APPLICATION DOSSIER

Candidate for Director General
The Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania (LGGRTC)

Applicant: Grant Arthur Gochin
Citizen of the Republic of Lithuania

Submission Date: 6 March 2026

Reference: This submission supplements and reiterates the formal application first submitted on 22 February 2026, prior to the published deadline of 20 March 2026.

Vacancy Announcement:
https://static-cdn.toi-media.com/blogs/uploads/2026/02/Pranesimas-atrankai.docx

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STATEMENT OF SUBMISSION AND ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

This document constitutes the formal submission of my candidacy for the position of Director General of the Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania in response to the publicly announced competition.

This submission also serves as a complete administrative record of my application, including the qualifications I present, the documentation I have provided, and the procedural notices I have placed on record concerning the conduct of the selection process.

The purpose of structuring this submission as an administrative record is threefold:
1. Compliance — to demonstrate full compliance with the requirements stated in the official vacancy announcement.
2. Transparency — to ensure that the evaluation of my candidacy occurs within a framework of procedural transparency consistent with the principles of good administration recognized under European Union law.
3. Public Accountability — to preserve an accurate and verifiable record of this selection process for scholarly, institutional, and public review.

Because the work of the Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania concerns matters of profound historical importance, the integrity of the selection process for its leadership is itself a matter of legitimate public interest.

This submission is prepared in English for purposes of international transparency and public accountability.

1. FREE-FORM APPLICATION

Dear Members of the Council,

This document constitutes my application for the position of Director General of the Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania (LGGRTC). This submission reiterates and supplements my initial application submitted on 22 February 2026.

I meet every qualification specified in the official announcement. As a citizen of Lithuania, I reject discrimination, racism, and ideological exclusion.

My academic work and research publications are available at:

Selective Justice in Lithuania – Times of Israel
https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/selective-justice-in-lithuania/

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A Job Posting Exposes Lithuania's Holocaust Problem – Times of Israel
https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/a-job-posting-exposes-lithuanias-holocaust-problem/

An Institution Advertising for Fraud – Times of Israel
https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/an-institution-advertising-for-fraud/

Applying for a Job Nobody Should Ever Want – Times of Israel
https://blogs.timesofisrael.com/applying-for-a-job-nobody-should-ever-want/

An Institution No One Honest Can Defend – Substack
https://grantgochin.substack.com/p/an-institution-no-one-honest-can

Formal Application – Substack
https://grantgochin.substack.com/p/formal-application

Truth is a Crime in Lithuania – Substack
https://grantgochin.substack.com/p/truth-is-a-crime-in-lithuania

I have no trust in the Centre in its current institutional form. My objective is to transform it into a legitimate institution of factual historical research.

2. CURRICULUM VITAE

My curriculum vitae is publicly available at:
https://grantgochin.com/about/

A signed copy is attached to this submission.

In addition to published research, my international standing includes the following appointments and roles:
• Honorary Consul of the Republic of Togo
• Emeritus Special Envoy for Diaspora Affairs, African Union (55 member states)
• Emeritus Dean, Los Angeles Consular Corps
• Chief, Village of Babade
• Author, Malice, Murder and Manipulation (2013)

These roles establish diplomatic experience, international institutional engagement, and a published record of historical research that directly fulfils the requirements of the Director General position.

3. FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

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The detailed program has been developed in the following publication:
https://grantgochin.substack.com/p/an-institution-no-one-honest-can

The principles described in that document represent minimum institutional requirements. Upon assuming the position, I will conduct a full institutional review to determine what further reforms are necessary to transform the Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania into a legitimate institution of historical scholarship rather than a source of historically misleading publications.

Primary objectives include:
• Full transparency of archival holdings
• Digital public access to archives
• Removal of political influence from research
• International academic standards
• Structural reform of methodology
• Independent peer review of publications
• Institutional transparency

Demonstrated Precedent: The Maceva Project
I led the Maceva Project, which identified, mapped, and worked toward the preservation of abandoned Jewish cemeteries across Lithuania. This project directly fulfils the Centre's statutory mandate to preserve evidence of Jewish life and the consequences of the Holocaust in Lithuania. No other candidate can demonstrate comparable on-the-ground preservation work within Lithuanian territory.

Demonstrated Precedent: The Jonas Noreika Campaign
The LGGRTC issued historical findings on Jonas Noreika that were subsequently rejected by Lithuania's own Presidential Commission. I personally funded and conducted the legal and research campaign that exposed those findings as institutionally compromised. This record establishes the independence and resolve to pursue institutional accountability at the level the Director General role demands. No other candidate has demonstrated a comparable willingness to hold this institution to the standards its own government requires.

4. DOCUMENTATION OF ACADEMIC AND MANAGERIAL EXPERIENCE

I have requested clarification regarding what specific documentation the Council considers acceptable for demonstrating academic and managerial experience. No clarification has been provided. I therefore reject any attempt to rely on ambiguity or procedural technicalities to exclude my candidacy.

4A. QUALIFICATION COMPLIANCE NOTICE

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For the avoidance of doubt, I state that my candidacy satisfies each qualification requirement stated in the official vacancy announcement for the position of Director General of the Genocide and Resistance Research Centre of Lithuania. Should the Council determine that my candidacy does not meet any stated requirement, I request that the Council identify the specific qualification requirement at issue, the factual basis for that determination, and the documentary evidence relied upon, prior to the conclusion of the candidacy period.

Because the selection announcement constitutes the governing administrative instrument for this competition, no additional qualification criteria may be introduced after publication of the announcement, and no candidate may be evaluated against requirements not contained in that document.

5. DECLARATION OF IMPECCABLE REPUTATION

I declare that:
• I possess impeccable reputation
• I have never collaborated with Soviet intelligence services
• I have never been a member of the Communist Party
• My work demonstrates independence and scholarly integrity

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6. PROCEDURAL TRANSPARENCY STATEMENT

Because the vacancy announcement did not specify a mandatory language requirement, I require that all communication with me be conducted exclusively in English.

This requirement reflects the principles of non-discrimination and good administration under Articles 21 and 41 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.

I further require:
• Confirmation of the interview date

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• Interview conducted via Zoom
• Recording of the interview for transparency

7. COMPENSATION STATEMENT

If appointed, I renounce any salary associated with the position. If renunciation is not legally permissible, I pledge that any salary received will be directed to the preservation of the historic Šnipiškės Jewish Cemetery in Vilnius.

8. PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE NOTICE

This application constitutes a formal administrative record. All documents, communications, deliberations, and evaluation materials related to this candidacy must be preserved without alteration or destruction in accordance with principles of good administration under European Union law.

9. RIGHT TO REASONS

If my candidacy is rejected, I require a written explanation of the decision, the evaluation criteria applied, and documentation relating to the evaluation of my candidacy.

10. ACCESS TO ADMINISTRATIVE FILE

I request access to the administrative file relating to this selection procedure, including evaluation criteria, scoring systems, panel members, and deliberation records.

11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

I request disclosure of whether any evaluation panel member has publicly commented on or criticized my research or has defended institutional conclusions analyzed in my work. Any such individual should recuse themselves.

12. PRINCIPLE OF EQUAL TREATMENT

All candidates must be evaluated using identical criteria and procedures. No additional requirements may be imposed on individual candidates.

13. TRANSPARENCY OF CANDIDATE SELECTION

I request publication of the candidate list, evaluation criteria, and final results in order to ensure transparency.

14. DEADLINE CLARIFICATION NOTICE

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Any clarification regarding documentation requirements must be provided before 20 March 2026. If no clarification is provided, this submission shall be considered fully compliant.

15. ADMINISTRATIVE SILENCE NOTICE

Failure to respond to reasonable inquiries may constitute administrative silence under principles of European administrative law.

16. PROCEDURAL EQUALITY AND INTEGRITY OF THE COMPETITION

The competition must be conducted strictly according to the published rules and procedures. Any deviation may raise serious concerns regarding legality and impartiality.

17. NOTICE OF PREDETERMINATION AND INSTITUTIONAL BIAS

I request confirmation that the outcome of the competition has not been predetermined and that all candidates will receive genuine and impartial consideration.

For clarity of the administrative record, the Council members and any evaluation panel members participating in this selection process will bear individual responsibility for the integrity of the procedure and the accuracy of any factual assertions relied upon in evaluating my candidacy, including any written explanations issued in connection with this competition.

18. NOTICE OF SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF HISTORICAL STANDARDS

On 26 February 2026, a Vilnius court convicted activist Erika Švenčionienė for minimization of Soviet crimes, establishing that public statements concerning historical events can constitute criminal offences under Lithuanian law. The same criminal standard has never been applied to LGGRTC publications that minimized, obscured, or distorted the Lithuanian record of Holocaust perpetration. The Director General of this institution bears institutional responsibility for any such asymmetry. This notice is placed on the formal record of this candidacy.

19. NOTICE OF ONGOING INTERNATIONAL SCRUTINY

The institutional conduct of the LGGRTC has attracted scrutiny from Members of the United States Congress and from international Holocaust research institutions. This scrutiny is ongoing. The Director General appointed through this process will inherit full institutional responsibility for LGGRTC's published record and for any subsequent review of that record

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20. REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE UNDER EU TRANSPARENCY INSTRUMENTS

Pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council, and Commission documents, and pursuant to the General Principles of Good Administration under Articles 41 and 42 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, I formally request:

- Publication of the full candidate list upon closure of the application period
- Disclosure of the evaluation criteria in advance of any interview stage
- Disclosure of the identity and qualifications of all evaluation panel members
- Confirmation that no evaluation panel member has a prior institutional relationship with LGGRTC publications or findings that are subject to ongoing dispute
- Written notification to all candidates of any pending reviews, legal proceedings, or international inquiries relevant to the institutional responsibilities of the position

Failure to comply with these requests will be recorded as a violation of the principle of good administration and will be raised through all available administrative and legal review mechanisms.

This application dossier will be preserved as part of the international historical record and may be published in full for purposes of transparency and academic accountability.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Signed Curriculum Vitae

2. Master of Business Administration Transcript

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