

# SMART CITY

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# BUILDING THE CITY OF THE FUTURE



# 1st

in the Baltics to offer the latest generation of IoT networks NB-IoT & LTE-M



#### 1st

among OECD in mobile data usage (OECD Broadband Portal, 2022)



## **17**th

in the EU in connectivity (DESI index, 2022)



## 9th

in EU in e-government benchmark (e-Government benchmark, 2022)



# #1

drone-friendly city in the world - Riga (FDI Intelligence, 2021)



Capital **Riga** Territory **64.6 K km²** 

Population 1.9 M Currency € (EUR)

Languages 95% of inhabitants speak at least 2 languages; 65% speak at least 3 languages



# 36th

fastest internet speed in the world (Speedtest Global Index, 2023)

#### INFRASTRUCTURE THAT MEANS BUSINESS



- 100+ direct flights: Riga International Airport biggest in the Baltics
- 5G: among the first countries globally to implement the network
- Rapid prototyping & testing environment
- Strong community with various associations, industry events & cooperation projects



#### **SMART MOBILITY & IOT**

- · Autonomous vehicle tests in closed environment
- Smart mobility & IoT
- 5G & IoT use cases in transportation, infrastructure, military, etc.
- Al-powered rescue & firefighting drones
- UAV start-ups



#### **EASY TO SCALE**

- Support for digitilization processes in commercial activities
- 0% CIT on reinvested profit
- 5 Special Economic Zones offering tax rebates



#### LEADING ICT EXPORTER AMONG THE BALTIC STATES



in the telecommunications service export among the Baltic States

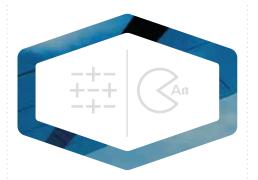


YoY value added increase (2022)



Number of ICT companies in Latvia has doubled over the last ten years





#### **SKILLED & MULTILINGUAL TALENT POOL**



in Europe in the number of ICT students per 1 million population



in Europe with 95% of Latvians speaking at least two foreign language





Excellence Program in Computer Science & Organizational Technology



Wide range of **ICT study programmes** including robotics, big data analysis, Al, cybersecurity, telecommunications & electronics



Latvian scientific institutions have extensive experience working with such companies as Accenture, LMT, Siemens, Tieto, MikroTik & more





## **COUNTRY READY** FOR ANY CHALLENGES

Riga, as one of Europe's pioneers, has initiated a state-supported endeavor aimed at creating its Metaverse, making it among the continent's most significant and ambitious projects focused on advancing extended reality (XR) research, technology, and applications.



## HELPING CONNECT **WORLDS APART**

Infrastructure, R&D and technology pioneered to make working easy, talents speaking multiple languages & tech make Latvia a great connecting point.

#### **ECOSYSTEM COMMUNITY**



















