



## **Professor Rimvydas Vasaitis**

**Foreign Member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences since 2017**

### ***1. General info***

**Name:** Rimvys (Rimvydas) Vasaitis

**Date of birth:** 1963-07-25

**Degrees:**

PhD in Forest Protection (1989) St.Petersburg Forest Technology University. Dissertation: “Wound decay in stands of *Picea abies* associated with logging damage and bark stripping”

PhD in Forest Pathology (1998) Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), Uppsala. Dissertation: “Ecology of fungi colonizing wounds of *Picea abies* with special emphasis on *Stereum sanguinolentum*”

Doctor Habilitus in Biology (September 1999), Vilnius University. Dissertation: “Population biology and silvicultural significance of fungi colonizing wounds of spruce, oak and ash”(each of the dissertations consist of separate non-overlapping studies).

**Docent (Associate Professor):** year 1994 (Lithuanian University of Agriculture) and 2009 (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences).

**Current employment:** researcher & forest pathologist, Dept. of Forest Mycology & Pathology, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU).

**Previous appointments:**

1986-1989: PhD student, St. Petersburg Forest Technology Academy, Russia

1989-1992: researcher, Lithuanian Forest Research Institute

1992-2001: assistant professor, then docent, Lithuanian University of Agriculture

1999-2001: post-doc, Dept. of Forest Mycology & Pathology, (SLU)

2001-2009: researcher

Since 2010: current appointment.

**Expertise:** forest health and protection, mycology, ecology, silviculture.

### ***2. Accomplished evaluations***

**Referee** for over 50 manuscripts submitted to 41 Web of Science Impact Factor journals.

### **Grant proposals for**

- **Lithuanian State Foundation for Science and Studies:** 11 projects (budgets 200-340 k€)
- **Czech Science Foundation:** 7 (30-220 k€)
- **Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (DEFRA), United Kingdom:** 2 (over 700 k€ each)
- **European BiodivERsA Call** (year 2013)
- **National Research Foundation, South Africa:** 2 (15 k€ each)

### **3. Other**

#### **European Cooperation in Science & Technology (COST)**

- Chair & Grant Holder of FP1103 Action “Fraxinus dieback in Europe”, 2012-2016
- WG4 Leader in FP1002 Action “Pathway evaluation and pest risk management”, 2010-2014

#### **International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO) & Nordic Cooperation in Forest Research (SNS)**

- Coordinator of IUFRO Working Party (WP) 7.03.04 “Diseases and insects in forest nurseries”, 2009-2014
- Organizer of joint IUFRO WP7.03.10 “Methodology of forest insect and disease survey” & WP7.03.06 “Integrated management of forest defoliating insects” meeting, Palanga, Lithuania, September 2012
- Organizer of joint IUFRO WP7.03.01 “Cone and seed insects” & WP7.03.04 “Diseases and insects in forest nurseries” meeting, Vilnius, Lithuania, September 2012
- Organizer of two SNS Meetings of Nordic – Baltic forest pathologists: Palanga, Lithuania, September 2009, and Uppsala, Sweden, September 2011

**Subject Editor:** for two WoS Impact Factor journals, Baltic Forestry and Plant Protection Science.

#### **Academy Member:**

1. Latvian Academy of Agricultural & Forestry Sciences (since 2013)
2. Lithuanian Academy of Science (since 2017)

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