



# LATVIA'S RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE PLAN

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## **KEY FIGURES**

**EUR 1.97 billion** in grants 6.1% of GDP<sup>1</sup>

>40 % value of payments requested corresponding to 23% of milestones/targets



Climate Target 42 %



Digital Target 23%



Social Spending 32%

## WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LATVIAN PLAN?

FAIR	The Plan includes important measures to reduce inequalities and regional disparities and strengthen the rule of law, thus contributing to a fairer and more cohesive society.
GREEN	The Plan allocates 42% of funds to the green transition, including important investments such as the greening of the Riga transport system and energy efficiency schemes in public and private buildings and for businesses.
TRANSFORMATIVE	The reforms and accompanying investments of the Plan are set to drive fundamental transformations in the education, health and digital sectors.



### **HOW DOES THE LATVIAN PLAN HELP CITIZENS?**

The Plan improves people's quality of life by transforming the healthcare and long-term care systems. It reduces inequalities by building affordable housing and reducing energy poverty.

#### FLAGSHIP EXAMPLES





To improve access to timely and affordable healthcare and community-based social services, the Plan puts forward:

- Investments in equipment and infrastructure for 10 hospitals and 40 clinics to increase the availability of integrated and high-quality healthcare services for citizens in Riga and in the regions.
- ▶ A digital health strategy that helps develop digital solutions for patients and healthcare providers.
- Creation of new long-term care places close to family settings including investments for the construction of highly energy-efficient buildings.

# Affordable housing in nearly zero-energy buildings



To improve access to **affordable and adequate housing**, the Plan puts forward:

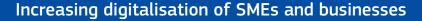
- Housing Affordability Strategy 2023-2027 intended to make quality housing more accessible for low-income households, including by supporting for the improvement of the existing housing stock.
- Construction of at least 300 eco-friendly, high quality and affordable apartments.



### **HOW DOES THE LATVIAN PLAN HELP BUSINESSES?**

It tackles key challenges for businesses' competitiveness, including **skills shortages** and the **digitalisation and greening of business practices**.

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- Establishment of European Digital Innovation Hubs to facilitate the digital transformation of Latvian businesses and public sector organisations through provision of digital maturity tests, consulting services, and specialised training.
- ▶ The business support will be provided through a structure of regional centres, thus contributing to the reduction of regional disparities.

## Financing for energy efficiency and public transport system improvements



To increase the resilience of Latvian businesses and facilitate their green transition, **the Plan supports**:

- investments in renovation of buildings, energy efficient equipment, renewable energy technologies and zeroemission vehicles.
- investments in the development of products and technologies, including industrial research, experimental development and feasibility studies for a low carbon economy.

These investments are expected to strengthen **competitiveness** and **export capacity**.



#### **HOW DOES THE LATVIAN PLAN STRENGTHEN OUR UNION?**

It contributes to **strengthening the security of electricity supply** and to **fostering competitiveness** by reforming the national higher education system.

#### **FLAGSHIP EXAMPLES**





To increase security and stability of electricity supply, the Plan finances:

- ▶ Installation of a 60 megawatt Battery Energy Storage System in the city of Rēzekne. The investment complements a flagship cross-border project that helps decouple the Baltic states' electricity networks from Russia.
- Upgrading the electricity transmission and distribution networks.

## Reforming the national higher education system



Latvia's Plan fosters **competitiveness by supporting its talents.** To strengthen **human capital and** promote **research and innovation,** the Plan includes:

- a fundamental reform of the higher education system that will act upon **three priorities**: governance, funding and human resources.
- investments in research and academic development.

For more information: Latvia's recovery and resilience plan — European Commission (europa.eu)

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