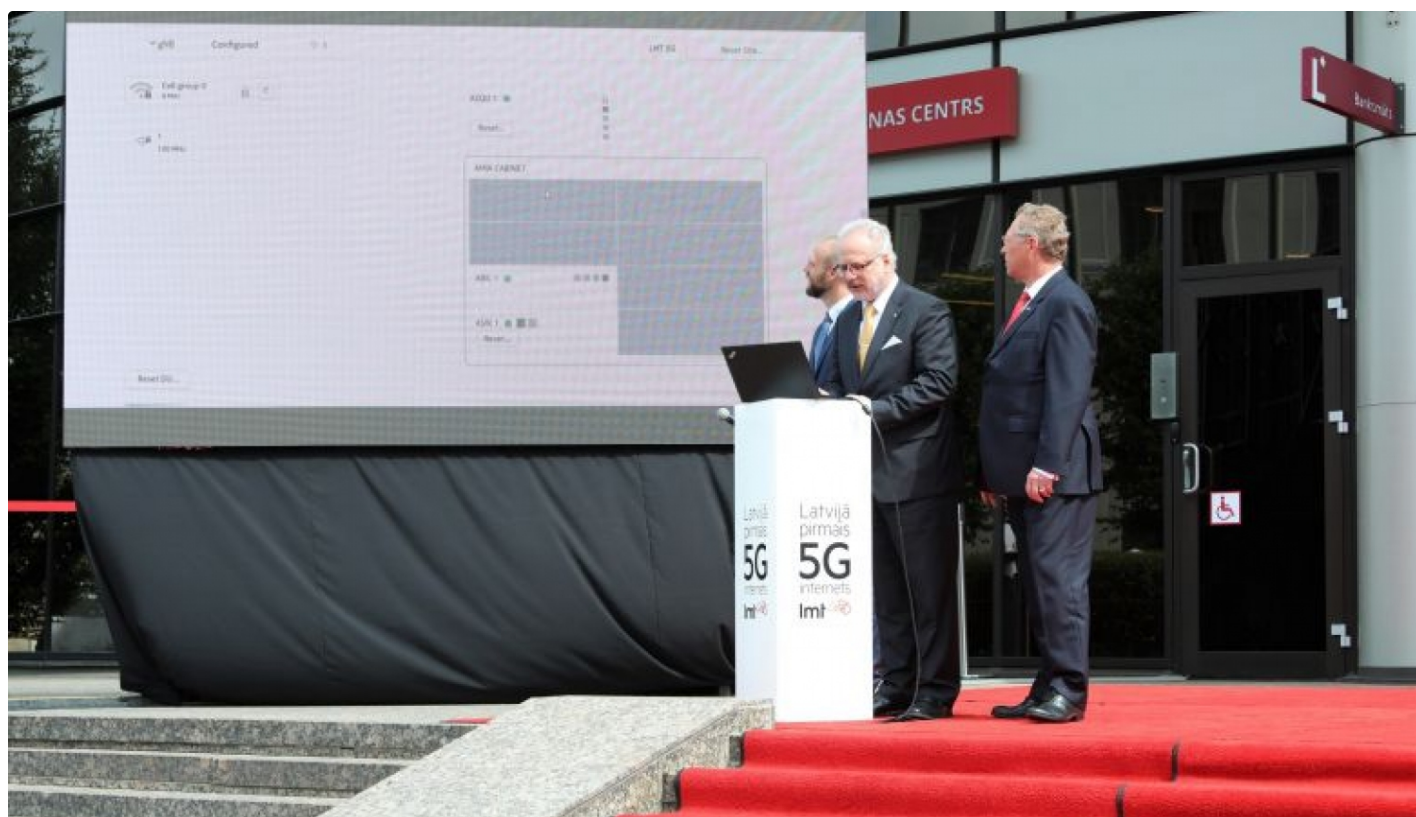


Address by President of Latvia Egils Levits at the opening of the 5G in LMT

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There is pride that, thanks to the operations and cooperation of LMT with global companies such as NOKIA and INTEL, Latvia is at the forefront of the 5G communication network development. The President of Latvia would like to see Latvia leading in many other areas as well.

5G is becoming a necessary technology today because it allows transferring a huge quantum of information. During the era of artificial intelligence and Big Data, being among the first countries that can implement such technology means that Latvia ranks in the first line of technological Formula 1. It is a signal to global companies and researchers.

We need to look at how high technologies coexist with human nature, the human sense of internal freedom and health today and in the future. Care should also be taken to ensure that technologies still serve humankind and not vice versa in the future.

I would also encourage us all to use this new tool. 5G itself is just a tool, infrastructure. However, it should be used at work so that Latvia is among the leaders not only with a fast Internet but would be able to use it for its benefit by increasing Latvia's prosperity.

I would like to thank LMT for the awareness and smart policy in the field of Latvian information policy. I appreciate it, and it is also an example for other companies.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to "Mikrotikls" as one of the major investors in various technology development projects. You have received various awards, helped to revive the VEF Quarter, and donated to the Children's Hospital.

I wish you good luck in your future endeavours for the benefit of the population and prosperous, creative, and smart Latvia!

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