

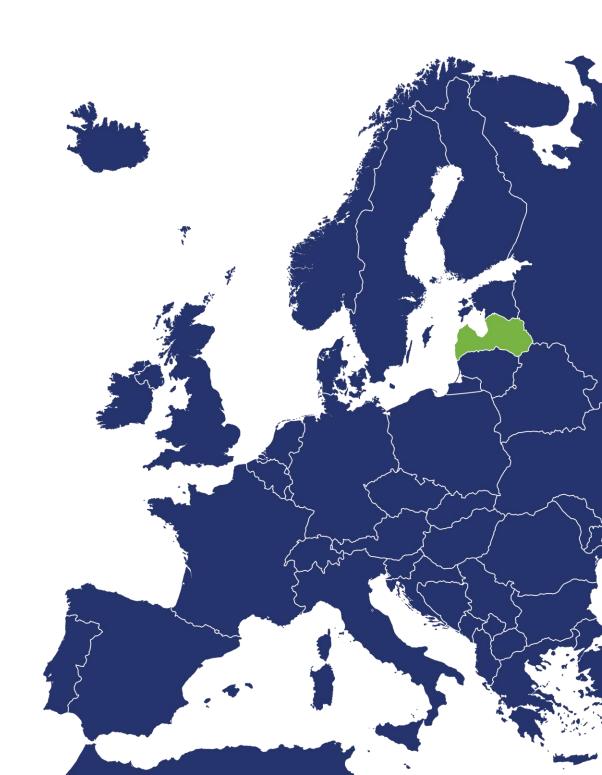
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NIS2 across the EU

Latvia

As NIS2 is implemented across the EU, we are tracking the key features and important differences arising under local legislation.

In the next of our local country updates, we look at Latvia.



The Legislation

- → The National Cybersecurity Law is already in force with separate regulations to be adopted, which will further implement the requirements of the NIS2 Directive.
- → Essential and important service providers in Latvia must notify the National Centre for Cybersecurity of their status no later than April 1, 2025.

Liability

- → The general liability regime for management bodies applies, which includes joint liability for losses caused to the entity (including regulatory fines).
- → Upper management has ultimate responsibility for NIS2 compliance. The only other directly applicable obligation is to appoint a cybersecurity manager to be responsible for implementing and managing the cybersecurity measures.
- → The cybersecurity manager has additional responsibilities defined under the law.

Registration and Main Establishment

- → Latvia has broadly implemented the main establishment principle.
- → However, there are additional criteria required in order for entities to take advantage of the main establishment principle that could be problematic, especially for businesses that do not have an EU establishment. For example, 'ICT Critical Infrastructure' providers identified by the Latvian government cannot rely on the main establishment principle.
- → Entities operating in Latvia should review the requirements to check whether they must comply with local law.

Infosec Requirements

- → The incoming regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers will set out the detailed cybersecurity risk management measures (which must be adopted by 17 October 2024).
- → The National Cybersecurity Law does not require the regulators to recognize industry certifications as conclusive evidence of having appropriate cyber security measures in place.

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