

**Experience of the University of
Latvia and the vision “Formula
“Future of Latvia 2050””**

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**University of Latvia
brief history**

Early universities in this region

Vilnius University - 1579

University of Tartu - 1632 (closed
1710–1802)

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German language Riga Polytechnical institute

1862



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University of Latvia 1919



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Library of the University of Latvia 1524



**Riga Medical institute
in 1950 separated from
the University of Latvia**

**Riga Polytechnical
institute in 1956
separated from the
University of Latvia**

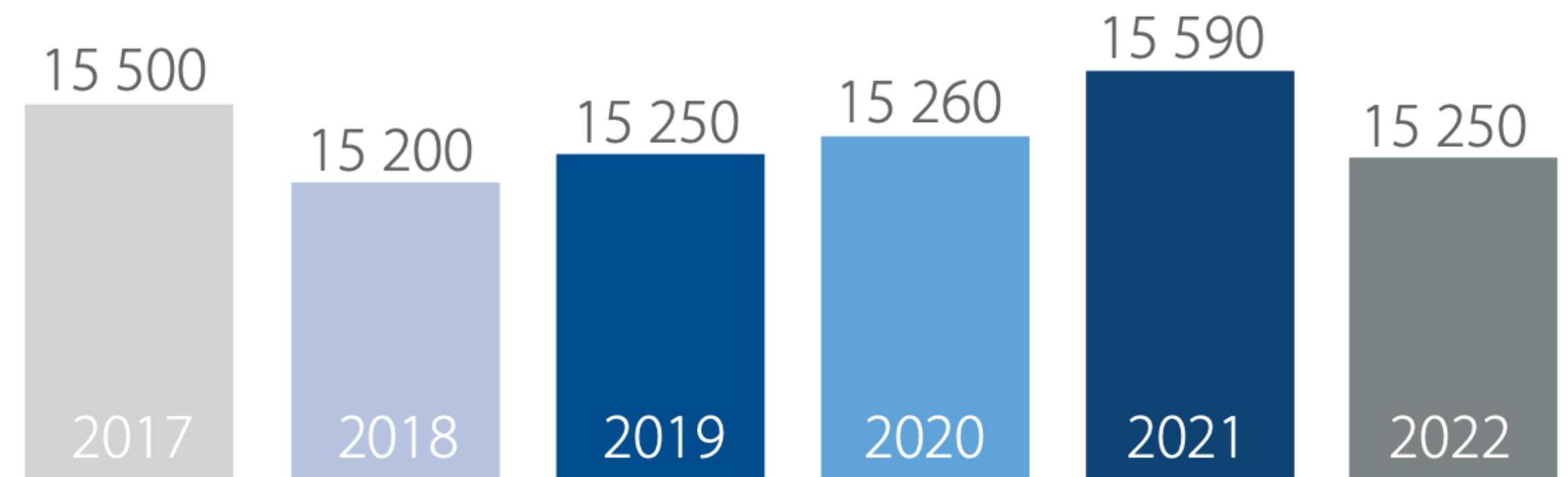
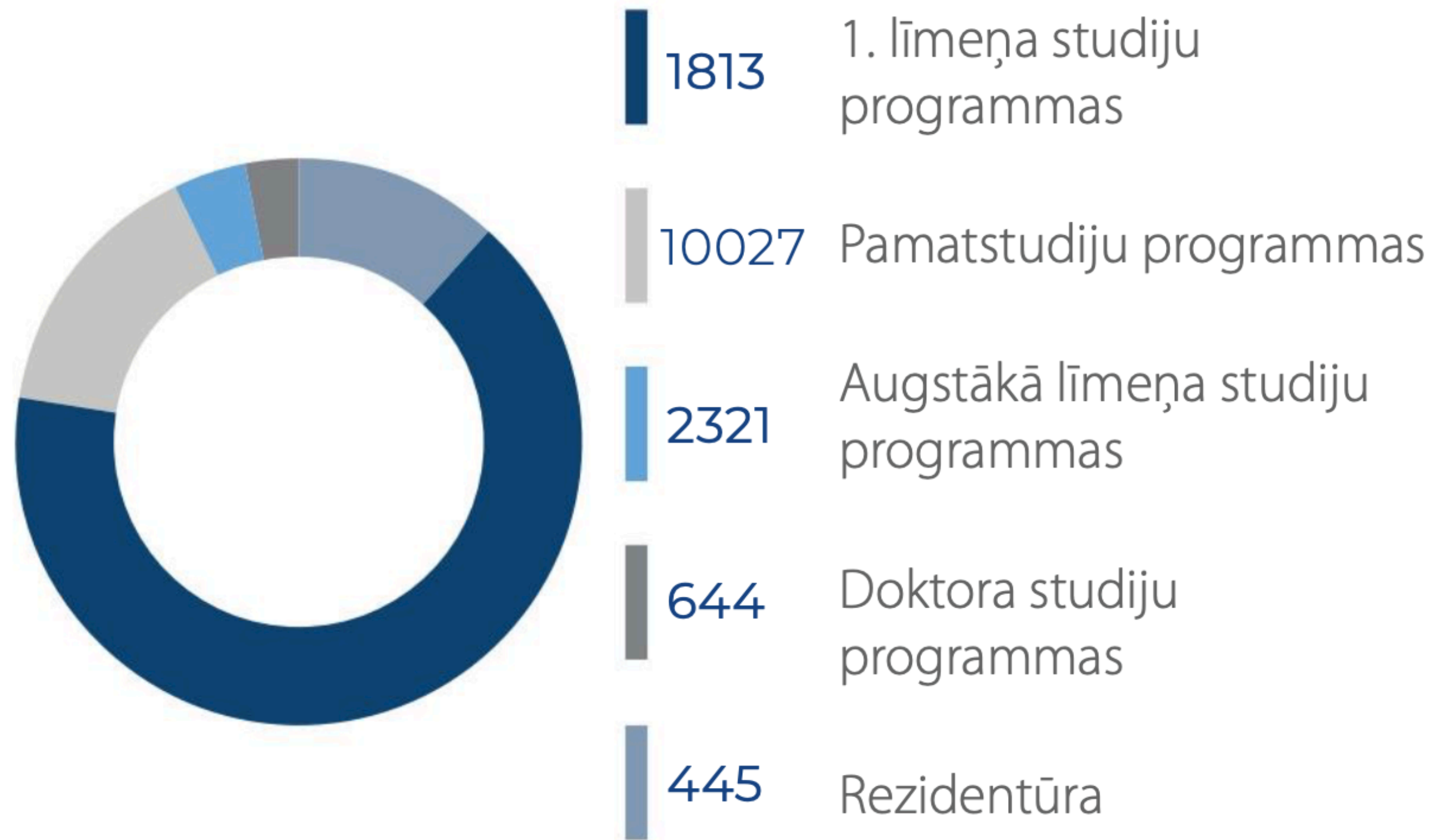
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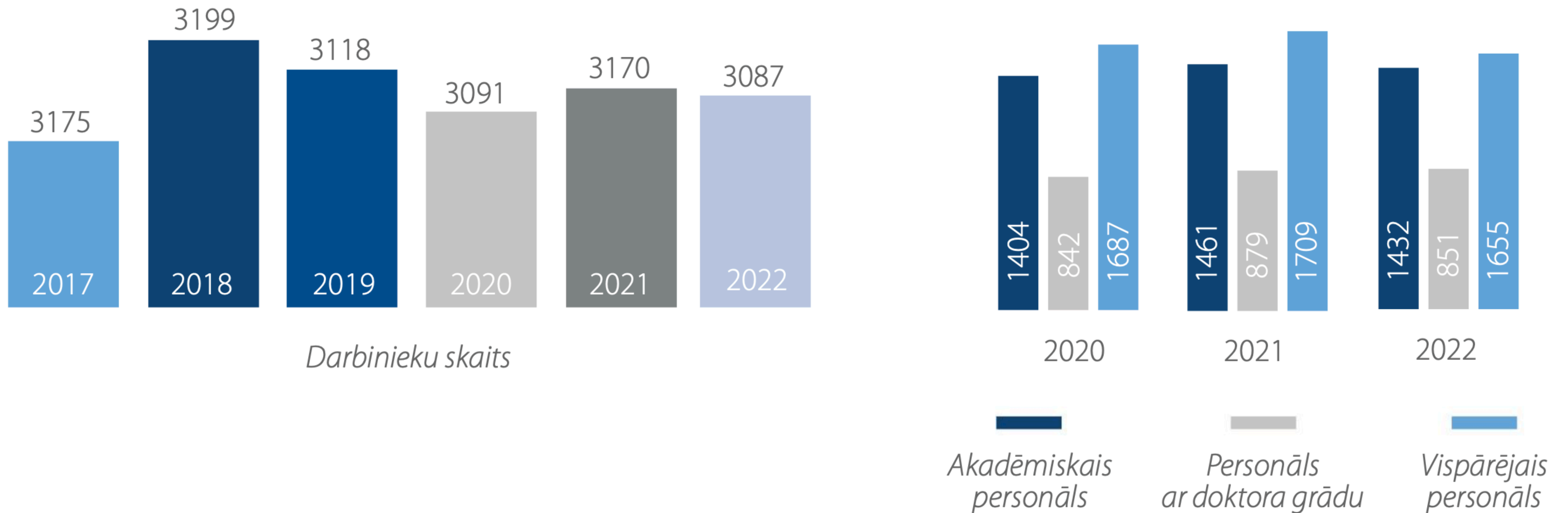
**LU sekmīga darbība ir
garants Latvijas attīstībai**

**The success of the University
of Latvia is a guarantee for
development of Latvia**

Students



Employees



Budget (Income part)

Ieņēmumi 2022, miljonos EUR



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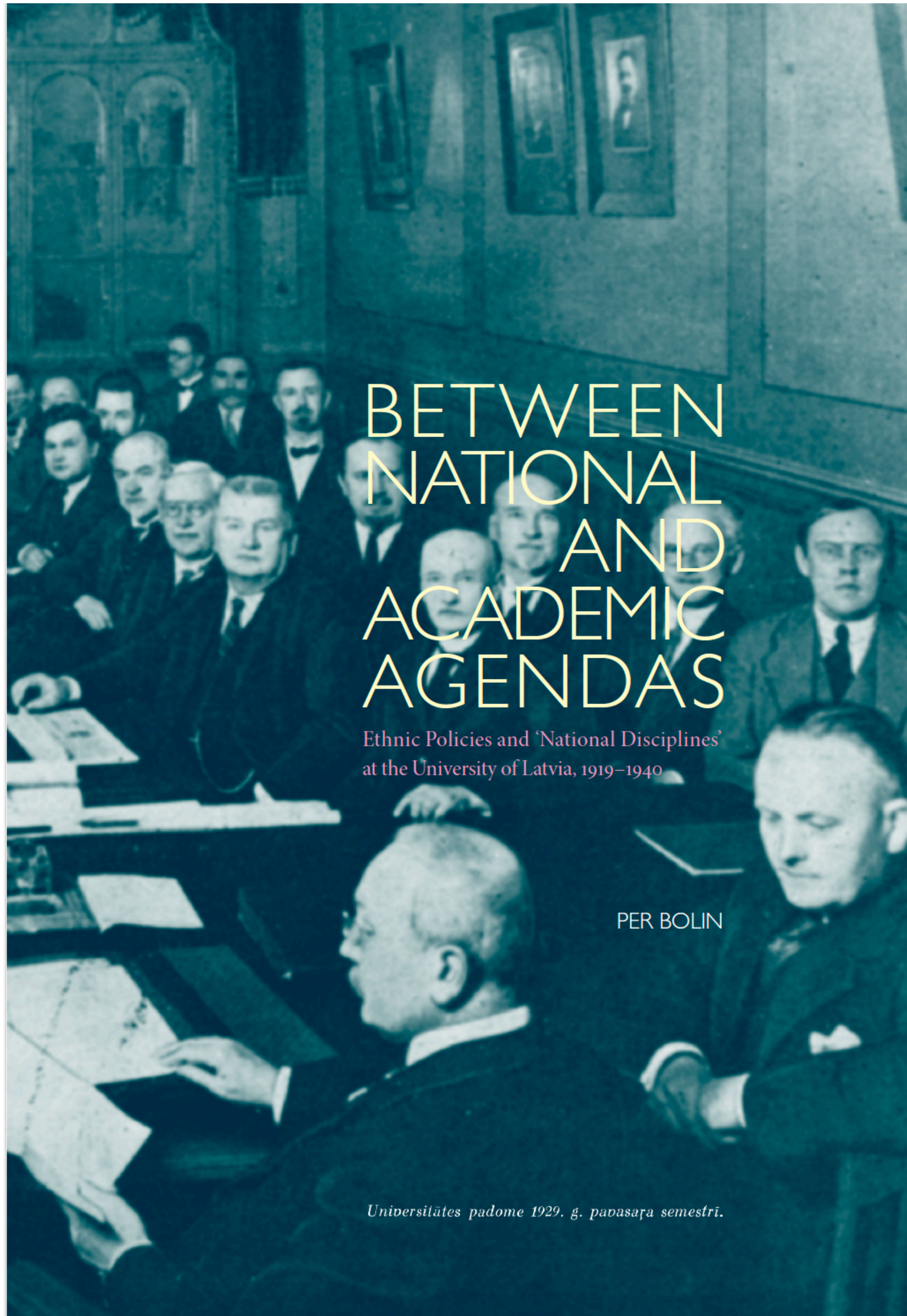


Inherent duality

National University

**International research
university**

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Between national and academic agendas

Third mission First example Higher education organization in Latvia

**2007 - open letter to the
Prime Minister**

University governance

Dynamics of governance

Professional governance

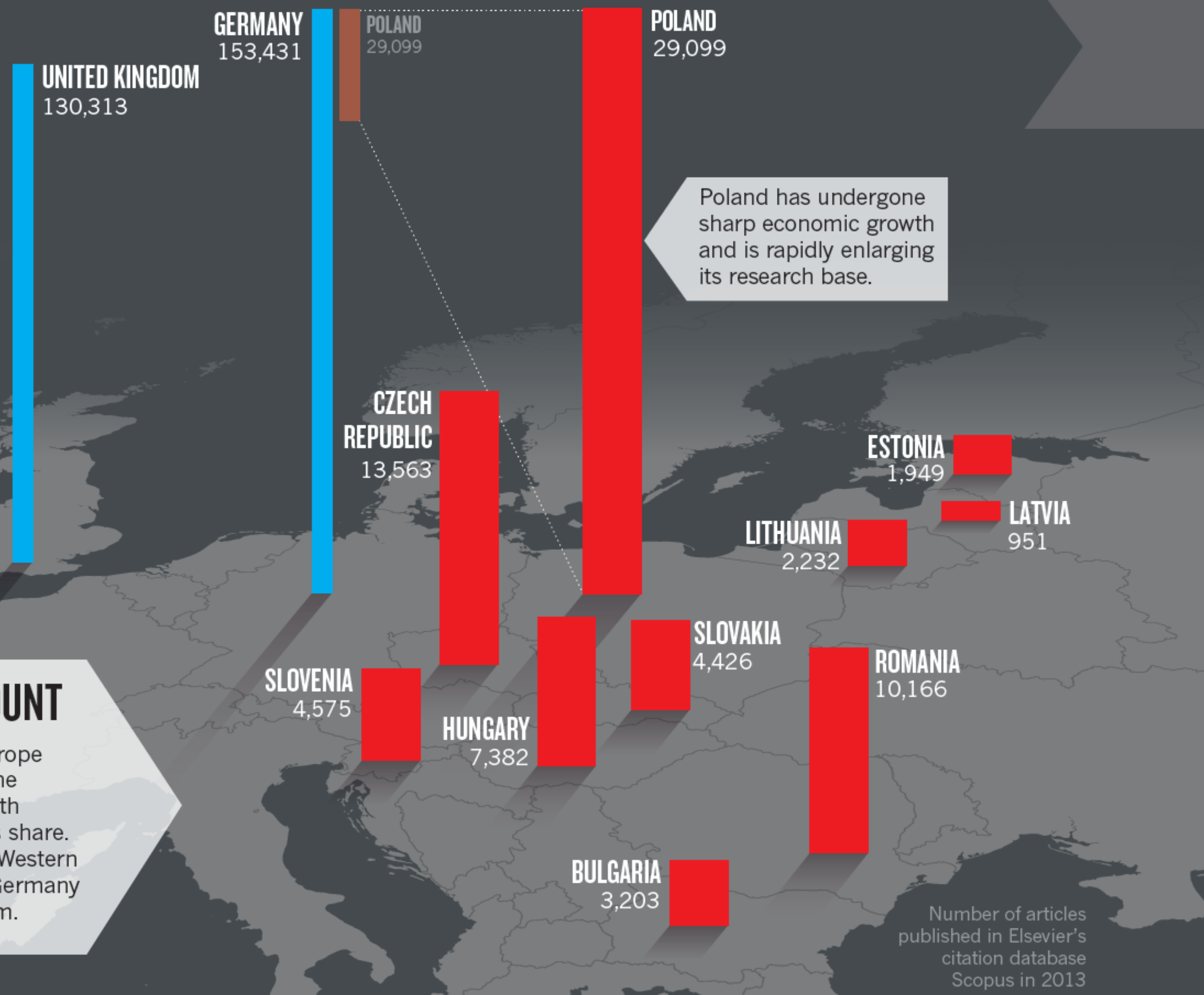
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SCIENCE IN THE NEW EUROPE

Since 2004, 11 former communist states have joined the European Union, gaining funding that has aided an economic upswing and increased investment in science. But they have followed different trajectories. Some are fully embracing modern science and are almost equal partners in Europe; others lag behind.

PUBLICATION COUNT

Central and Eastern Europe produce about 4% of the world's publications, with Poland taking the lion's share. This is still dwarfed by Western powerhouses such as Germany and the United Kingdom.



Poland has undergone sharp economic growth and is rapidly enlarging its research base.

Number of articles published in Elsevier's citation database Scopus in 2013

**Commission lead by the
minister of Economics was
established**

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Too many higher education institutions (30+)

Too many universities (6)

No clear typology of the higher education institutions

Governance - Board

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Gandhi: “First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win” (it becomes commonly accepted)

Ranking

National ranking

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Augstskola (Top 13)	◆ 2013 ^[18] ◆	2014 ^[19] ◆	2015 ^[20] ◆
Latvijas Universitāte	922	926	915
Rīgas Tehniskā universitāte	835	854	895
Rīgas Stradiņa universitāte	850	848	794
Latvijas Lauksaimniecības universitāte	554	590	681
Daugavpils Universitāte	617	649	618
Rīgas Juridiskā augstskola	310,5	353,5	533
Rīgas Ekonomikas augstskola	450	516,5	491
Ventspils augstskola	509	542,5	474
RPIVA	440	415	459
Transporta un sakaru institūts	411	451,5	450
Biznesa augstskola "Turība"	473,5	443,5	441
Latvijas Sporta pedagoģijas akadēmija	410	427,5	433
Liepājas Universitāte	390	435,5	425

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International ranking

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Delfi 2015. The University of Latvia (UL) has been ranked in the Top 800 of the Times Higher Education (THE) Best Universities in the World. Latvia should be proud, says Andrejs Rauhvargers, Head of the Higher Education Quality Agency

Typology of higher education institutions

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Higher education institutions and science institutions run study programmes, as well as research and artistic activities. The following types of universities exist: universities of science, universities of arts and culture, universities of applied sciences and institutes of applied sciences. The type of university is determined by its founder.

University board

Board of Research (Science) University

5 members elected by Senates of the university

5 members approved by the Cabinet of Ministers

1 member nominated by the President of Latvia

Responsibility of the Board

Strategy of the University

Budget of the University

Selection of the rector of the University

Number of higher education institutions

**Third mission
Second example
Strategy for the
development of country**

**Association
Formula for Latvia 2050**

Founders

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- **Juris Binde - LMT President**
- **Laimdota Straujuma - ex-prime minister**
- **Ieva Teterē - SEB bank Latvia, President**
- **Gundars Bērziņš - LU, Dean of faculty of Business, Management and Economics**
- **Andris Nātriņš - School of business and finances, professor**
- **Ģirts Rungainis - Entrepreneur**
- **Mārcis Auziņš - LU, professor**

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- **Academic researchers**
- **Antreprenours**
- **Politicians, and executives**

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Inner development factors - October 2017

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International factors - February 2018

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**Third Forum
Latvia on the road to become a Smart State. Synthesis of
Education, Science and Technology, 21 June 2018**

Target audience

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- **Society in general - all of us**
- **Decission makers**

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National development plan

2020 - 2027

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**Prime ministers
office, 2017**

Formation of government, 2022

**High-level expert
conference**

**"Cornerstones of Latvia's
National Development"**

28 October 2022 at 12.00

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