

IKEA VILNIUS ARSON

A timed incendiary device set off a fire at the IKEA store in Vilnius on the night of 8–9 May 2024; no one was injured. Lithuanian and Polish prosecutors say the attack was ordered by Russian intelligence as part of a wider arson campaign that included an OBI store in Warsaw and a planned attack on IKEA in Riga.

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DEGREE OF PROOF

COURT FINDING

A court, the European Court of Human Rights or a judicial public inquiry has found that Russia or its agents were responsible.

WHO ESTABLISHED IT

Lithuanian prosecutors attributed the attack to Russian military intelligence (GRU) in March 2025. Vilnius District Court convicted Ukrainian national Daniil Bardadim of an act of terror on 24 Nov 2025 (3 years 4 months). Polish National Prosecutor's indictment (25 Mar 2026) states the attacks were carried out for Russian intelligence.

LATEST

Bardadim convicted in Lithuania (Nov 2025). Trial of co-defendants for the IKEA, OBI and planned Riga attacks opened at Warsaw-Praga District Court on 12 Oct 2026; alleged coordinators remain wanted.

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WHAT WE ASK OF MEMBER STATES

- Treat sabotage on your territory as part of Russia's war against Ukraine and its supporters.
- Share evidence across borders; support Eurojust and joint investigation teams.
- Sanction the GRU units and recruiters behind the operations.

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