Sustainable development of railway infrastructure in Latvia

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)Infrastructure manager

- ▶ 1859 km of railway lines
 - 248 km electrified lines

>Freight operator

- 14 991 million net ton km
- ▶ 77% freight market share
- **)** 75 stations and freight terminals

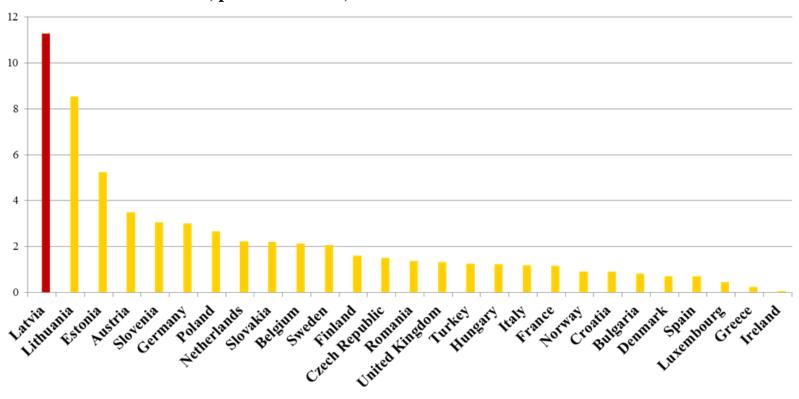
Wagon keeper

- **)** 6815 freight wagons
- Traction fleet owner
 - **≥** 203 locomotives
 - incl. 66 shunting locomotives
- International passenger operator
 - **)**# 360 thousand passengers
 - **7.5%** growth over 2012
- >Supporting businesses



In Latvia – the most intensive use of rail infrastructure for freight transportation

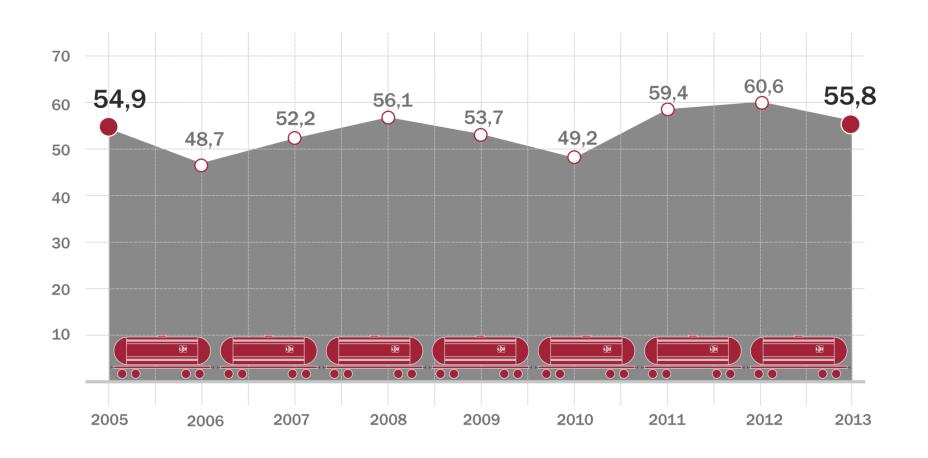
million ton kilometres, per 1 km of line, 2012



Source: Eurostat



Freight transport volumes (million tons)

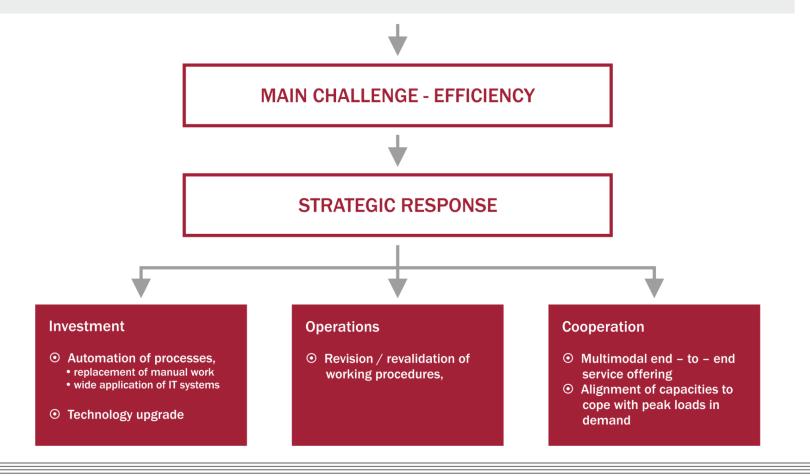


Source: LDz



Sustainability for the future

- Steady demand forecast as global demand shifts to Asia and more competition regionally
- Tightening regulatory requirements (Directive 2012/34/EU)





Major investments in public railway infrastructure in 2014-2015

Planned investment projects

Total amount: 262.6 million EUR

- Reconstruction of marshalling hump in Šķirotava station
- Construction of station Bolderāja 2 with connecting track to terminals in Krievu sala
- Modernization of signaling, telecommunications and power supply systems in section Bolderāja 1 -Zasulauks
- Construction of the second track in section Skrīveri Krustpils
- Track renewal in sections of Rail Baltica corridor (Rail Baltica 1)

New investment projects

Total amount: 159.1 million EUR

- Replacement of turnouts supply of turnouts
- Reconstruction of tracks
- Modernization of centralization system in Šķirotava station
- Modernization of data transmission network
- Modernization of signaling system and reconstruction of rail tracks in Liepāja station
- Modernization of rail passenger service infrastructure



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Investment perspective 2014-2020

- To keep the competitiveness, massive investments are needed for modernization!
- Until 2020 more than 800 million EUR are planned to be invested in the largest infrastructure projects, which are included in the National Development Plan and/or the Transport Development Guidelines
- Most of these projects can be implemented if the public funding is available

- **Description** Electrification of East-West railway corridor and Riga suburban passenger lines
- Implementation of unified train traffic planning and control system
- **Onstruction of GSM-R wireless communications network**
- Implementation of dispatcher centralization
- Reconstruction and modernization of major railway junctions
- Modernization of passenger access and service infrastructure



Thank you for your attention!