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DIGITAL EXCELLENCE BACKED UP BY NUMBERS



#1

the most start-up friendly
country in the world



3rd

among OECD
in mobile data usage
(OECD Broadband Portal, 2019)



4th

in EU
in connectivity
(DESI index, 2020)



4th

in EU in e-government
benchmark
(e-Government
benchmark, 2019)



Capital **Riga**
Territory **64.6 K km²**
Population **1.9 M**
Currency **€ (EUR)**
Languages **Latvian, English & Russian;**
German is also widely spoken
Member of **EU, NATO & OECD**



#1

the most
innovative country
in the Baltics
(Bloomberg 2021
Innovation Index)



92%

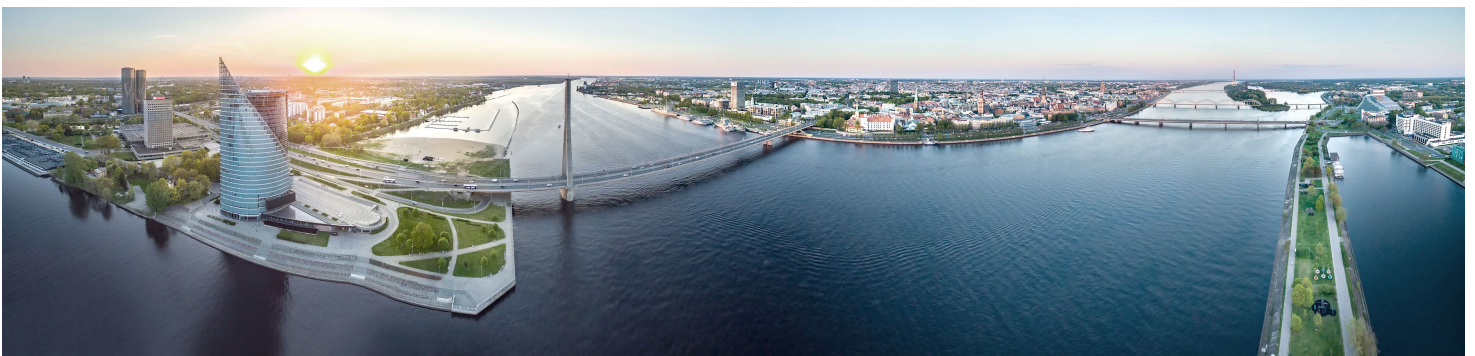
overall fixed broadband
coverage, 69% of which
are fibre connections
(OECD & EC, 2019)



19th

globally in the ease
of doing business
(World Bank,
Doing Business, 2020)

INFRASTRUCTURE THAT MEANS BUSINESS



- **100+** direct flights: **Riga International Airport – biggest in the Baltics**
- The lowest A class office space rent rates among CEE capitals

- **800 000 m²** of office stock: **A and B class for your business**
- **1500** workstations in co-working spaces: **a number that steadily grows**



EASY TO START

- Startup visa as fast track for non-EU founders
- EU Blue Card for highly qualified workers & their families
- Temporary Residence Permit as another option



HELPING YOU GROW

- **50–60%** of co-finance for Staff Training
- Vouchers for R&D activities, prototype development
- Support for industrial research

LEADING ICT EXPORTER AMONG THE BALTIC STATES



1st 1.2 billion industry export value makes Latvia stand out among the Baltic States
30% YoY profit growth



7% contribution to all labour taxes paid

UNIVERSITIES WITH HIGH SPECIALISATION IN ICT



IT Leaders Excellence Program in Computer Science & Organizational Technology



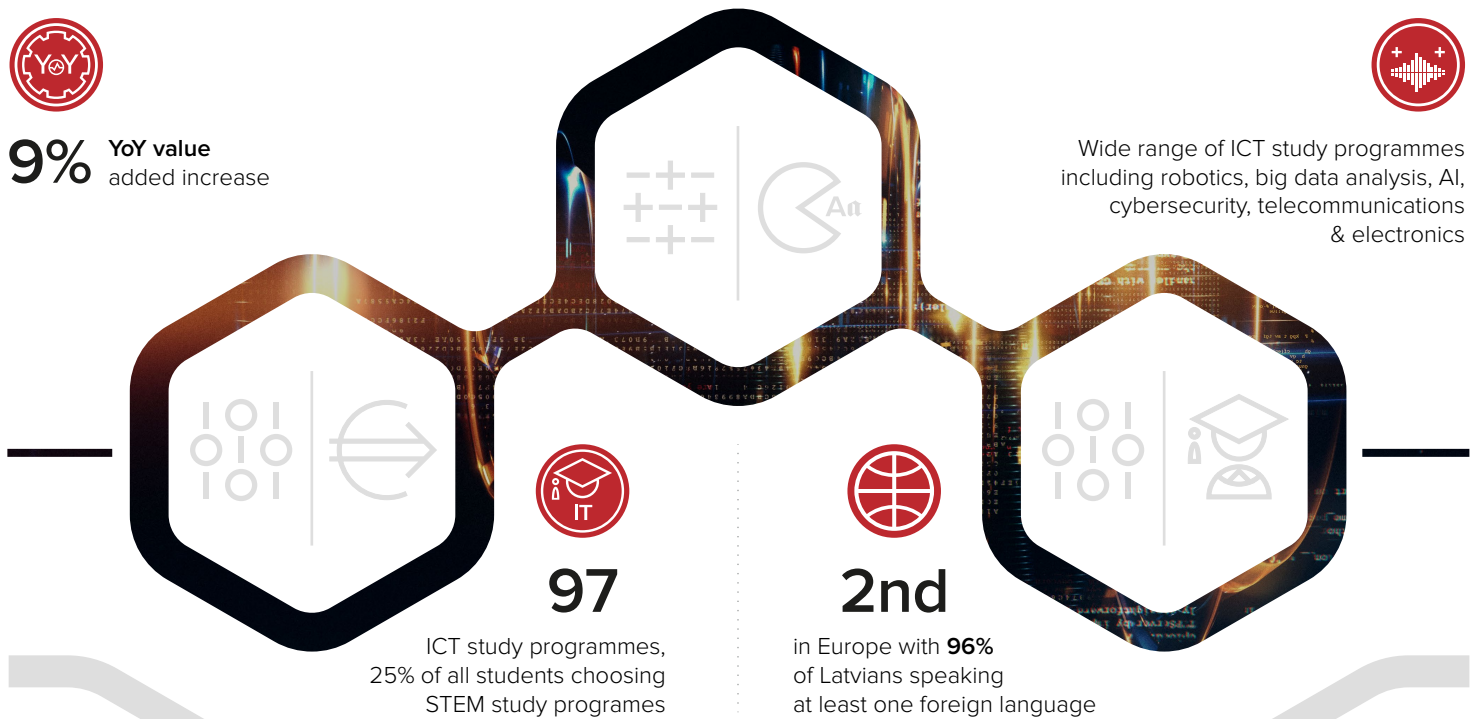
ICT students make up **11%** of all higher education graduates



9% YoY value added increase



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



SKILLED & MULTILINGUAL TALENT POOL



COUNTRY READY FOR ANY CHALLENGES

Crisis proved nation's exceptional agility by developing solutions to enable remote governing, education & by instituting the first nationally endorsed contact exposure notification app Apturi Covid (Stop Covid).



HELPING CONNECT WORLDS APART

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

BUSINESSES USING LATVIA AS PLAYGROUND FOR THEIR IDEAS

