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# Clusterization in Latvia

# Industry Summary



- Clusterization in Latvia started in 2012 with National Clusters support programme



- **Latvian Cluster Network was founded on 1st July 2019**



- Members – 14 clusters



- Totally in Latvia – 16 clusters



- Total number of members – 580



- Total turnover in 2018 –
  - 1 762 000 000 EUR



- Total export –
  - 610 000 000 EUR

# Latvian Cluster Network

Main objective is to strengthen Clusters in Latvia.

## **Common activities:**

- ✓ Development of Latvian Cluster Network
- ✓ Representation of Latvian Clusters at national and international level
- ✓ Join to European Cluster Alliance
- ✓ Promoting cooperation between Clusters in Latvia
- ✓ Develop common initiatives, projects and events at Latvian and International level
- ✓ Strengthen cooperation and coordinated actions for Cluster development in Latvia



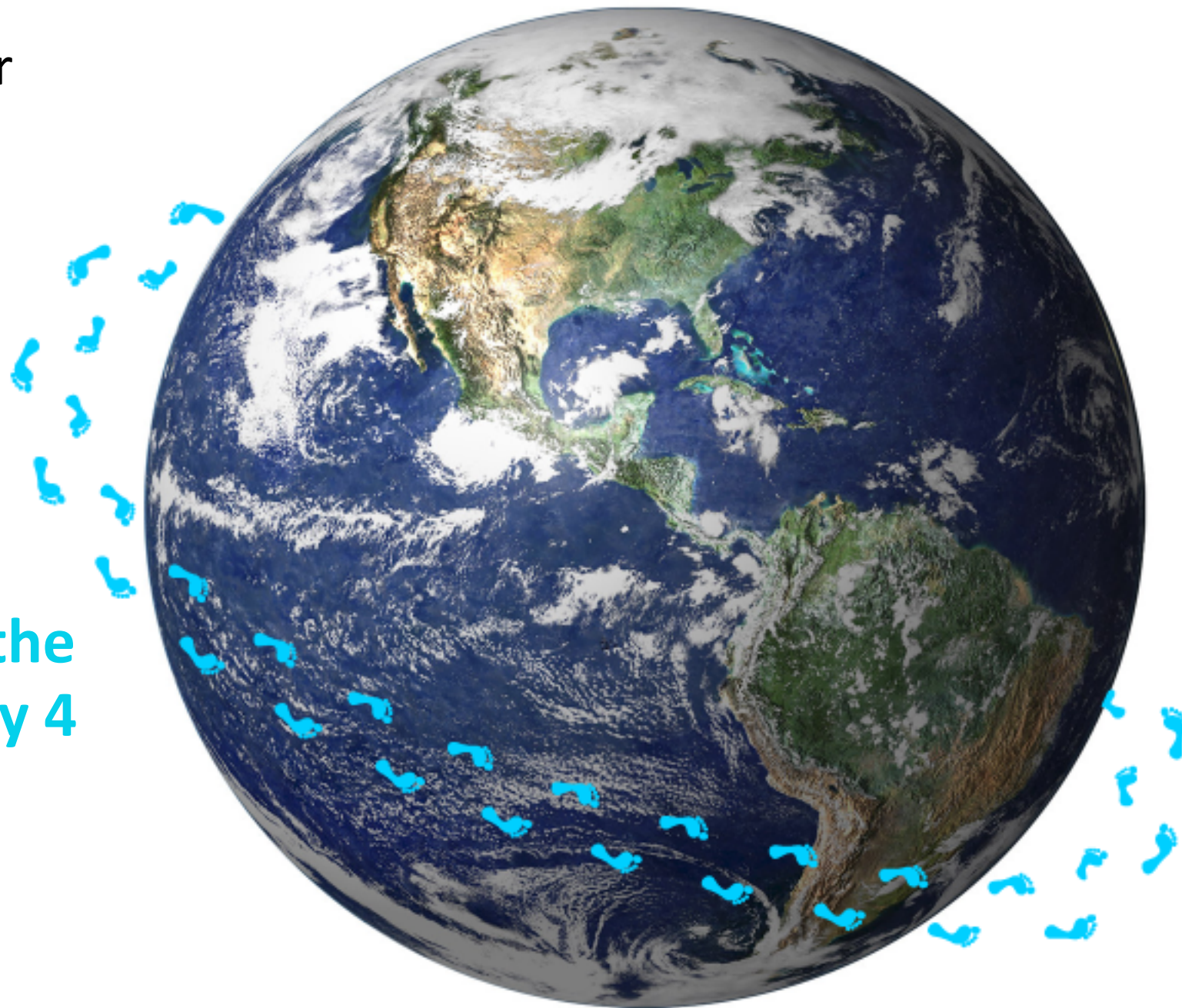
- Latvian exports rise by an average of 7% a year in recent years.

- At the same time, export turnover in Latvian Clusters is growing almost twice – by 13%.

In 2018, all clusters together  
provided consultations


for **28 711 hours**

It's enough to get **around the  
globe with its feet nearly 4  
times!**



# Latvian Clusters in Numbers (2017)

Cluster	Number of members	Turnover EUR	Export EUR	Contacts	www
<b>Food Product Quality Cluster</b>	68	257 024 870	80 652 974	<a href="mailto:amands.lejas-krumins@lpuf.lv">amands.lejas-krumins@lpuf.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.ppkk.lv">www.ppkk.lv</a>
<b>Latvian Health Tourism Cluster</b>	60	325 222 061	29 842 997	<a href="mailto:gunta@healthtravellatvia.lv">gunta@healthtravellatvia.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.healthtravellatvia.lv/lv/klasteris-0">http://www.healthtravellatvia.lv/lv/klasteris-0</a>
<b>Green-tech Latvia</b>	44	102 950 557	45 408 181	<a href="mailto:info@greentechlatvia.eu">info@greentechlatvia.eu</a>	<a href="http://www.greentechlatvia.eu/">http://www.greentechlatvia.eu/</a>
<b>Latvian IT Cluster,</b>	43	101 030 068	22 297 308	<a href="mailto:itcluster@itbaltic.com">itcluster@itbaltic.com</a>	<a href="http://www.itbaltic.com/">http://www.itbaltic.com/</a>
<b>Metalworking cluster MAS OC</b>	43	121 028 400	63 336 792	<a href="mailto:masoc@masoc.lv">masoc@masoc.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.masoc.lv/aktivitates/projekti/klastera-projekts">http://www.masoc.lv/aktivitates/projekti/klastera-projekts</a>
<b>Tourism Cluster Enter Gauja</b>	37	18 600 124	4 374 247	<a href="mailto:info@entergauja.com">info@entergauja.com</a>	<a href="http://www.entergauja.com/lv/">http://www.entergauja.com/lv/</a>
<b>CLEANTECH LATVIA</b>	35	50 175 979	11 467 853	<a href="mailto:info@cleantechlatvia.com">info@cleantechlatvia.com</a>	<a href="http://www.cleantechlatvia.com/">http://www.cleantechlatvia.com/</a>
<b>Latvian Export Cluster</b>	34	112 063 644	62 845 356	<a href="mailto:cluster@chamber.lv">cluster@chamber.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.chamber.lv/lv/exportcluster">http://www.chamber.lv/lv/exportcluster</a>
<b>Latvian electronics and electrical engineering cluster LETERA</b>	34	79 883 866	50 509 647	<a href="mailto:ilgmars.purmalis@letera.lv">ilgmars.purmalis@letera.lv</a>	<a href="https://www.letera.lv/par-klasteri/">https://www.letera.lv/par-klasteri/</a>
<b>Smart City Cluster of Latvia</b>	33	111 863 459	38 728 026	<a href="mailto:info@smartcity.lv">info@smartcity.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.smartcity.lv/%E2%80%8B">http://www.smartcity.lv/%E2%80%8B</a>
<b>Print and media technology cluster,</b>	32	41 832 757	17 728 901	<a href="mailto:ieva@lpua.lv">ieva@lpua.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.lpua.lv/">http://www.lpua.lv/</a>
<b>Life Science Cluster of Latvia</b>	30	78 025 923	47 820 870	<a href="mailto:lakifa@lakifa.lv">lakifa@lakifa.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.lakifa.lv/lv/jaunumi/klasteraprojekts/">http://www.lakifa.lv/lv/jaunumi/klasteraprojekts/</a>
<b>Latvian wood construction cluster</b>	30	177 710 542	106 791 382	<a href="mailto:gatis@woodhouses.lv">gatis@woodhouses.lv</a>	<a href="http://woodhouses.lv/lv">http://woodhouses.lv/lv</a>
<b>Latvian Security and Defence Cluster</b>	30	69 858 169	10 848 601	<a href="mailto:klasteris@federacija.lv">klasteris@federacija.lv</a>	<a href="http://www.federacija.lv/">http://www.federacija.lv/</a>



# Latvian National EU programmms connected with Clusters

- ✓ Ministry of the Economics of Latvia has done a great job supporting the Clusters – National Cluster Programme
- ✓ Main support to main sectors (IT, Agro-Food, Electronics, Forestry, Metalworking, Chemistry and Pharmacy) and cross-sector (Smart City, Cleantech)
- ✓ National Cluster Programme supports sector Clusters and cross-sector Clusters:
  - ❖ export missions;
  - ❖ common research for all the sector or subsector;
  - ❖ cooperation with educational establishments;
  - ❖ other.

# Latvian National EU programmms connected with Clusters

Support for new products and technologies development in Competence Centers



Aim of the program - To increase the competitiveness of merchants by promoting cooperation between the research and industry sectors in the implementation of industrial research, new product and technology development projects



Funding is provided to implementers of individual research and cooperation research projects:

- For industrial research;
- For experimental development;
- For feasibility study for research



## Competence Centers

- The industry, together with the Ministry of Economy, is preparing financing decisions
- Advantage to cross-sectoral projects
- Advantage to products with higher export potential
- Sinergy between National Clusters programme and Competence Centers programme

The logo for the Latvian Food Competence Center is a large, dark blue circle with a white, splattered, ink-like border. The text "Latvian Food Competence Center" is written in white, sans-serif font across the middle of the circle.

# Latvian Food Competence Center

total project costs: 4 898 020.74, including  
ERDF support 2 990 156.29 EUR, private  
funding 1 907 864.45 EUR

Project duration: 01.09.2016-31.12.2018

Achieved indicators:

supported projects – 30

supported enterprises – 30

developed new technologies – 23

developed new products – 182.

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# Thank you

