

2023 CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE SESSIONS OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODIES

MULTILATERAL ASSESSMENT -LATVIA

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AREA

64 569 km²



POPULATION

1.9 million



GDP PER CAPITA (2021)

38'024 EUR



GHG EMISSIONS (2021)

10 738.12 kt CO₂ eq

0.3% of EU total



Latvia is among the **most densely forested countries in Europe (~ 52%)**

Latvia has one of the **lowest population density in Europe**

TOWARDS CLIMATE NEUTRALITY 2050

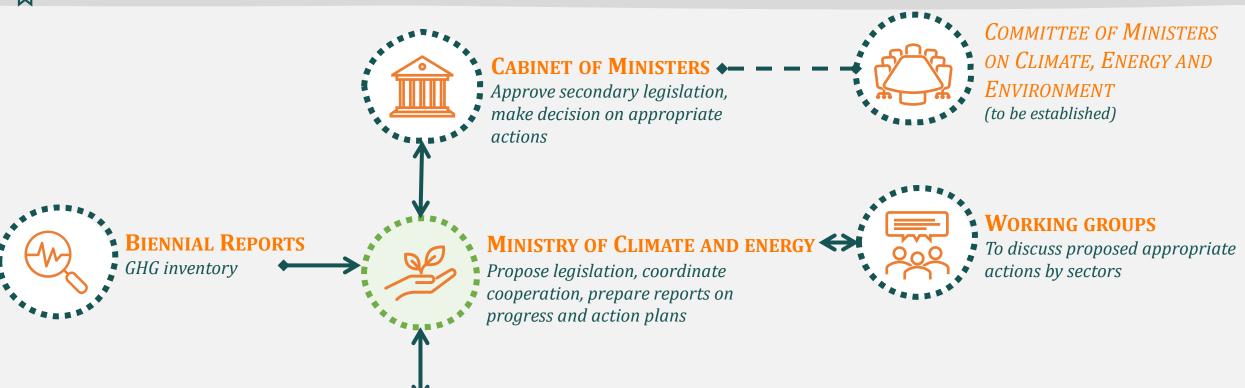
LATVIA'S EMISSION REDUCTION COMMITMENTS



INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR CLIMATE POLICY



Policy framework: Law on Pollution →Climate Law | Climate Neutrality Strategy by 2050 | National Energy and Climate Plan 2030



SECTORAL MINISTRIES*

To propose appropriate actions relevant to according ministry's domain.

* Incl. ministries responsible for Agriculture, Economics, Education and Science, Environment Protection and Regional Development, Finance, Foreign Affairs, Health, Internal Affairs, Transportation

LATVIA'S GHG EMISSIONS BY SECTORS

 $(kt CO_2 eq.)$

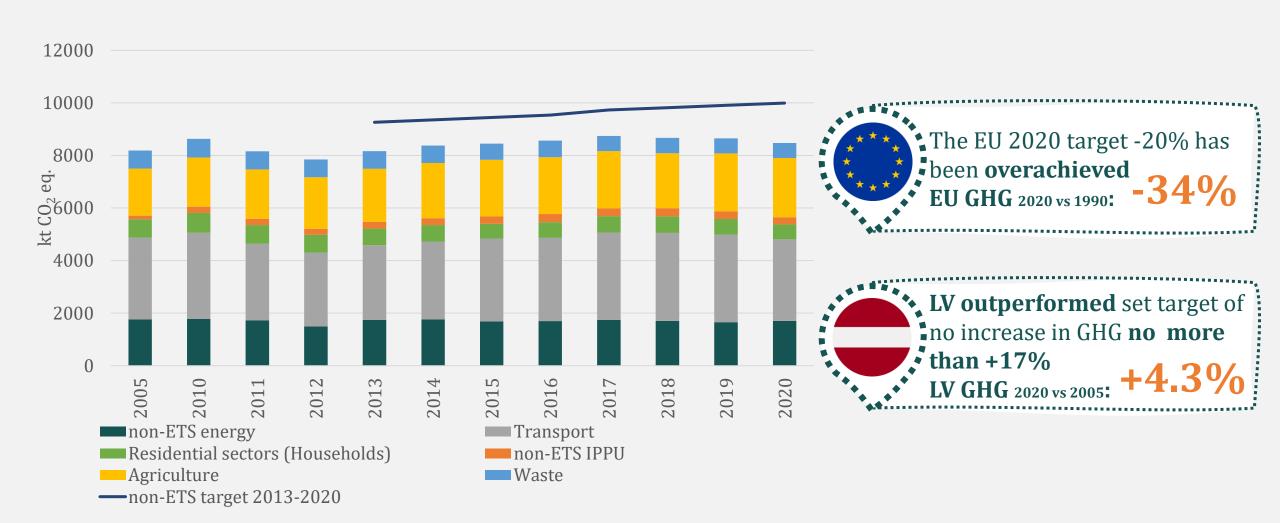


Energy Industrial processes and product use Agriculture Waste Indirect CO_2 Total (without LULUCF, with indirect CO_2)



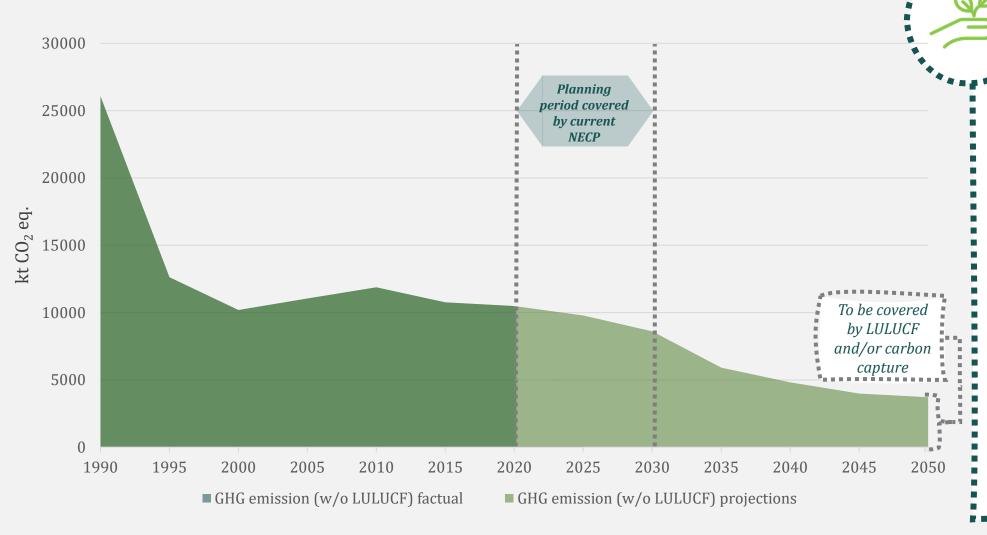
LATVIA OUTPERFORMED

2020 GHG EMISSION TARGET



GHG PROJECTIONS

TOWARDS CLIMATE NEUTRALITY



Ministry of Climate and Energy is preparing updated National Energy and Climate plan for 2030.

Latvian public and private sectors are determined to work towards common objectives to reach 2030 target for GHG emission reductions and climate neutrality until 2050

GHG EMISSION REDUCTION POLICIES AND MEASURES



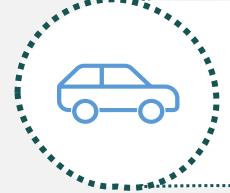
RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES

support programmes for transition to renewables (e.g. solar, biomass, heat pumps) for industry, district & individual heating



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

support programmes for increasing of energy efficiency in individual and multi-apartment buildings, industry and heating, energy auditing & energy certification obligations schemes



TRANSPORT

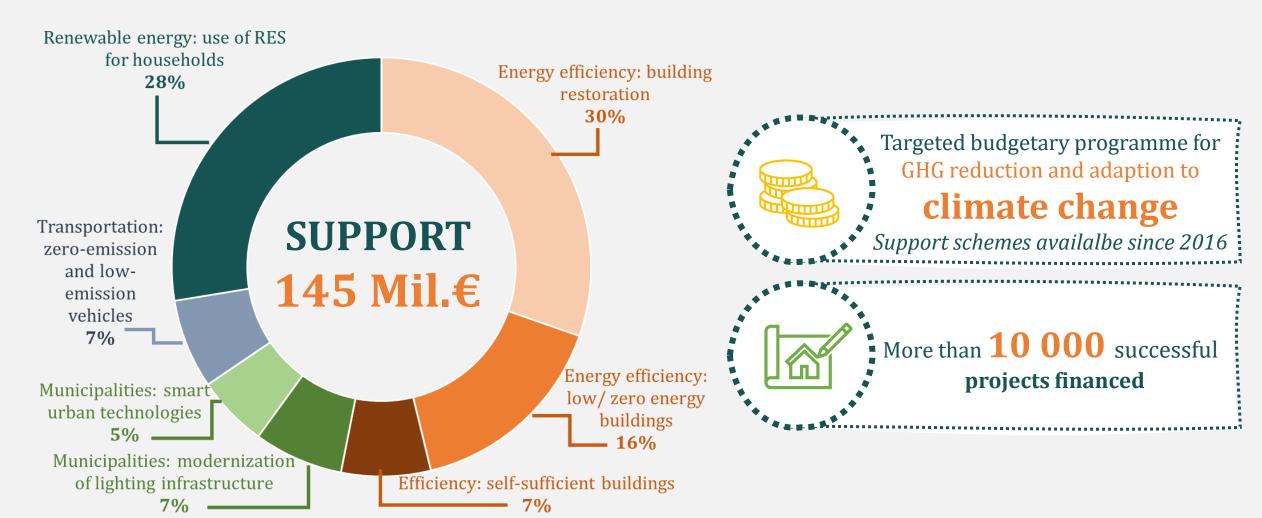
support programmes to promote electric vehicles and charging infrastructure, mandatory biofuels blending, public procurement for clean vehicles, Greening transport in the Riga metropolitan area



CROSS SECTORAL PAMS

fiscal instruments (CO₂ tax in synergy with air polluting emissions taxation), public information and education programs.

EMISSION ALLOWANCE AUCTIONING INSTRUMENT FINANCIAL AID TOWARDS CLIMATE NEUTRALITY



LESSONS LEARNED ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES

59% *GHG reductions between* **1990 and 2021**

3rd

highest share of renewables in the final consumption in EU (2021)

4th

Intensity of electricity generation in EU (2022)

20x

20-fold increse in installed capacity for
solar panels between 2021
and 2023

Significant share of current GHG emissions are in slow-to-adjust sectors such as transport.



Housing stock is old and has **low energy efficiency**. Renovation pace
limited by available workforce and/or
materials.



FEEDBACK ON INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENT AND REVIEW PROCESS

GOOD
CO-OPERATION
WITH THE REVIEW
TEAM

















