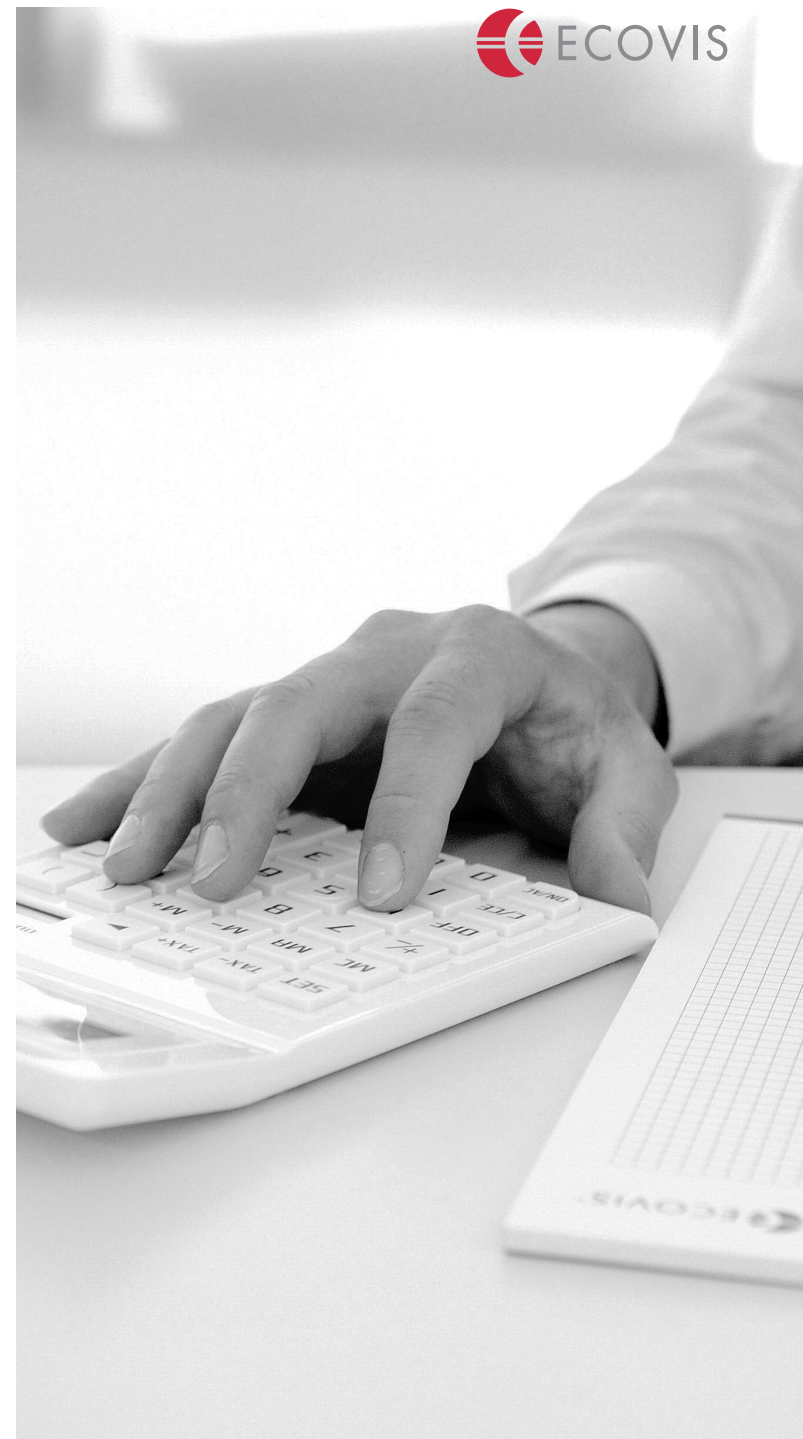
Approved every year, **0,0196 %** from the average annual assets.

DEPOSIT INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION

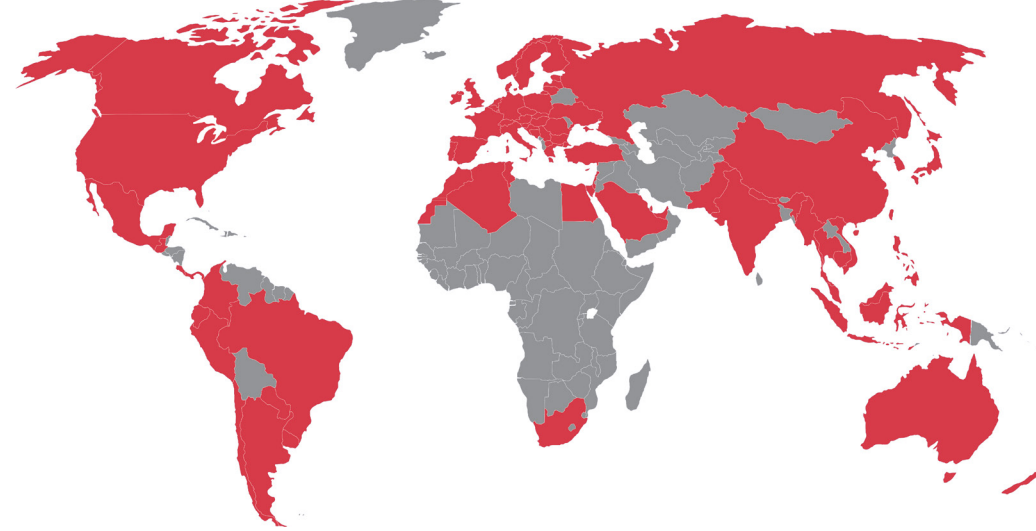
Currently **0.1 %** from the total annual amount of insured deposits.
 Highest possible annual amount fixed in the law **0,5 per cent** from the total amount of insured deposits held.

CONTRIBUTION TO RESOLUTION FUND

Contributions to the Resolution Fund and contributions for administration of the fund.



ECOVIS – LEADING FINANCIAL LICENSING ADVISOR



ECOVIS International is a leading global consulting network bringing together more than 7500 professionals in over 80 countries worldwide. ECOVIS ProventusLaw lawyers and ECOVIS Proventus auditors are Lithuanian member firms of ECOVIS International.

Currently ECOVIS is the most experienced financial licensing advisor in Lithuania. The firm has successfully advised more than 35 companies getting different financial licenses in Lithuania for their pan-European business.

ECOVIS ProventusLaw ranked by IFLR1000 in Banking and Finance and by Chambers and Partners in Fintech. Head of financial institutions practice group Inga Karulaityte is ranked as highly regarded lawyer by IFLR1000 and recommended by LEGAL500 in Banking and Finance. Inga Karulaityte and Loreta Andziulyte are ranked by Chambers and Partners in Fintech.

ECOVIS handle all the licensing processes, from the preparation of documentation in client's home country, until the submission of whole licensing package to the regulator and communication with the regulator.

Deep local knowledge and international expertise of the interdisciplinary network of ECOVIS professionals makes ECOVIS different from other licensing service providers.



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ECOVIS LICENSING TEAM TASKS DISTRIBUTION

COVERING BOTH

Legal – Regulatory and
Financial – Business
plan parts of the
licensing process.



Attorneys-at-law Members of the Bar Association

LEGAL AND REGULATORY PART

- Preparation of the licensing documentation
- Representation at the Bank of Lithuania (Regulator)
- Shareholders and management clearance
- Trademark registration and company incorporation
- AML and compliance
- Internal documentation and policies
- Organizational structure
- Coordination of licensing process
- Personal data protection



Certified auditors Banking consultants

FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS PLAN PART

- Internal audit and financial control procedures
- Financial forecasts and projections
- Accounting policies and descriptions
- Software and IT systems
- Programme of operations



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