

Rēzekne Special Economic Zone

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RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT PEOPLE



DISTANCES TO MAJOR CITIES

Riga – 242 km

Vilnius – 264 km

Tallinn – 432 km

Warsaw - 723 km

Moscow - 685 km

St. Petersburg – 457 km

DISTANCES TO MAJOR PORTS

Freeport of Riga – 242 km

Freeport of Ventspils – 422 km

Port of Liepaja – 448 km

Port of Klaipeda – 495 km

DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS

Riga – 251 km

Vilnius – 281 km

Kaunas – 298 km



LOCATIONAL ADVANTAGE

Direct access to international markets with more than **500 million** consumers in the European Union (EU) and **270 million** consumers in Russia and CIS countries

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

East-West transit corridor – gateway to the East and the West:

- Crossroads of the Trans-European Network motorways and railways Modern embarkation park at the railway station "Rēzekne-2"
- Railroad integrated into the railroad systems of Russia and the CIS



ECONOMIC, HISTORICAL, CULTURAL AND EDUCATION CENTRE OF LATGALE REGION

THE MAIN INDUSTRIAL SECTORS

Woodworking
Metalworking
Food processing industry
Warehouse management

POPULATION

Rēzekne City: 28 156 (in 2018)

Rēzekne Municipality: 25 274 (in 2018)

Surrounding municipalities: almost 85 000

Latgale region: 270 000 (in 2017)



ABOUT RĒZEKNE SEZ

Founded in 23 April, 1997

Legal form:

Joint Municipal Institution of Rēzekne City Council and Rēzekne Municipality Council

Term of operation: till 2035

RĒZEKNE SEZ 1155 HA INVESTMENT AREAS

Rēzekne SEZ is the largest multi-sectoral industrial territory in Eastern Latvia, where business activity may be conducted under preferential terms of state aid provided by the Latvian government:

- Existing industrial facilities
- Areas equipped with technical infrastructure, but without buildings
- Greenfield areas



LOCATION

Location in the crossroads of international transport corridors with direct access to international markets

COSTS & RESOURCES

Competitive operating costs and availability of resources

HUMAN RESOURCES

Skilled and well-educated labour force

TAX INCENTIVES

Tax incentives available in Rēzekne SEZ and other state aid measures

OWNERSHIP OF LAND

Possibility to acquire land in ownership in the territory of Rēzekne SEZ

RĒZEKNE SEZ AUTHORITY SERVICES

Tailor-made and aftercare services of Rēzekne SEZ Authority for zone enterprises

TAX INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT



Real Estate tax relief up to 100%



Corporate Income tax relief up to 80%



ULIA

Return of Investment costs in tax incentives up to 55%

TAXATION IN LATVIA:

Corporate Income Tax applicable on dividends **20%** Immovable Property Tax **1.5%**

TAXATION IN RĒZEKNE SEZ:

Corporate Income Tax applicable on dividends **4**%* Immovable Property Tax **0.3-0**%**

Since 2018 corporate income tax for reinvested profit in Latvia is 0%

80% immovable property tax is guaranteed by the law, additional 20% discount can be granted by the local municipality

COSTS AND RESOURCES







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COMPETITIVE LABOUR COSTS AND PRODUCTIVITY

Latvia has **4th lowest labour costs per hour in the EU**, furthermore labour costs in Rēzekne are among the most competitive in Latvia

QUALITY OF LABOUR

95 % being able to speak at least one more language other than mother tongue

54 % being able to speak at least two more languages other than mother tongue

One of the highest university enrolment rate in the world (67%, gross enrolment rate)

HUMAN RESOURCES



RĒZEKNE ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGIES

Bachelor, master and doctoral study programs **55** curriculas, **1700** students

Particular specialization in technical sciences – **36%** of full time students study in engineering faculty

One of the most modern study laboratories in Latvia and the Baltic states in areas of laser technologies and mechatronics

RÉZEKNE TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Vocational education

18 curriculas including wooden article manufacturing, motor transport, construction works, marketing, food product technology, IT systems, programming, energy industry and electrical engineering, administrative and secretary services, interior design, hotel services

Around 900 students



REMARKABLE GROWTH FOR REZEKNE SEZ ENTERPRISES

20,5 % annual increase of turnover25,4 % annual increase of profit16 % of international enterprises plan to expand their presence within next two years

RÉZEKNE SEZ AUTHORITY SERVICES

Rēzekne SEZ authority provides support and personalized services to **more than 100 enterprises per year:**

- Consultations on state and regional business incentives
- Site selection and visits
- Connection to regional service providers
- Information on the business environment and incentives in Rēzekne SEZ







RĒZEKNESEZ ENTERPRISES

The number of companies:

19 (2018)

Totally Rēzekne SEZ companies employed **947 workers (2018)**

The overall turnover in 2018

~ 105 million EUR

EXAMPLES OF EXELLENCE

"VEREMS"

Plywood mill "VEREMS" produces unique large format birch plywood

"LEAX Rēzekne"

"LEAX Rēzekne" produces spare parts for automotive, mining and machine building industries

"NewFuels"

The largest producer of industrial wood pellets in the Baltic States

LATGALIAN IDENTITY







RĒZEKNE CITY AND MUNICIPALITY – HEART OF LATGALIAN CULTURE

Longstanding traditions of craftsmanship, pottery, woodcarving, strong faith and diligence – these are the traditional values of our region

First acoustic concert hall in Latvia – the **Embassy of Latgale** "**GORS**", which is still considered the best by many world-known musicians

Centre of creative services "Zeimuļs" for children and youth activities with unique architecture and one of the largest green roofs in the Baltic States

Lūznava Manor – Art Nouveau gem of Latgale region offers permanent and temporary exhibitions, concerts for all tastes, space for creative workshops and guided tours for visitors

THE LAND OF BLUE LAKES







NATURE'S TREASURES

Over 40 % territory is covered by forests, a vast network of free-flowing rivers and **1000 lakes**The largest lake in Latvia – **Lake Lubāns** (82,1 km²) and the second largest – **Lake Rāzna** (57,6 km²) often referred to as the Sea of Latgola

PLACES TO VISIT

Water Tourism Centre «Bāka» in Lake Lubāns wetland – new and facilitated place for enjoying sports and culture activities such as tennis, volleyball, water skiing, kite surfing, fishing, swimming bird watching etc.

Lake Rāzna and the third highest hill of Latvia Lielais
Liepukalns (289 m above sea level) are tourist attraction
objects of the national scale with their stable position on the
tourism map of Latvia



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