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## Official Response for Country Data Dashboard

### LATVIA

*This document transposes Official Responses that were submitted by email to [info@delta87.org](mailto:info@delta87.org) or the completion of an online survey conducted by Delta 8.7.*

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Below is the Official Response for the LATVIA Dashboard.

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**Submitted via:** Email

#### Child labour

Under section Government efforts >> Policy Coordination>>>Worst forms of Child labour linked pdf file "[Cabinet of Ministers Regulations No. 206/2002 on occupations in which it is prohibited to employ young workers and exceptions.](#)" should be updated:

Cabinet of Ministers Regulation No. 206 Adopted 28 May 2002

"Regulations regarding Work in which Employment of Adolescents is prohibited and Exceptions when Employment in such Work is Permitted in Connection with Vocational Training of the Adolescent"

<https://likumi.lv/ta/en/en/id/62644-regulations-regarding-work-in-which-employment-of-adolescents-is-prohibited-and-exceptions-when-employment-in-such-work-is-permitted-in-connection-with-vocational-training-of-the-adolescent>

#### Employment (support for the unemployed):

1. Please add to the section "Government effort" new definition "Job placement services" and a quote from Support for Unemployed Persons and Persons Seeking Employment Law, 2002:

##### **"Section 17. Restrictions on the Provision of Job Placement Services**

(1) Job placement services are:

1) mediation services in job placement:

a) services within the scope of which the job placement service provider ensures for the person establishment of employment legal relationships or civil service relations, as well as work for

remuneration in international youth cultural, educational, employment and exchange of experience programmes (international au pair exchange programmes, educational and employment programmes, employment and travel and holiday employment programmes and other programmes),

b) work-finding services, understanding by this consultation with respect to job placement issues, informing regarding free work places and other equivalent services, which are provided for in order to offer or relieve a person in founding employment legal relationships,

c) services to employers in the recruitment of potential employees, except for services, which are associated with the placement of employment advertisements and advertising save as the purpose of such advertising is not the provision of job placement services;

2) services regarding securing a workforce within the scope of which the job placement service provider as an employer sends employees for a specified time period to a person for whose benefit and under whose management work shall be performed.

(2) The provision of job placement services (except manning of a ship and services to employers in the recruitment of potential employees for work in Latvia) shall be permitted to merchants to whom the State Employment Agency has issued a relevant licence.”.

2. In Section “Government Efforts” - “Targeted Government Action”, Table “Programs and Agencies for Victim Support”, please change the function of the State Employment Agency from “Provides financial support to refugees and migrant workers, including children, without income” to: “Provides targeted support to unemployed persons and job-seekers, including refugees and persons with alternative status, by profiling the unemployed, preparing individual job-search plans, providing career consultation and job search assistance, offering appropriate employment and training measures.”

3. Please add to Section “Targeted Government Action” - “Policy for Assistance”, to the [Law on Support for Unemployed Persons and Persons Seeking Employment, 2002](#), the full list to persons, entitled to support of the State Employment Agency (Section 2, Paragraph 2):

The following persons have the right to receive the support specified in this Law for unemployed persons, persons seeking employment and persons subject to the risk of unemployment:

1) a Latvian citizen or Latvian non-citizen, or a person who has a permanent residence permit in Latvia or the spouse of the abovementioned persons who has a temporary residence permit in Latvia;

2) a citizen of a European Union Member State, European Economic Area state or Swiss Confederation or a family member of the abovementioned persons who is residing lawfully in the Republic of Latvia;

3) a person who has a temporary residence permit in relation to granting of an alternative status in Latvia, or a family member of the abovementioned person who has a temporary residence permit in Latvia;

4) a person who has a permanent residence permit in relation to granting of refugee status in Latvia, or a family member of the abovementioned person who has a permanent residence permit in Latvia;

5) a person who has a European Union long-term resident residence permit in relation to granting of the European Union long-term resident status in Latvia, or the spouse of the abovementioned person who has a temporary residence permit in Latvia;

6) a person who has a temporary residence permit in relation to the granting of temporary protection status in Latvia;

7) a person who has a temporary residence permit in relation to the performance of scientific

work in Latvia;

8) a person who has a temporary residence permit in relation to the granting of victim of traffic of human beings status in Latvia;

9) a person who is a holder of a European Union blue card, residing in Latvia during the term of validity of the card (hereinafter - the person who is a holder of the European Union blue card);

10) another person who is entitled to work for any employer in the Republic of Latvia and who has obtained a temporary residence permit in accordance with the laws and regulations regarding work permits for foreigners.

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**Submitted via:** Online Survey

**QUESTION (Q): Name of the government department/organization submitting comments:**

ANSWER (A): Central Statistical Bureau of Latvia

**Q: What response, if any, do you have to the data presented on the country dashboard?**

A: Data on human trafficking published in the Dashboard as is available in the CSB of Latvia at the time being.

**Q: Is any relevant data missing from the country dashboard? If yes, where can it be found?**

A: In case of interest and relevance for Delta 8.7. dashboard, you may want to see more EU data on human trafficking on [https://ec.europa.eu/anti-trafficking/sites/antitrafficking/files/study\\_on\\_data\\_collection\\_on\\_trafficking\\_in\\_human\\_beings\\_in\\_the\\_eu.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/anti-trafficking/sites/antitrafficking/files/study_on_data_collection_on_trafficking_in_human_beings_in_the_eu.pdf)

**Q: Is there additional information you would like to share with Delta 8.7 about your country's fight against modern slavery, human trafficking, forced labour and child labour?**

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