

# Easy to Read

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## Who is the incumbent president?

Current President of the Republic of Latvia is Edgars Rinkēvičs.

## What duties does a President of Latvia have?

President represents Latvia internationally

President appoints Latvia's ambassadors and welcomes foreign ambassadors to Latvia

President ratifies international agreements approved by the Saeima (Parliament)

President acts as the commander-in-chief of the Latvian army

President declares war on behalf of the Saeima

## Where does the President of Latvia work?

President can use either of the two official residences: Riga Castle or Jūrmala residence.

## What are the functions of the Chancery of the President of Latvia?

the Chancery of the President of Latvia provides the activities of the President of Latvia

organises visits of the President of Latvia to foreign countries and visits of foreign officials to the President of Latvia

the Chancery coordinates the drafting of legislative initiatives and draft laws proposed by the President of Latvia

ensures the activities related to the returning of laws to the Saeima for reconsideration

the Chancery of the President of Latvia provides the activities of the National Security Council and the Military Council of the President of Latvia

the use of the President's pardoning rights

the activities of the Chapter of Orders and the State Heraldry Commission

the office work of the former Presidents of Latvia

the activities of the advisory or research commissions established by the President of Latvia

## Who leads the Chancery of the President of Latvia?

Ms Gunda Reire is the Head of the Chancery of the President of Latvia.

## Where is the Chancery of the President of Latvia located?

The Chancery of the President of Latvia is located at Pils laukums 3 (Castle Square) in the Riga Castle, Riga.

## How can you contact the Chancery of the President of Latvia?

The phone number of the Chancery of the president is [+37167092106](tel:+37167092106) and e-mail is [info@president.lv](mailto:info@president.lv).

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