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Newspaper articles


The Times (2009), ‘Latvian fears lead to bank protection,’ 8 October 2009.


Institutional authors


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Unpublished works

Rudi, E.; Mägi, M.; Link, E.-G. & Maimets, A. (2000), Eesti roheliste kadumine poliitiliselt maastikult [Disappearance of Estonian Greens from the political scene], [Unpublished manuscript] Department of Political Science, University of Tartu.

Archival materials

EAA (1803–1814), Kontrakte, Protokolleextrakte und Briefwechsel mit den Beamten des botanischen Gartens, dem Kurator des Dorpater Lehrbezirks u.a. über die Errichtung und Versetzung des Gartens, den Verkauf des alten Gartens u.a., EAA f 402, n 5, s 52, Estonian Historical Archives, Tartu.

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Websites


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Maria Martinez Sala v Freistaat Bayern [1998], ECR I, C-85/96, p. 02691.