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ecoRIS3 Innovation through the Pandemic: Challenges and Opportunities for Innovative Ecosystems

Lithuanian response to the COVID-19 crisis



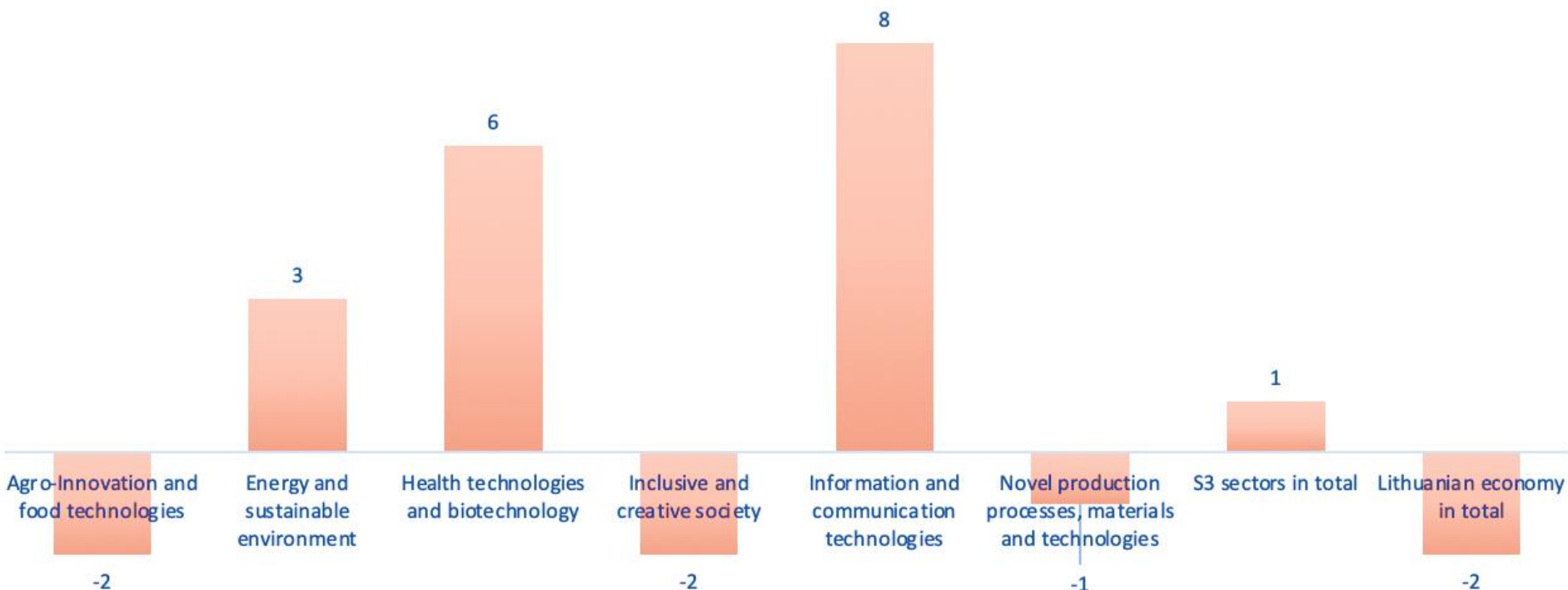
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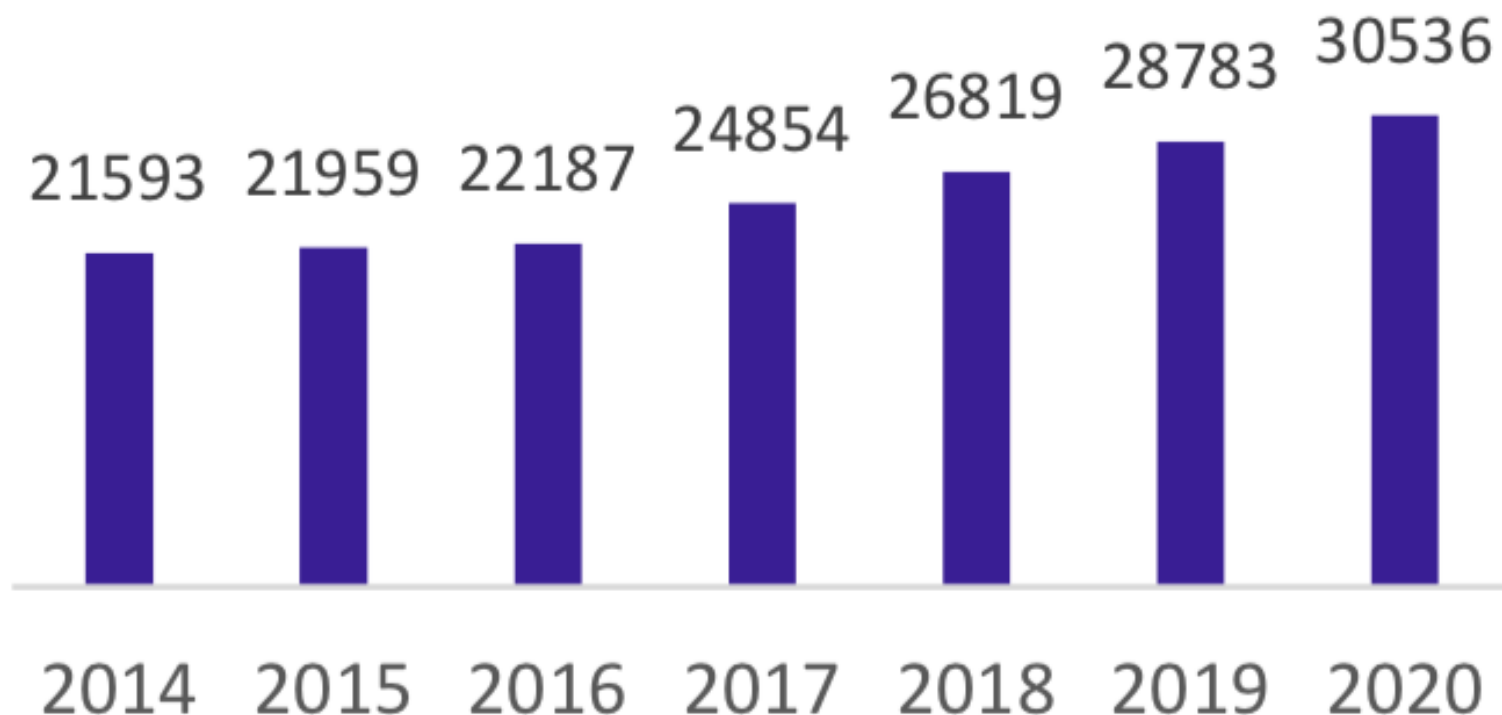
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Employment changes during COVID19



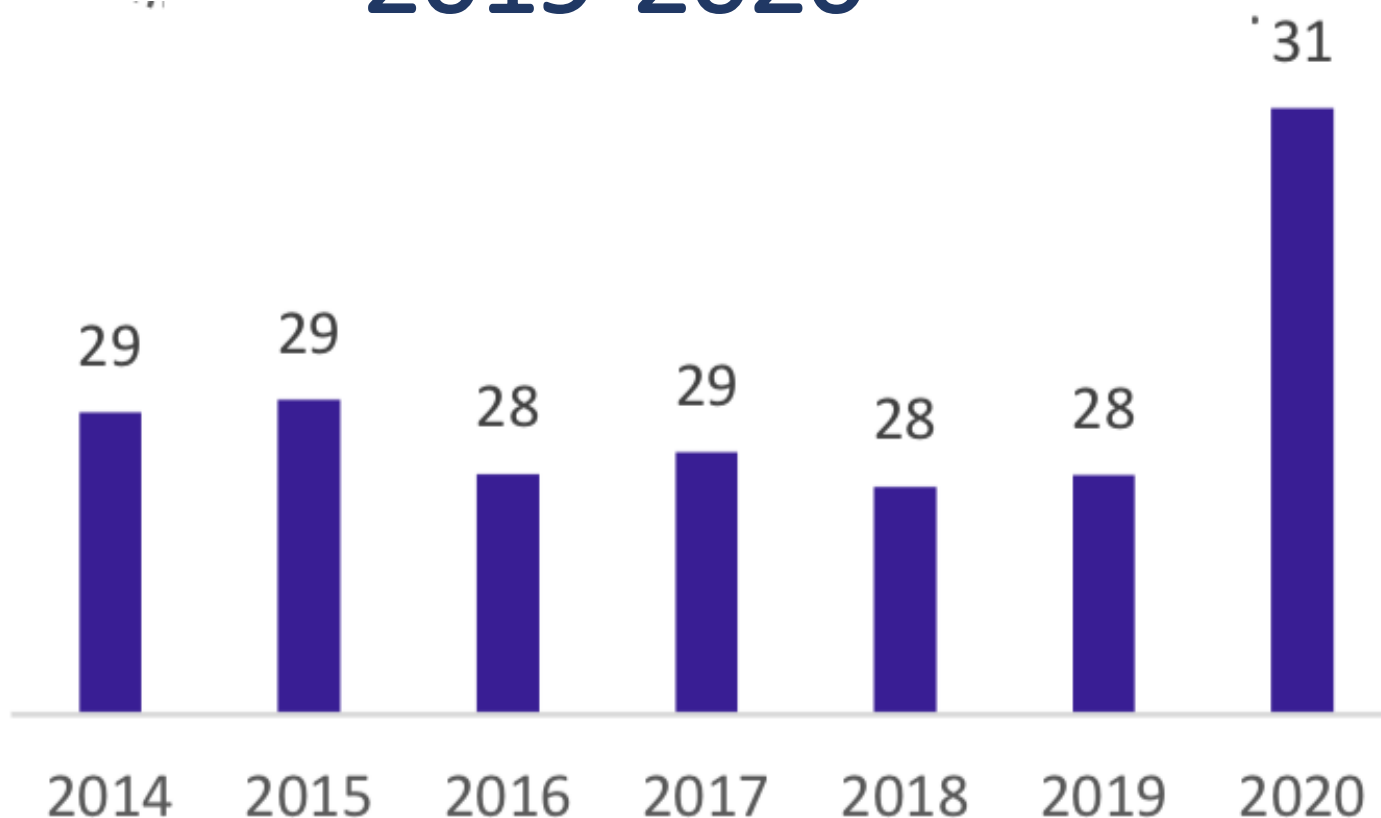
Change in private sector employment by sectors of S3 in %, 2019-2020. Strata, 2021

S3 turnover recovery during 2019-2020



Turnover of S3 sectors in M EUR. Strata, 2021

S3 share in LT economy during 2019-2020

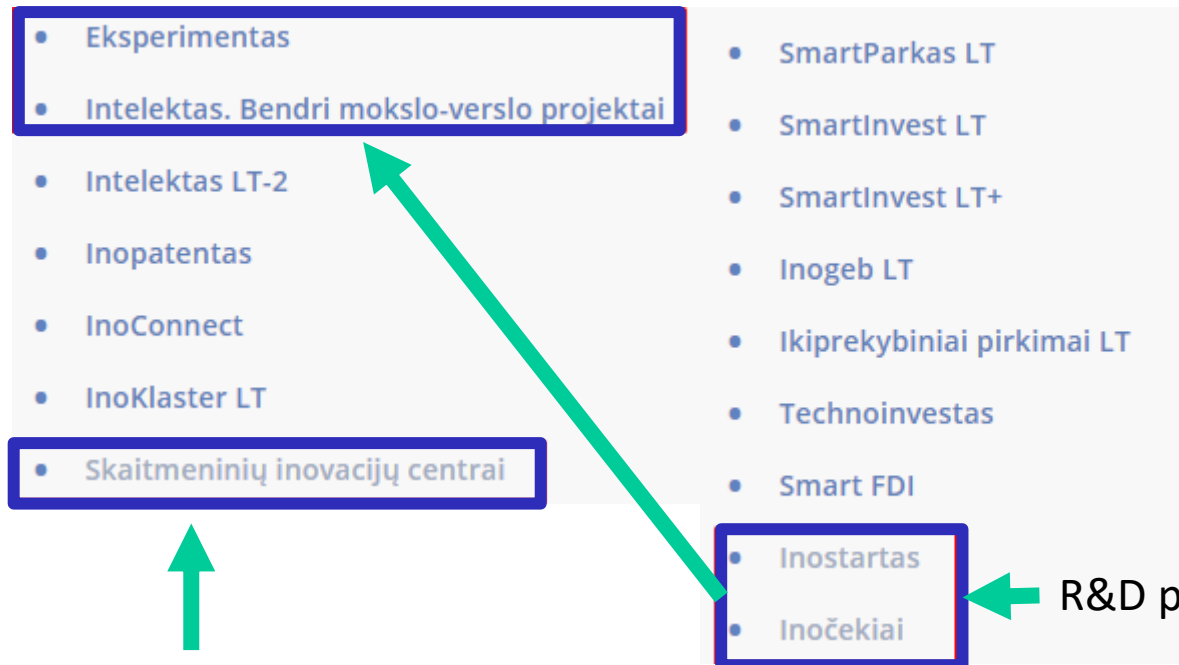


Share of S3 sectors turnover in Lithuanian economy, %.
Strata, 2021

Policy context & Instruments

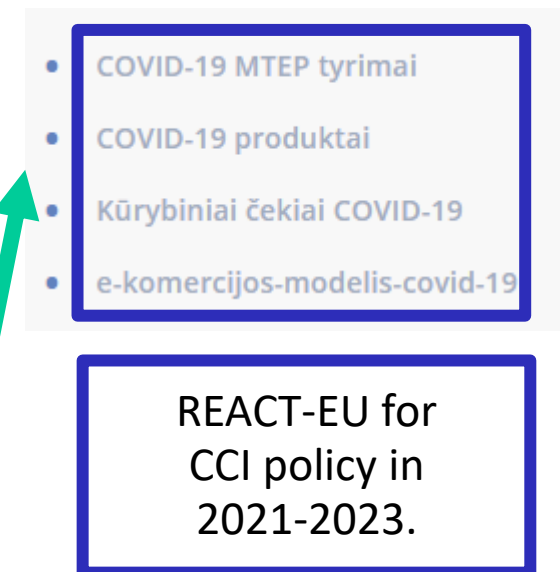
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OP priority no. 1 – R&D measures towards smart specialization.



Digital policy

OP priority no. 13 – new measures for business.



R&D policy

New measures introduced in response of COVID19

NEW thematic objective (priority) No. 13 of OP - “Promoting action to overcome the Covid-19 crisis and preparing for economic recovery”.

Measures of Thematic Objective No. 13:

R&D policy

- 1.COVID-19 R&D (COVID-19 MTEP tyrimai). 30 M EUR.**
- 2.COVID-19 products (COVID-19 produktai). 31 M EUR.**
- 3.Covid-19 creative vouchers (Kūrybiniai čekiai Covid-19). 8.77 M**
- 4.Covid-19 e-commerce model (E. komercijos modelis Covid-19). 47.17 M EUR.**

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5.Incentives to improve the infrastructure of Creative Industry companies. 4.16 M EUR.

6.Incentives for the Creative Industry sector to develop competitive cultural products. 10.55 M EUR.

7.Incentives for design developers „Design wings“ („Dizaino sparnai“). 0.8 M EUR.

CCI policy

Total: 132,45 M EUR.

New Strengths and Weaknesses derived from the pandemic

New Strengths

- **FUNDING:** New funding schemes to overcome Covid-19 pandemic consequences
- **BUSINESS:** increasing competences to develop innovative businesses, better understanding of competitiveness through innovation
- **RESEARCH:** Shift towards more applicable research
- **PEOPLE:** increased motivation to pursue research careers & increasing competences in academia and business to access public support for R&I
- **LINKAGES:** more collaborative culture

New Weaknesses

- **POLICY:** Insufficient coherence of policy measures
- **POLICY:** Limited capacities for idea development support in business support agencies
- **BUSINESS:** Still limited willingness to take risk developing innovative ideas
- **PEOPLE:** Lack of high-quality specialists in private and public sector

New Opportunities and Threats derived from the pandemic

New Opportunities

- **POLICY:** Strong shift towards high-tech development and collaborative projects
- **POLICY:** Establishment of single innovation agency and consolidation of functions
- **RESEARCH:** further upgrade of research infrastructure, increasing linkages of higher education and research (establishment of new university centres)
- **BUSINESS:** Stronger establishment in value chains of Covid-19 related products and services

New Threats

- **FUNDING:** high dependency of R&I activities on EU SF support
- **POLICY:** Risk that research support structure will remain fragmented or will become weaker (due to innovation reform)
- **POLICY:** Elimination of Lithuanian businesses from global value chains due to conflict with China



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