

Public Health in Latvia. Experience in participating in EU projects

State agency “Public Health Agency”

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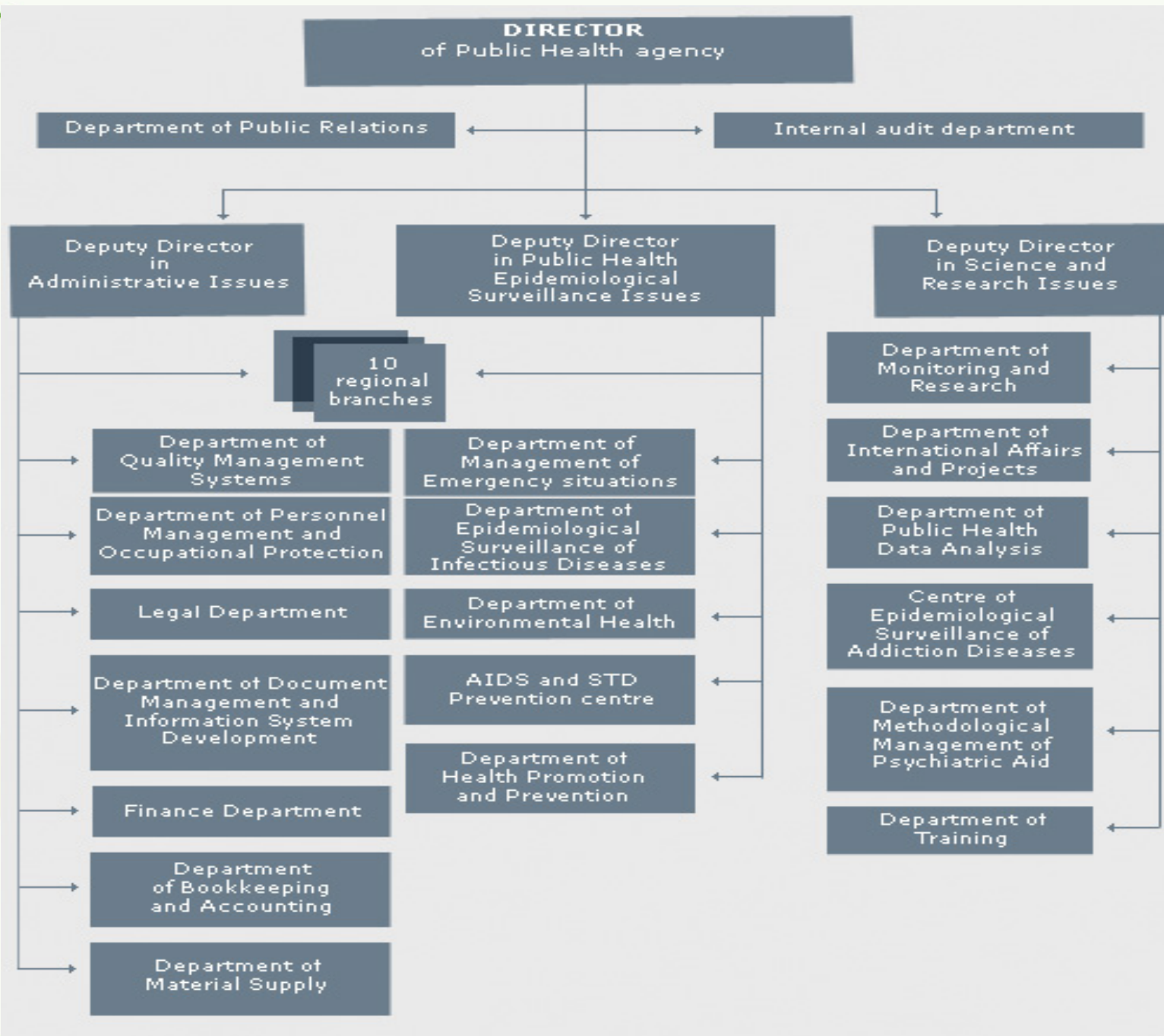
Public Health Agency (PHA)

Our mission:

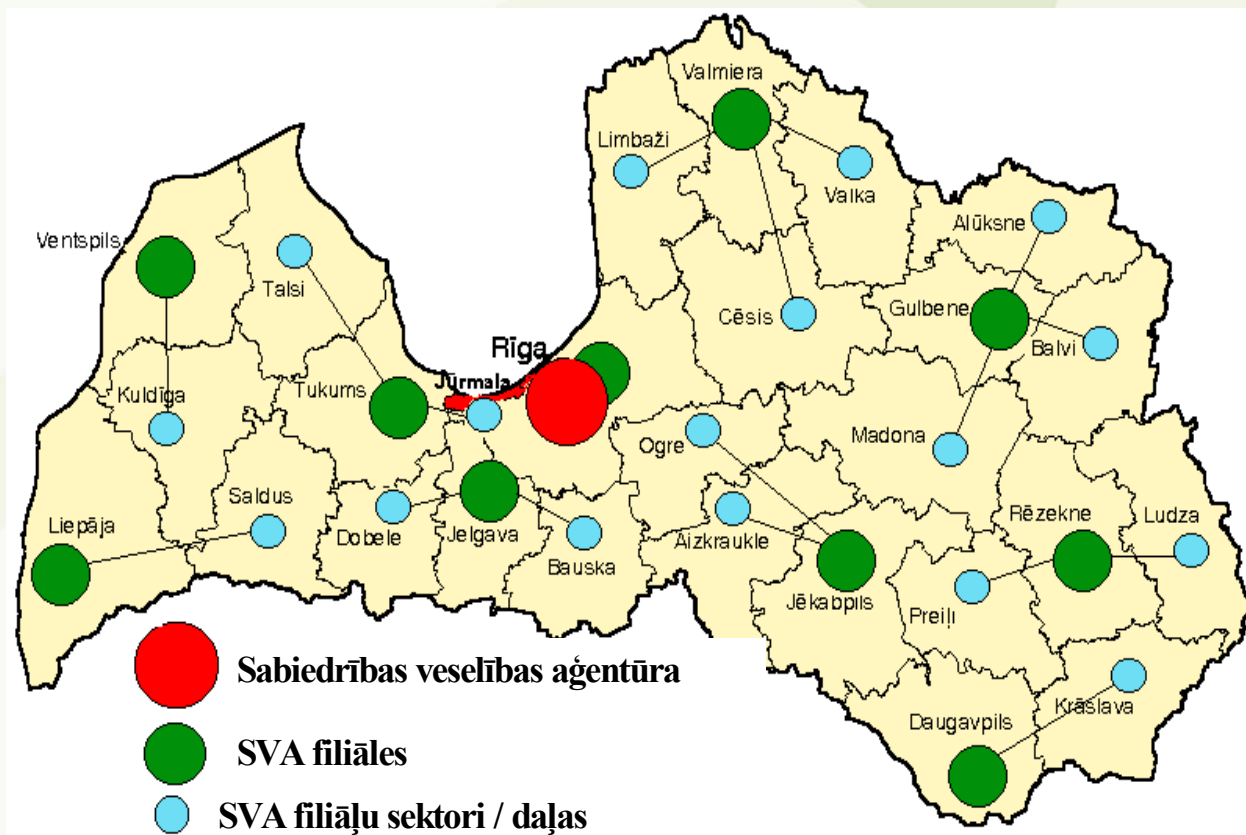
To provide policy-makers, professionals and public with qualitative evidence-based information for decision-making in the field of public health by surveillance of communicable and non-communicable diseases, as well as human health risk factors

Functions of PHA

- Monitoring of public health
- Monitoring of mental health care
- Monitoring of substance, alcohol and tobacco abuse
- Surveillance of human health risk factors
- Epidemiological surveillance of communicable and other (non-communicable) diseases
- Management of public health emergencies
- Coordination of health promotion issues



Branches of PHA





EU cooperation and projects

SABIEDRĪBAS VESELĪBAS AĢENTŪRA

- *Programme of Community action in the field of public health (2003-2008)*
- *Transition Facility (previously – Phare)*
- **6th EU Framework programme**
- Technical assistance programme of the Netherlands - *Matra-flex*

6th EU Framework programme

Emerging Diseases in a Changing European Environment (EDEN) sub-project Tick-borne diseases (EDEN-TBD)

- Duration: 2004-2009
- Objective: to identify which socio-economical and eco-environmental factors govern the currently observed upsurge of tick-borne diseases in Europe
- Tasks: retrospective data collection, Ixodes ticks monitoring in 8 selected places in Latvia, laboratory investigations of collected tick material

Future projects

Projects co-financed by European Social Fund (programming period 2007-2013)

- Health promotion (general population, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, mental health cardiovascular diseases)
- Research and surveys in the field of public health

THANK YOU!

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