**Summary of german presentation Siauliai**

Current projects

At our college the field of pedagogy passed a project in elementary school in order to teach how to recycle, avoid and separate waste. Furthermore, we have charging stations for cars, waste sorting at several places throughout the school. To avoid waste, we use towel dispenser and save copies. Besides, we use renewable energy: We have an in-house photovoltaic, LED light bulbs and motion sensors. To reuse bottles, we also have a water dispenser for pupils and teachers. Especially our biological teachers use the application iNaturalista for their lessons.

At our courtyard we are building a green classroom with native species of plants only. It is a chill-out-area for students, a habitat for birds and insects but also a possibility to do practical lessons. 51% of our students travel by bus and train. Also, carsharing is used by teachers and students.

Policy and future initiatives

In the future we plan to implement a green week before summer holidays at our school. We want to offer healthy, seasonal, vegan and regional cooking, a repair café, a poetry slam, up-cycling projects. Additionally, we want to invite regional partners and companies such as Phoenix, Symrise or Stiebel Eltron. It is also important for us that students can choose topics they want to work on, such as fast faschion, meat consumption, etc.

Furthermore, we want to keep on improving our current projects. Therefore, we want to expand the charging stations and our school garden. In order to convince students to do car-sharing we want to implement special parking lots for them, that are closer to the school. In addition, we are still working on paper free classes.

Nevertheless, there are a lot of barriers we are facing. All the projects cost a lot of time and money and therefore also human resources. Especially, in the A-Levels the curricula are quite strict for that reason it is hard to teach lessons talking about sustainability. As we live in a rural region our public transport is limited. Often it costs a lot of more time going by train or bus than going with your individual car. Besides, bureaucracy prolongs the processes of establishing something new.