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Dr Petreikis has been recognized and encouraged for his academic and social activities: in 2014, he was awarded a letter of appreciation for the best doctoral dissertation in the field of humanities and social sciences by Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania. He was the laureate of the Best Dissertation in Humanities and Social Sciences 2015, a laureate of the Best Dissertation 2014 of the Lithuanian Young Scientists' Union (LJMS), and a laureate of the Best Master's Thesis 2010 of the Lithuanian Young Scientists' Union (LJMS). In 2010, Dr Petreikis received a letter of appreciation for academic achievements from Vilnius University Rector Benediktas Juodka, and in 2016, a citation of the Council of Ethnic Culture for the development of the Lithuanian press and social activities.