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DEFENSE TECH

Dual-use. Resilient. Industrial.



MANUFACTURING IN NUMBERS

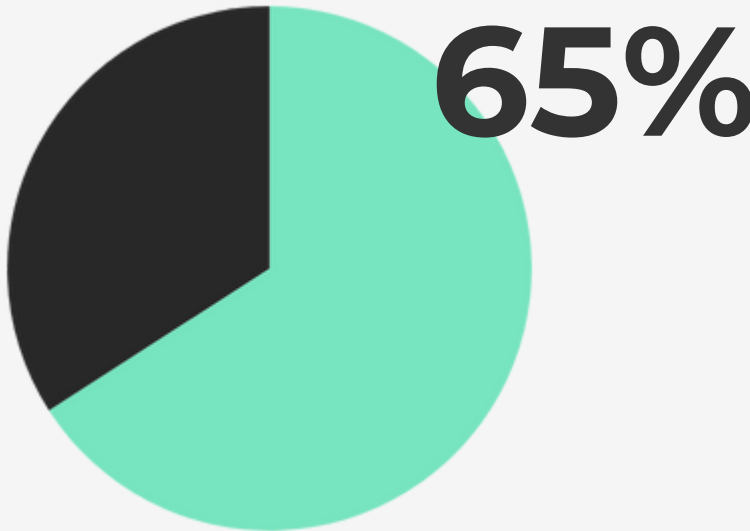
High-value added

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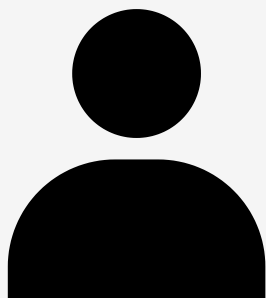
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blnEUR manufacturing production
output in 2024

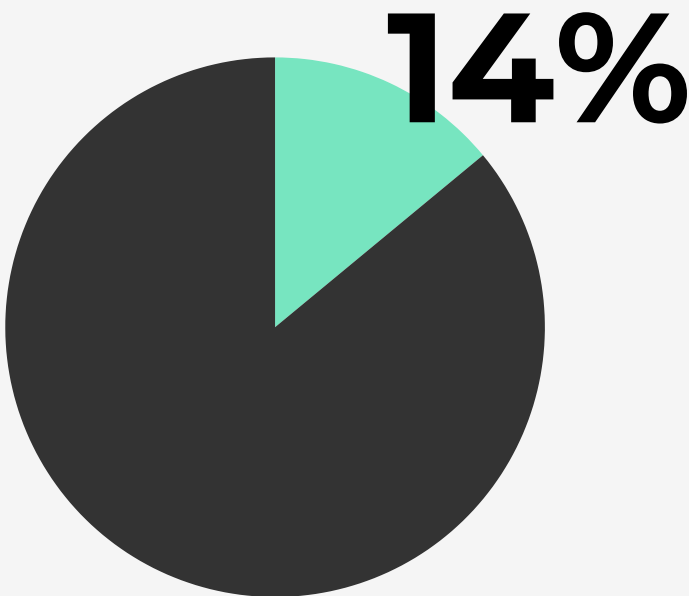
18% Manufacturing as
a proportion of
GDP, %, 2023



Turnover of exported
products as % of GDP



9893
engineering,
manufacturing and
construction **students**



Manufacturing value added of
GDP, %, 2024

1545 EUR average
monthly salary in
the sector



1500
Engineering, manufacturing and
construction **graduates** in 2023

SCOPE OF THE DEFENSE BUDGET

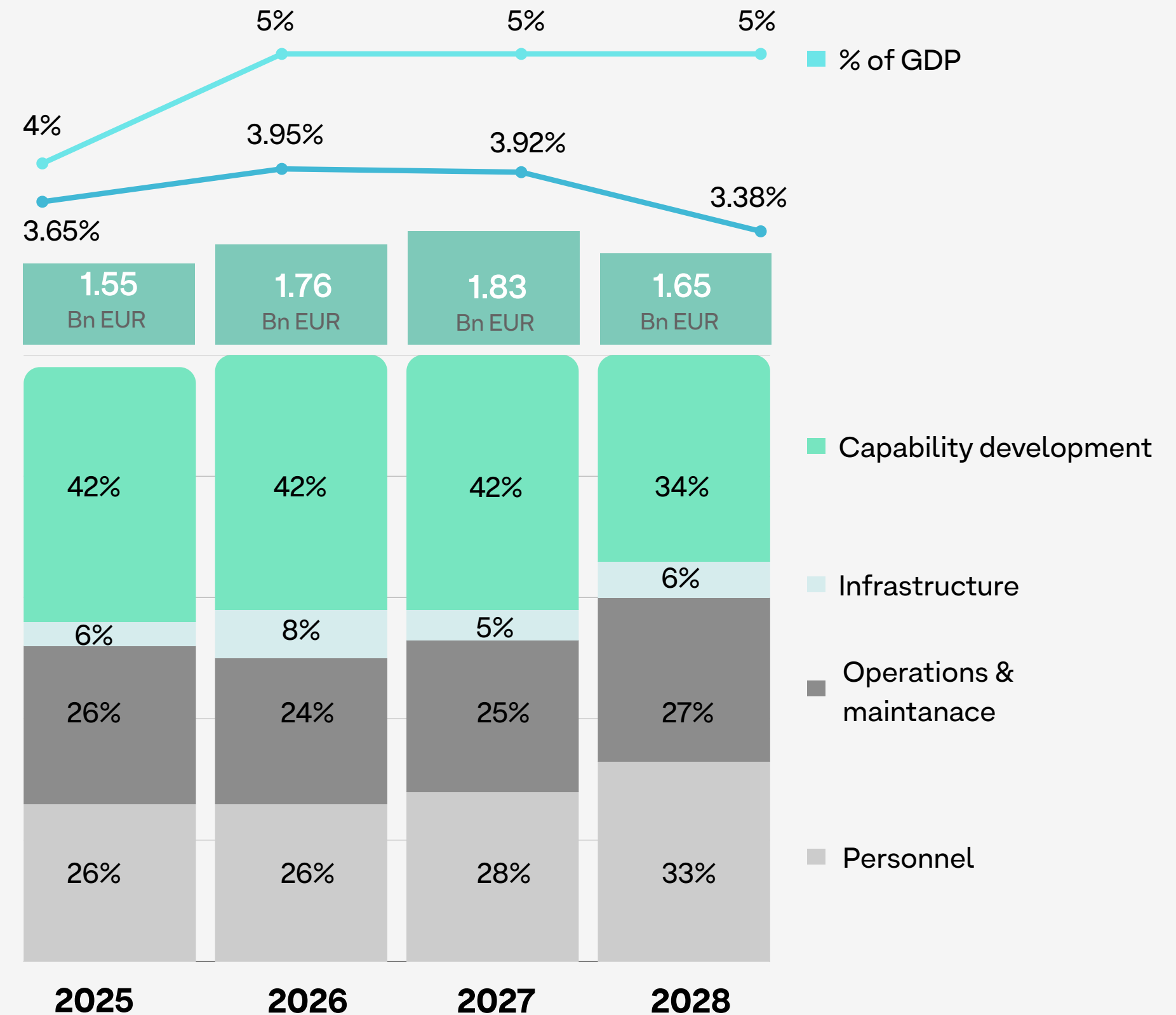


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NAF development funding for 2025–2028 is aprox. **2.7 billion EUR**

The government is considering to increase the defense budget to 4% of GDP in 2025 and at least 5% of GDP in 2026-2028

The expected additional funding for defense could reach at least **2 billion EUR** over four years



REARM EUROPE PLAN/ READINESS 2030: FINANCING EU DEFENSE CAPABILITIES IN LATVIA

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New support programs
are expected soon

- Use the Stability and Growth Pact escape clause **to boost defense budgets by 1.5% of GDP per year, unlocking up to 650 billion EUR** over four years.
- **Launch the 150 billion EUR SAFE loan instrument** to fund key defense areas like missile defense, drones, and cybersecurity.
- Expand European Investment Bank **support for defense and security projects**, and **mobilise private capital** through the Savings and Investment Union.
- **Stimulate economic** growth by building factories and creating high-quality jobs in Europe.

800 B EUR

amount Member States
aim to mobilise under
the ReArm Europe Plan/
Readiness 2030 to
finance a massive ramp-
up of defense spending

INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES

- Edge Autonomy
- Frankenburg Technologies

GOVERNMENTAL

- Latvian Investment and Development Agency (LIAA)
- Latvian National Armed Forces (NBS)
- Ministry of Economics
- Ministry of Defense

START UP COMPANIES

- Natrix
- Rocket Science
- SHARKCAGE
- Origin Robotics
- EMJ Metāls

ECOSYSTEM



R&D

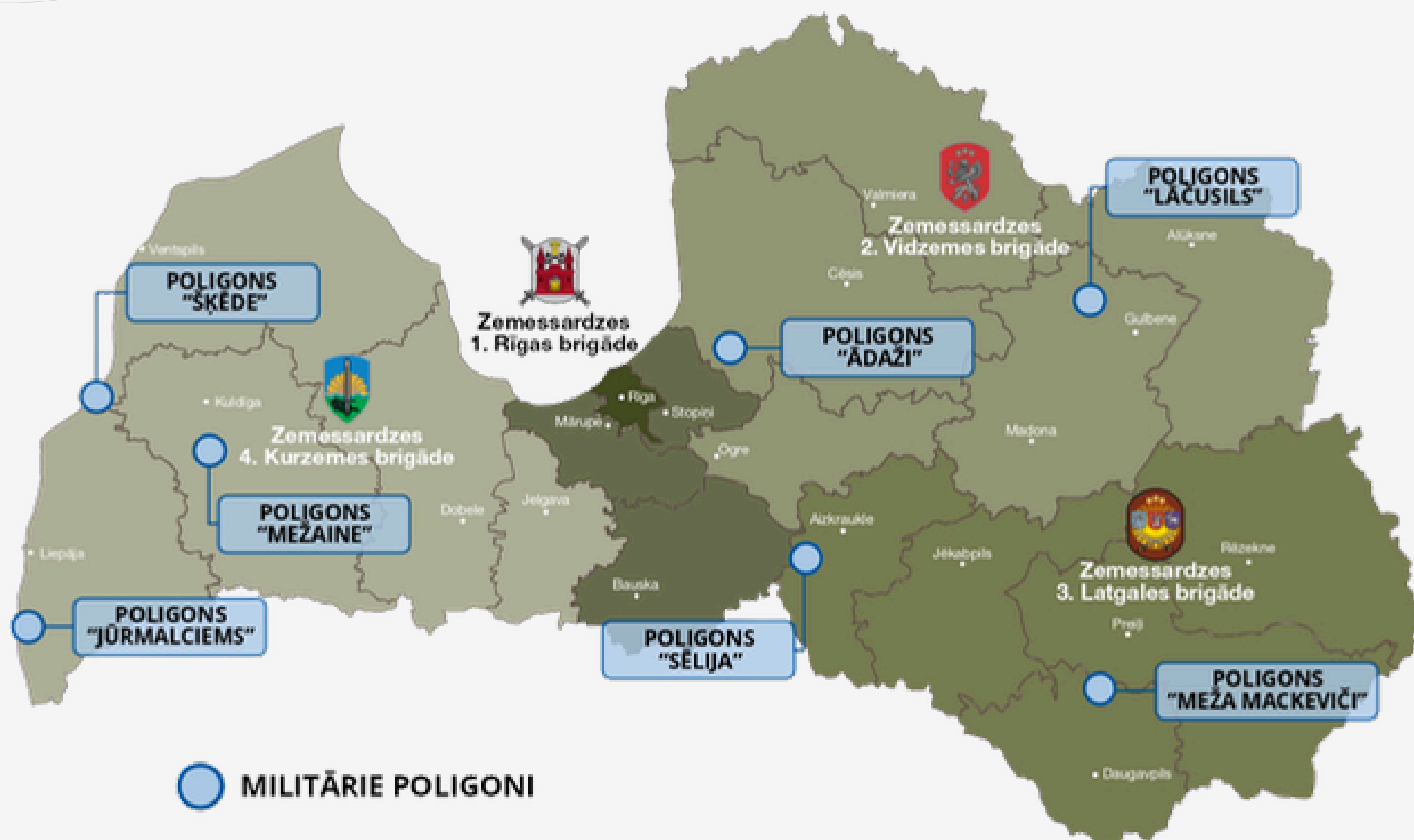
- Transport and communication institute
- Rezekne academy of technologies
- Electronic and computer science institute (engineering)
- Riga Technical University
- Machinery and metalworking association (networking)
- Ventspils Academy (robotics)
- Latvian state institute of wood chemistry

EDUCATION FOR ENGINEERS

- Riga technical university
- University of Latvia
- Latvian Bioscience and technology university (former Latvian Agriculture University)
- Rezekne technology Academy
- Transport and communications institute
- Vidzeme University of applied sciences (in Valmiera)
- Ventspils University of applied sciences
- Riga technical college
- Daugavpils university

STRENGTHENING OF DEFENSE TECH

Historically largest budget and support programs for industry development



The Latvian government has committed to allocating **up to 4% of Latvia's GDP to defense** in 2025.

At least 6% of the NBS budget has been allocated for infrastructure construction in general.

Investments in military infrastructure planned at:
EUR 1.174 B 2025 - 2036
EUR 414 M 2025 - 2028



Provides advanced aerial imaging and surveillance platforms, precision optical gimbals, and reliable energy systems for long-endurance, infrastructure-limited, and mission-critical military and ISR operations.

Edge Autonomy

DEFENSE
INDUSTRY
SHOWCASE



Develops, programs and produces Unmanned Ground Vehicles for military & civil use

Matrix



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mMnufactures high-quality tactical equipment, combat clothing and unmanned ground vehicles

Brasa Defence
Systems



Develops next-generation, AI-powered missile systems that are scalable for mass deployment, delivering advanced targeting and modern warfare capabilities.


Frankenburg
Technologies



Develops rugged military-grade off-road vehicles engineered for extreme terrain, high mobility, and mission-critical defense operations.

VR Cars

**DEFENSE
INDUSTRY
VEHICLE
SHOWCASE**



Develops innovative electric single-track tracked vehicles for extreme off-road and mission-ready mobility.


Oruga



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Produces rugged electric off-road scooters built for durability, power, and all-terrain mobility.

**Global Wolf
Motors**



Produces independent hull of PATRIA 6x6 armoured personnel carriers

EMJ Metāls

LIAA IS THE SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT

- Offset partner search
- Key stakeholder introductions
- Supply chain
- Location advisory
- Logistics support
- Incentives
- Academia and R&D intro's

