

MILITARY MANUFACTURING

Latvia is a frontline NATO and EU member that is rapidly expanding its defence industrial base



5% of GDP defence spending

Latvia's defence budget is set to double, with ~30% allocated to local procurement, creating sustained demand for defence and dual-use technologies



€5.7 billion EU support

Allocated for European defence capability reinforcement, offering funding opportunities for Latvian projects



€100 million for innovation

Total available funding for manufacturing, dual-use applications and defence R&D projects



Major defence manufacturers establish production facilities in Latvia

Leading European defence companies, including Rheinmetall and Patria, are establishing manufacturing and assembly operations in Latvia

Defence manufacturing ecosystem that brings together state, industry and research actors

Manufacturing



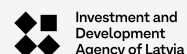
SPH Engineering



ARMGATE



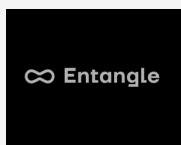
State & Research



VALSTS AIZSARDZĪBAS KORPORĀCIJA



High tech



Infrastructure & civil defence



A proven base for defence manufacturing and dual-use production

Patria

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Armoured vehicle manufacturing and final assembly in Latvia, marking one of the **first large-scale foreign defence manufacturing investments** and integrating Latvia into Nordic–EU land systems supply chains.



Redwire

Battle-proven unmanned systems manufacturing for defence and dual-use markets.



Baltic Bullet

Small-calibre ammunition manufacturing company based in Latvia, serving civilian and security markets.



Ammunity

Scalable ammunition production supporting European defence demand.

Defence innovation system that supports NATO-oriented research, dual-use technology development and industrial prototyping

UniLab & NATO DIANA Accelerator

University-led pre-acceleration programme providing early-stage funding and direct access to the NATO DIANA innovation network, linking Latvian teams to defence and dual-use markets.

Riga Technical University & University of Latvia

Defence-relevant education and applied research in military medicine, cybersecurity and dual-use technologies, supporting talent development and mission-critical capabilities.

Defence Technology and Innovation Centre

National coordination hub for applied defence R&D, connecting academia, industry and government to accelerate technology development and deployment.

Defence Innovation Fund «For development and defence»

Targeted funding instrument supporting applied research and technology transfer in defence and dual-use domains.