

# Baltic's Platform for West and East -Logistics Requirements-

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### What and Who is the BVL?

### **Profile**



- **Non-profit organisation**, objective, independent, does not represent special interests
- More than 10,000 members from the top echelons of industry, trade, services and science



- More than 30 chapters worldwide, about 300 free events every year
- 250 honorary officials



- Exchange of knowledge and experience
- Communicating the importance of supply chain management and promoting its application and development



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### **Mission**



#### BVL is ...

- ... an open network of people who are committed to efficient and effective cooperation in a globally active sector of industry.
- ... a voluntary association of management executives and decision-makers from the worlds of industry, science and politics.
- ... an active community whose members look beyond their own specific field of activity to both reap and generate specialised and interpersonal benefits.







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### **Worldwide contacts**



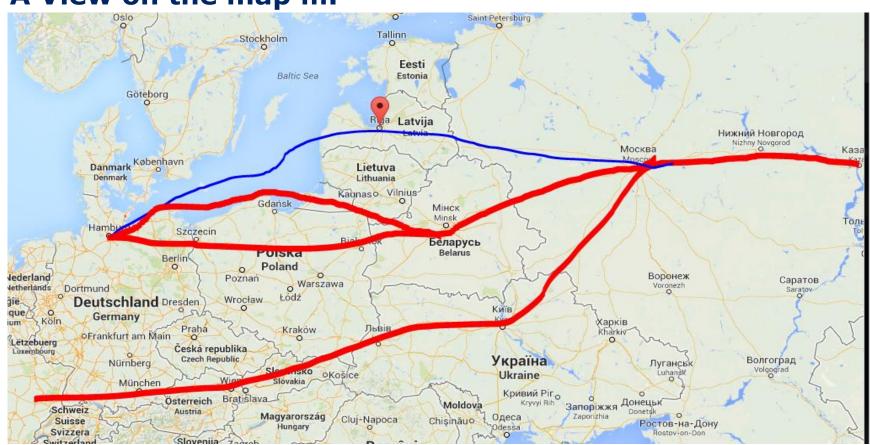
# **Agenda**



- 1 The West-East Routes, Question of Perspective!
- 2 EU: Planning TEN and follow up?
- 3 What we know, what we should know
- 4 Expectation, Prerequisites, Requirements
- 5 Conclusion, To Do



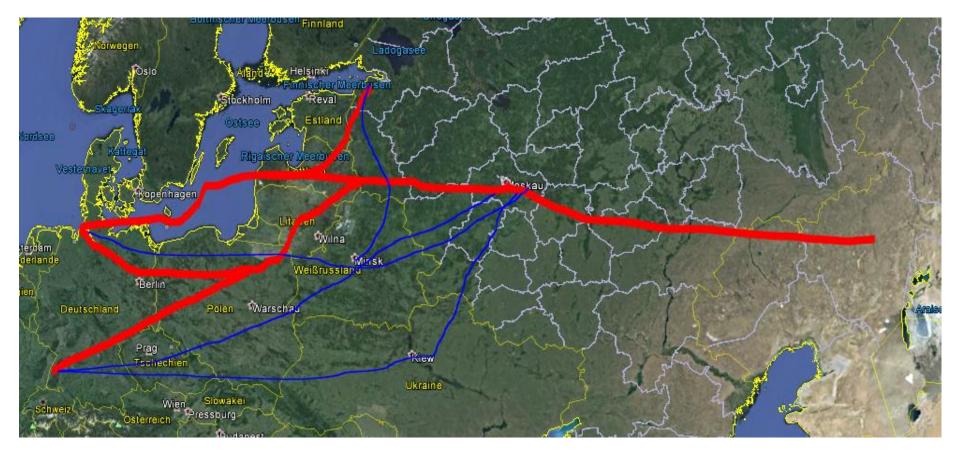
A View on the map ....



... Shortest way seems to be via Belarus or Ukraine



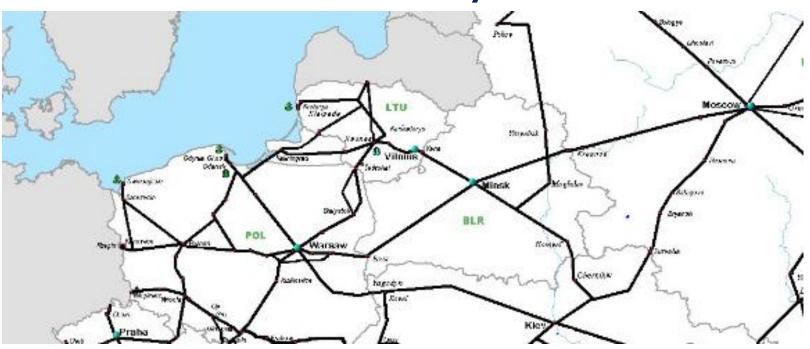
### A View on the Globe ...



## ... Shortest way is via Baltic



# The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe: Back Bone of Railway Network



http://www.unece.org/trans/main/ter/map.html



As of January 2014, the European Union has a **new transport infrastructure policy:** 

- **Connect the continent** between East and West, North and South.
- Close the gaps between Member States' transport networks, remove bottlenecks.
- Overcome technical barriers such as incompatible standards for railway traffic.
- It promotes and strengthens seamless transport chains for passenger and freight.
- Budget of €26 billion up to 2020.
- New coordinators will now enter into contact with Member States authorities and ministers





### What do the Middle European know about Latvija?

- It is a small country as a Country of the Baltic States
- In a direct neighbourhood with Russia
- Is part of the European Union and ...
- ... part of the European Monetary Union
- Riga city with long tradition and a seaport for cruising

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### What should we know about Latvija?

- Managed the EURO Crisis as Best in Class
- Has a excellent growth rate again
- Does not need any longer cheap money from the EU
- Has very well educated young people
- Is multi lingual
- Excellent Data Highways
- Has a very well equipped sea port in Riga
- Broad Gauge Railway Connection with Russia
- European Capital of Culture 2014 is Riga



### **Logistics expectations**

- Secure Supply Chain e.g. Damage and Robbery
- Trustful Supply Chain e.g. Data Flow
- Exact Delivery e.g. no Delays
- Legal Certainty in all Cases e.g. Property Rights
- High Service Mentality e.g. Customer Orientation
- Competitive Transportation and Warehouse Cost
- Functional Transportation Infrastructure
- Customs Clearance for Eurasia Customs Union
- Speaking Russian and understand Russian Mentality
- Good Relationship to Russia



### **Prerequisites and Requirements**

- No Border no Customs in the European Union!
- Transshipment Center of all Kinds of Transportation
  - Sea, Air, Road and Rail
- Riga in Competition with e.g. Ust Luga and Baltijsk
  - End to End Cost and Time
  - Hinterland Infrastructure
- Beside the Sea, Railway and Road Connectivity to Middle Europe
- Secure and careful Handling of Good till Destination
- Contact persons who feel always responsible
- Transparency in Customs Clearance with Russia



### **Conclusion**, To Do

### **Profiling of Competitiveness of Latvija**

- ' I trust in the Baltic States as Transhipment Points West<>East'
  - Klemens Rethmann, CEO of Rhenus
- 'Do good and talk about it'
  - Proverb