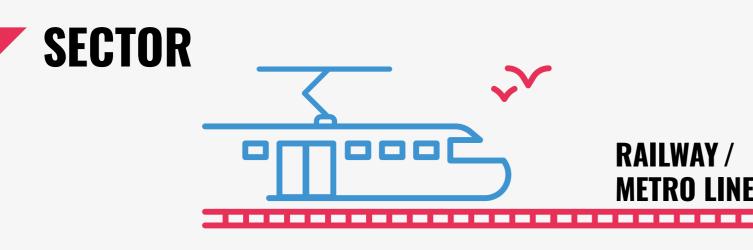






# RELEVANCE





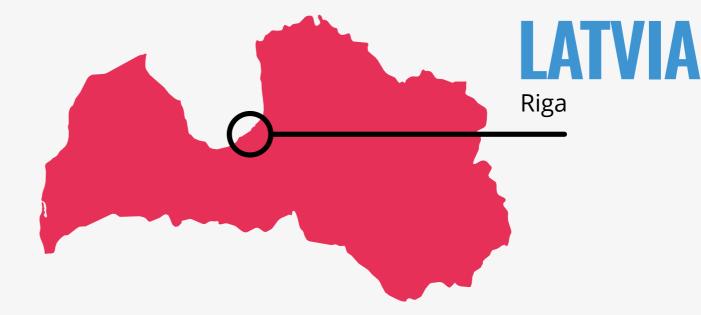
Extension of the tram system in Riga

## **EXPECTED # OF BENEFICIARIES**

Estimates from 2015-2016, number of passengers on the new tram route:

## **PROJECT**



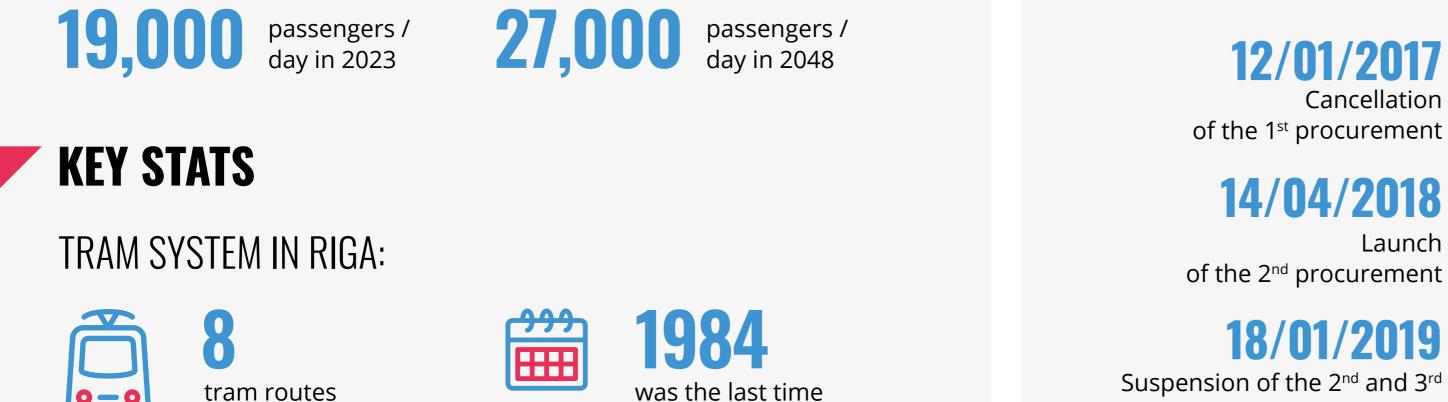


Cancellation

Launch







that a completely new

was built in Riga

tram route infrastructure

Suspension of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> procurement and appointment of new procurement commission

Signature of IP by contracting authority

### 28/07/2017

Relaunch of the 1<sup>st</sup> procurement

### 12/12/2018

Launch of the 3<sup>rd</sup> procurement

### 02/05/2019

Monitored project terminated

Original end of project

COSTS



#### EU Cohesion Funds: €70 million

Riga Traffic (CA): €27.4 million

## **MONITORING REPORTS**



DOWNLOAD the periodic monitoring reports at: https://delna.lv/lv/intergritates\_pakts\_2016/uzraudzitieiepirkumi/

tram routes cover a total distance of

101 км

### IN 2017:



**32.7 MILLION** passengers used the tram system in Riga, almost 90,000 passengers/day

# MAIN RECOMMENDATIONS



 Requirement of inclusion of independent and high-level technical expertise in Public Procurement Commissions for complex infrastructure projects at the national and local level

 Introduction of measures for increasing foreign competition in complex infrastructure procurements in small markets

 Introduction of mandatory, secure and reliable whistleblowing systems for companies and their employees in all EU-funded procurement projects

## IRREGULARITIES



Procurement documents tailored for one bidder in the 1<sup>st</sup> procurement ("Development of construction plan for a new tram infrastructure section")

• Suspicion of document forgery in the 2<sup>nd</sup> procurement (relaunched tender -"Development of construction plan for a new tram infrastructure section")

• Excessively restrictive bid requirements and questionable validity of technical evaluation criteria in the tendering and awards of the 3<sup>rd</sup> procurement ("On the delivery of low-floor trams")

## **MAIN RESULTS**



 Early detection and prevention of irregularities and single-bidding situations in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> procurements and saving of public resources

 Better institutional processes and stronger cooperation between procurement oversight authority and civil society monitor in addressing corruption risks in the procurement cycle

Increased government's willingness to introduce Integrity Pacts to monitor EU-funded procurements in Latvia's municipalities

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