# What is wrong with Lithuanian society?

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# Society of paradoxes?

Most vibrant civil society in 1989

Most passive civil society in 2013

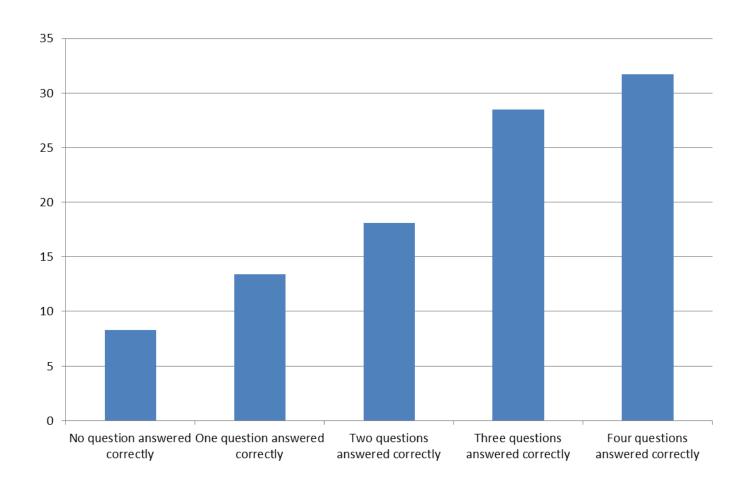
Most enthusiastic about EU

Most pessimistic about national government

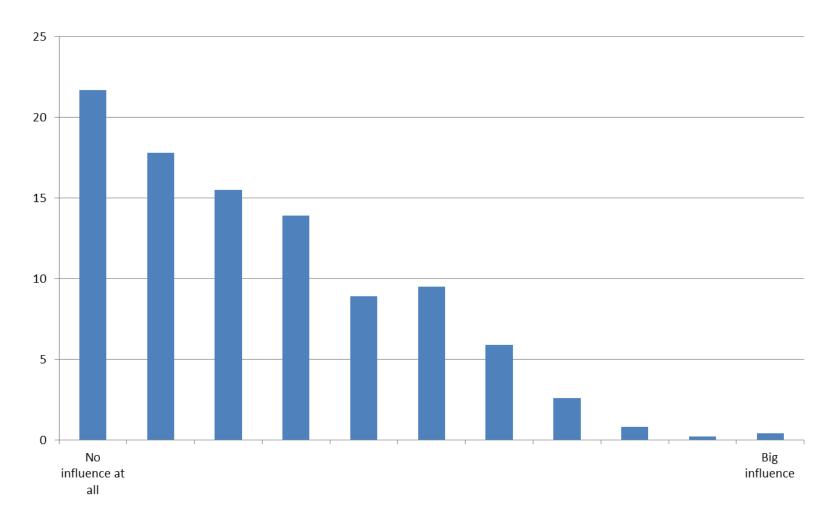
Most dissatisfied in political attitudes

Most peaceful in political behaviour

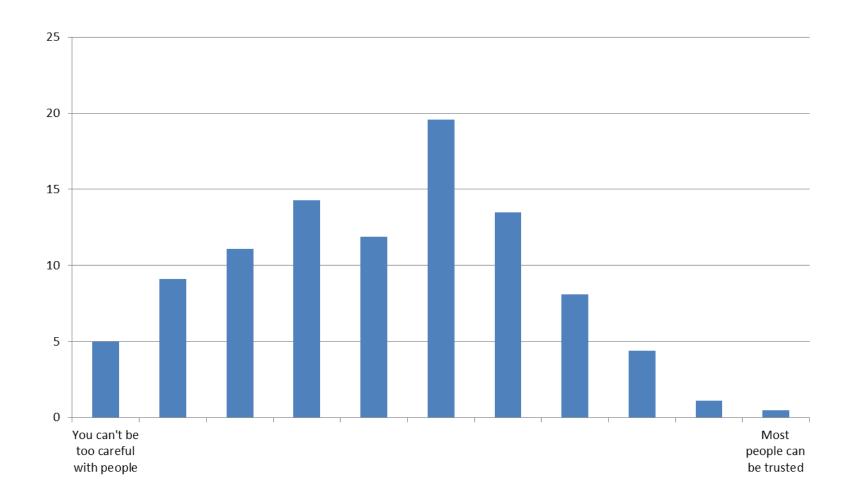
## Political sophistication of Lithuanian citizens



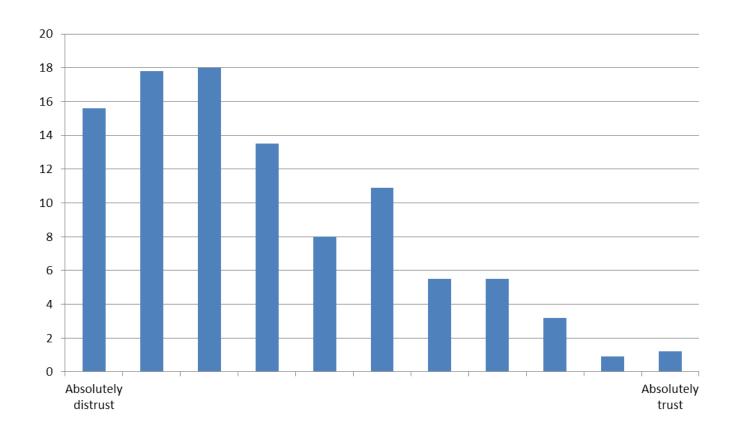
#### Perceived influence of ordinary citizens in political decisions



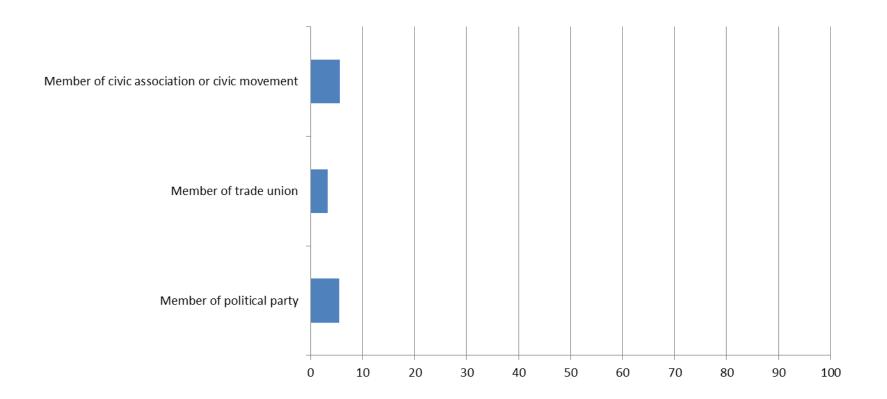
### Trust in fellow citizens



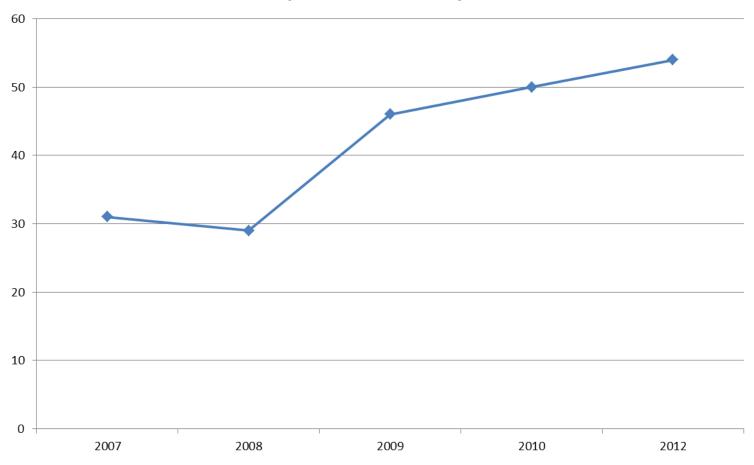
#### Trust in Parliament



#### Active membership in civic and political organisations



#### Participated in a cleanup action



Source: Civic Empowerment Index

## Conclusion

Lithuanian society -

trapped in vicious circle of political distrust,

having extraordinary civic potential