



Employer Assessment

Indicator Description, Methodology and Results

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Employer assessment is characterised by two complementary indicators: the external PRAKSE.LV assessment and the results of the RISEBA Employer Survey.

INDICATOR	WHAT IT MEASURES	ASSESSMENT CRITERION / TARGET
PRAKSE.LV assessment	External employer assessment of higher education institutions.	TOP 3 among higher education institutions founded by legal entities
Employer Survey results	Employers’ assessment of whether RISEBA prepares specialists who meet the needs of the labour market and industry development.	≥80% of respondents selected “Strongly Agree / Yes” or “Rather Agree / Rather, yes”

ASSESSMENT APPROACH • External employer assessment and the RISEBA Employer Survey.

Indicator relevance: The PRAKSE.LV ranking reflects RISEBA’s standing among employers, while the survey KPI reflects employers’ assessment of whether RISEBA prepares specialists who meet the needs of the labour market and industry development.

PRAKSE.LV Employer Assessment

EXTERNAL EMPLOYER PERCEPTION INDICATOR



INDICATOR RELEVANCE

Prakse.lv, in cooperation with the Employers’ Confederation of Latvia (LDDK), compiles the ranking of higher education institutions and study programmes most recommended by employers. The result reflects employers’ confidence in RISEBA and provides an external assessment of its graduates’ preparedness.

7th place

in the overall ranking

167

employer recommendations

2nd place

among higher education institutions
founded by ownership category

DATA AVAILABILITY AND COMPARABILITY

Written confirmation from Prakse.lv confirms that RISEBA has maintained 7th place in the overall ranking over the past three years. This reflects its overall position; RISEBA’s Top 3 target is assessed separately among higher education institutions founded by ownership category. Annual recommendation counts were not retained; therefore, a complete numerical trend is not currently available.

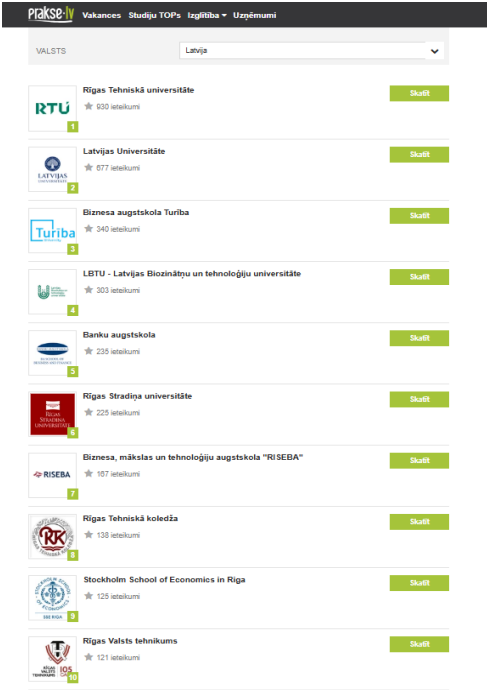
RISEBA TARGET	TOP 3 among higher education institutions founded by ownership category	ACHIEVED • 2ND PLACE
FUTURE MONITORING	RISEBA will record annually the date, overall ranking position, number of employer recommendations and position among higher education institutions founded by ownership category.	

Evidence Supporting the PRAKSE.LV Indicator

PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND PRAKSE.LV CONFIRMATION



PRAKSE.LV RANKING (17.07.2026) and Supplementary Data Analysis



Overall Rank	Rank among Private HEIs	Higher Education Institution (HEI)	Employer Recommendations	Ownership
1		Riga Technical University	460	Public
2		University of Latvia	429	Public
3	1	Turība University	341	Private
4		Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies	206	Public
5		Bank School	203	Public
6		Rīga Stradiņš University	183	Public
7	2	RISEBA University of Applied Sciences	167	Private
8		Art Academy of Latvia	100	Public
9	3	Stockholm School of Economics in Riga	90	Private
10		Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences	89	Public

Original source materials are available in Latvian only. The accompanying table was prepared by RISEBA based on publicly available data and supplemented with higher education institution ownership categories.

PRAKSE.LV EMAIL SCREENSHOT CONFIRMING RISEBA’s 7th place in the overall ranking over the past three years

From: Prakse.lv Info <info@prakse.lv>
Sent: 27 August 2026 16:45
Subject: Re: Augstākās izglītības iestāžu TOPs

Labdien!

Paldies par ziņu un iesaisti TOP izvērtēšanā. Mums diemžēl nebūs apkopota informācija par ieteikumu skaitu pēdējos gados, bet aktuālais balsojumu skaits pieejams šeit: <https://www.prakse.lv/top>, kurā uzrādat joti labus rezultātus.

Pēdējie rezultāti, ko publicējam 17.07.2026 pēc ieteikumu skaita augstākajām mācību iestādēm:

- 1.vieta, Rīgas Tehniskā universitāte
- TOP3, Latvijas Universitāte
- TOP3, Biznesa augstskola Turība
- TOP5, Latvijas Biozinātņu un tehnoloģiju universitāte
- TOP5, Banku augstskola
- TOP10, Rīgas Stradiņa universitāte
- TOP10, Augstskola RISEBA
- TOP10, Stockholm School of Economics in Riga
- TOP10, Vidzemes Augstskola
- TOP10, Transporta un sakaru institūts

Paskatoties pēdējos 3 gadus, Jūs esat bijusi 7 vietā, ieteikumu skaits noteikti ir mainījies, bet kā jau minēju diemžēl tas mums nav piefiksēts. Ceru, ka noderēja šī informācija. Aicinām Jums painformēt savus uzņēmumus, ka ir iespēja nākt un izteikt viedokli par Jums un novērtēt skolu. Darāt tiešām labu darbu un jauniešiem tas būs jādā. Kā izteikt viedokli - pielikumā maza informācija. Tas ir tiešām ļoti viēgli un aizņem tikai 3 minūtes.

Veiksmīgu dienu,
Prakse.lv komanda

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Employer Survey results

REGULAR MONITORING OF EMPLOYER ASSESSMENT



SURVEY PURPOSE

The Employer Survey provides systematic feedback on how well the professional competencies of RISEBA graduates and students meet labour market and industry development needs.

Once every 3 years regular institution-wide survey	2023 latest RISEBA-wide measurement	2026 next regular survey
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2023 • BASELINE	The direct KPI question had not yet been included; therefore, the overall RISEBA result is assessed using the 16 competency statements evaluated by employers.
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2025 • ADDITIONAL MEASUREMENT For the purposes of national accreditation, an additional Employer Survey was conducted for the Arts study, using the same 16 competency statements.	2025 • SURVEY ENHANCEMENT The survey questions were reviewed and updated, and a single KPI question was added: “Do you think RISEBA prepares specialists who meet the needs of the labour market and industry development?”
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ASSESSMENT SCALES

16 COMPETENCY STATEMENTS 2023 regular Employer Survey 2025 additional Employer Survey Positive assessment: Rather agree + Agree	1 - Disagree 2 - Rather Disagree 3 - Rather Agree 4 - Agree 5 - Not Applicable to my Company	DIRECT KPI QUESTION 2025 additional Employer Survey 2026 regular Employer Survey Positive assessment: Yes + Rather, yes	1 - Yes 2 - Rather, yes 3 - Rather, no 4 - No 5 - I can't answer it
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FUTURE MONITORING	The direct KPI question is planned for use in the regular 2026 Employer Survey as the key employer assessment KPI.
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RISEBA TARGET

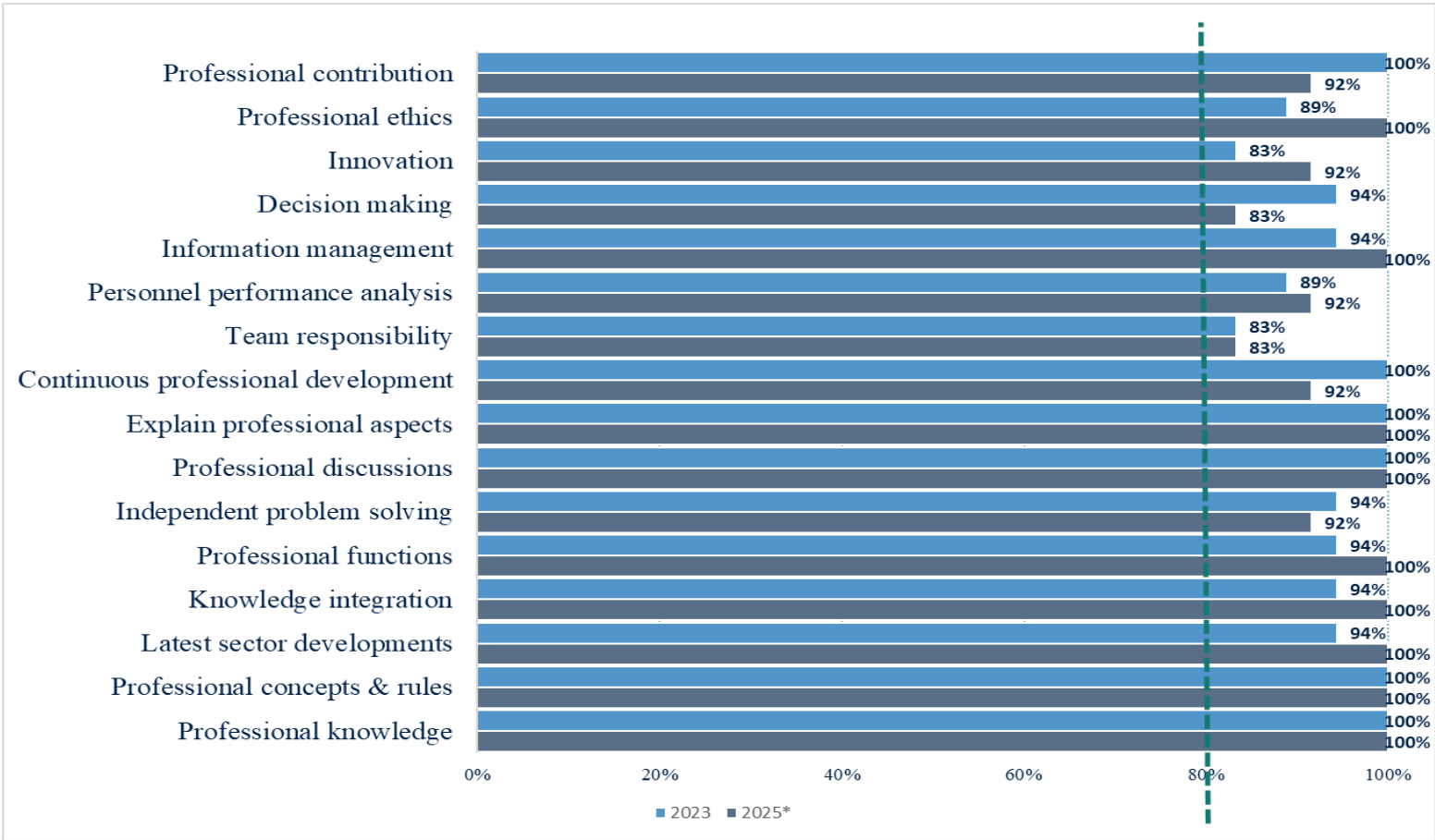
≥ 80% “Yes” + “Rather, yes”

Employer Survey Results

EMPLOYER ASSESSMENT OF RISEBA GRADUATES



MEASUREMENT BASIS Employers assessed 16 competency statements in response to the question: “Please indicate to what extent the below statements apply to RISEBA graduates.” The chart shows shortened statement labels; the full wording of all 16 statements is provided in the appendix.



2023 • RISEBA-WIDE SURVEY

Regular institution-wide Employer Survey. The 2023 results represent the overall RISEBA employer assessment and serve as the current institutional baseline.

2025* • ADDITIONAL SURVEY

Additional Employer Survey for the Arts study field (n=20), conducted for national accreditation purposes.

The same 16 competency statements were used; the results are therefore shown as supplementary evidence.

KEY RESULT

All 16 competency areas reached or exceeded the 80% target.

* 2025 results relate only to the Arts study field and are not an institution-wide RISEBA measurement.

Employer Survey Results

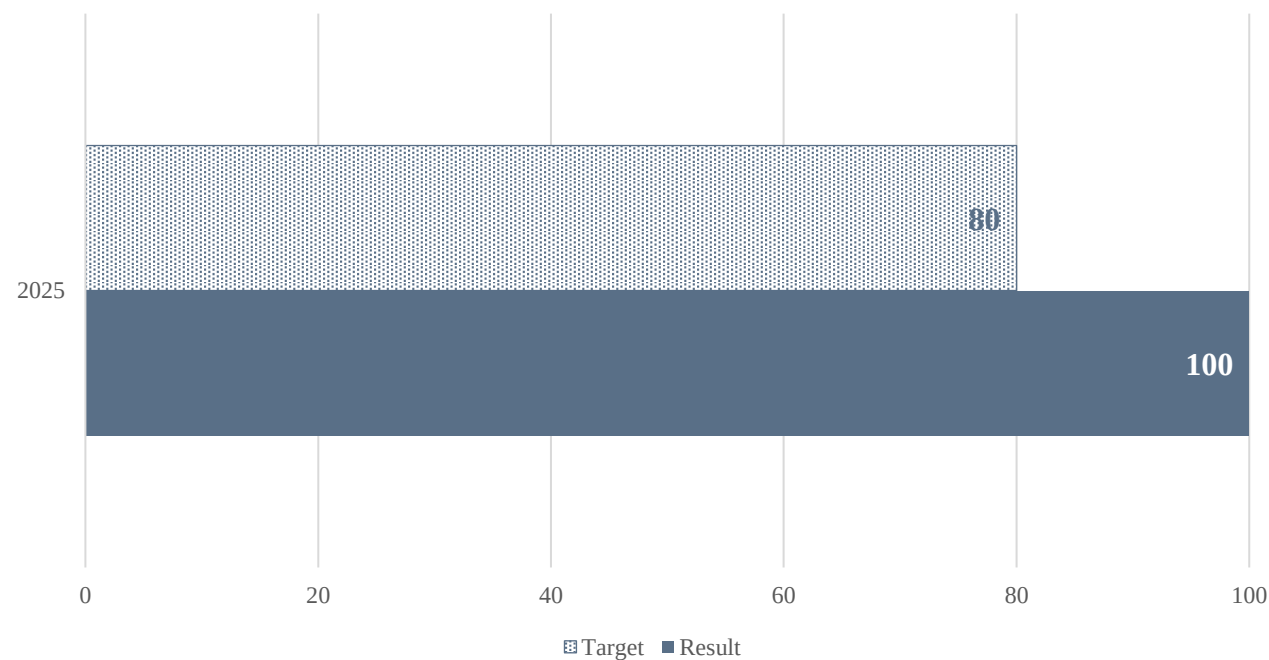
DIRECT KPI QUESTION • 2025 ARTS STUDY FIELD



MEASUREMENT	As part of the additional Employer Survey for the Arts study field, conducted for national accreditation purposes, employers were asked a direct question on whether RISEBA prepares specialists who meet labour market and industry development needs.
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DIRECT KPI QUESTION

“Do you think RISEBA is preparing specialists suitable for the development of the labour market and industry?”



RESULT

100%

Target ≥ 80%

CALCULATION

Positive assessment =
“Yes” + “Rather, yes”
(12 of 12 valid responses)

INTERPRETATION

The result exceeds the RISEBA target by 20 percentage points.

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