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**LV-C[C3]-I[3-1-1-3-i-] Investments in business public infrastructure for the development of industrial parks and areas in regions**

**LV-C[C3]-I[3-1-1-3-i-]-T[96] Construction completed of industrial parks/territories where public infrastructure is developed in the regions**

**Date of completion:** **Q4 2025**

**1) Context: description of the measure and relevant context from the CID annex** [text in full from the English version]

The general objective of this investment is to support the infrastructure of industrial zones and attract investors and firms to Latvia’s regions outside Riga helping to create high added-value and exportoriented jobs and to reduce the development divide between Riga region and the rest of the country. The measure consists of the adoption of a support programme for the development of industrial parks and territories in the regions; tendering and awarding contracts for the development of industrial parks to specific beneficiaries who have developed an industrial territory or park development strategy or business plan; signing at least four letters of intent or contracts with internationally recognised industrial park operators and/or potential tenants providing for the attraction/execution of additional private sector investments of at least EUR 85 700 000. Finally, the measure includes the completion of the construction of at least four industrial parks of national importance in the regions, including the establishment of necessary utility connections (including heating, water and sewerage, electricity), renewal or installation of access roads near industrial areas, as well as the development of buildings intended for commercial purposes and their related infrastructure. As a result of the measure, at least 328 new jobs with average salaries exceeding the average salaries in the respective economic sector shall be created. In order to ensure that the measure complies with the ‘Do no significant harm’ Technical Guidance (2021/C58/01), the eligibility criteria contained in terms of reference for upcoming calls for projects shall exclude the following list of activities: (i) activities related to fossil fuels, including downstream use21; (ii) activities under the EU Emission Trading System (ETS) achieving projected greenhouse gas emissions that are not lower than the relevant benchmarks22; (iii) activities related to waste landfills, incinerators23 and mechanical biological treatment plants24; and (iv) activities where the long-term disposal of waste may cause harm to the environment. The terms of reference shall additionally require that only activities that comply with relevant EU and national environmental legislation may be selected. The implementation of the investment shall be completed by 31 August 2026.

**2) Copy of the milestone/target wording** [text in full from the English version]

| Seq.num | Measure (reform or investment) | Milestone/Target | Name | Qualitative indicators (for milestones) | Quantitative indicators (for targets) | | | Indicative timetable for completion | | Reporting and implementation responsibility | Description of each milestone and target |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Unit of measure | Baseline | Goal | Quarter | Year |
| 96 | C3.3-1-1-3-i- Investments in business public infrastructure for the development of industrial parks and areas in regions | Target | Construction completed of industrial parks/territories where public infrastructure is developed in the regions |  | Number | 0 | 4 | Q4 | 2025 | Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Ministry of Economics, Central Finance and Contracting Agency, municipalities | Construction completed of at least four national industrial parks/territories, including establishment of necessary industrial connections and increase of their related capacity (including heating, water and sewerage, electricity), renewal or installation of access roads near industrial areas, as well as development of buildings for commercial purposes and their related infrastructure. |

Verification mechanism:

A summary document duly justifying how the target (including all the constitutive elements) was satisfactorily fulfilled, with appropriate links to the underlying evidence. This document shall include as an annex the following documentary evidence: a) a copy of the official certificate of completion of works, and of the taking-over certificate signed by the contracting authority indicating performed works of at least four national industrial parks/territories,. b) the name, the location, a brief description of the intervention in accordance with the CID Annex; c) certification of entry into operation of the industrial parks/territories (e.g. the certificate consists of official statistics listing the number of companies/entities that have already using the infrastructure); d) extract of the relevant parts of the completed project specifications proving alignment with the description of the target and investment in the CID (e.g. establishment of necessary industrial connections and increase of their related capacity (including heating, water and sewerage, electricity), renewal or installation of access roads near industrial areas, development of buildings for commercial purposes and their related infrastructure).

Further specification: (if relevant)

**3) List of key evidence provided in FENIX**

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|  | Identifier [same as in FENIX] | Name of the evidence.  For legal acts please provide the full legal reference and date of entry into force | Short description | Link to the requirements below |
| 1 |  |  |  |  |
| 2 |  |  |  |  |
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**4) Detailed justification**

*[Explain clearly how the achievement of the milestone/target is demonstrated by the evidence provided,* ***covering ALL elements of the milestone/target and the elements of the measure description that are directly or indirectly linked to the milestone/target’s requirements.***  *(e.g. the fact that (i) a certain institution had (ii) to accomplish something (iii) in a certain way in order (iv) to achieve a certain goal (v) by a certain date). Please provide* ***a clear link between all the below elements and the one or more evidence items listed above.***

Requirement 1: ‘[excerpt from the milestones/target or the measure description]’

*[Explanation of fulfilment]*

Requirement 2: ‘[excerpt from the milestones/target or the measure description]’

*[Explanation of fulfilment]*

Requirement 3: ‘[excerpt from the milestones/target or the measure description]’

*[Explanation of fulfilment]*

[…]

Contribution to the achievement of other elements from the measure description: [evidence related to the elements that are not directly addressing the M/T but in the measure, where relevant]