

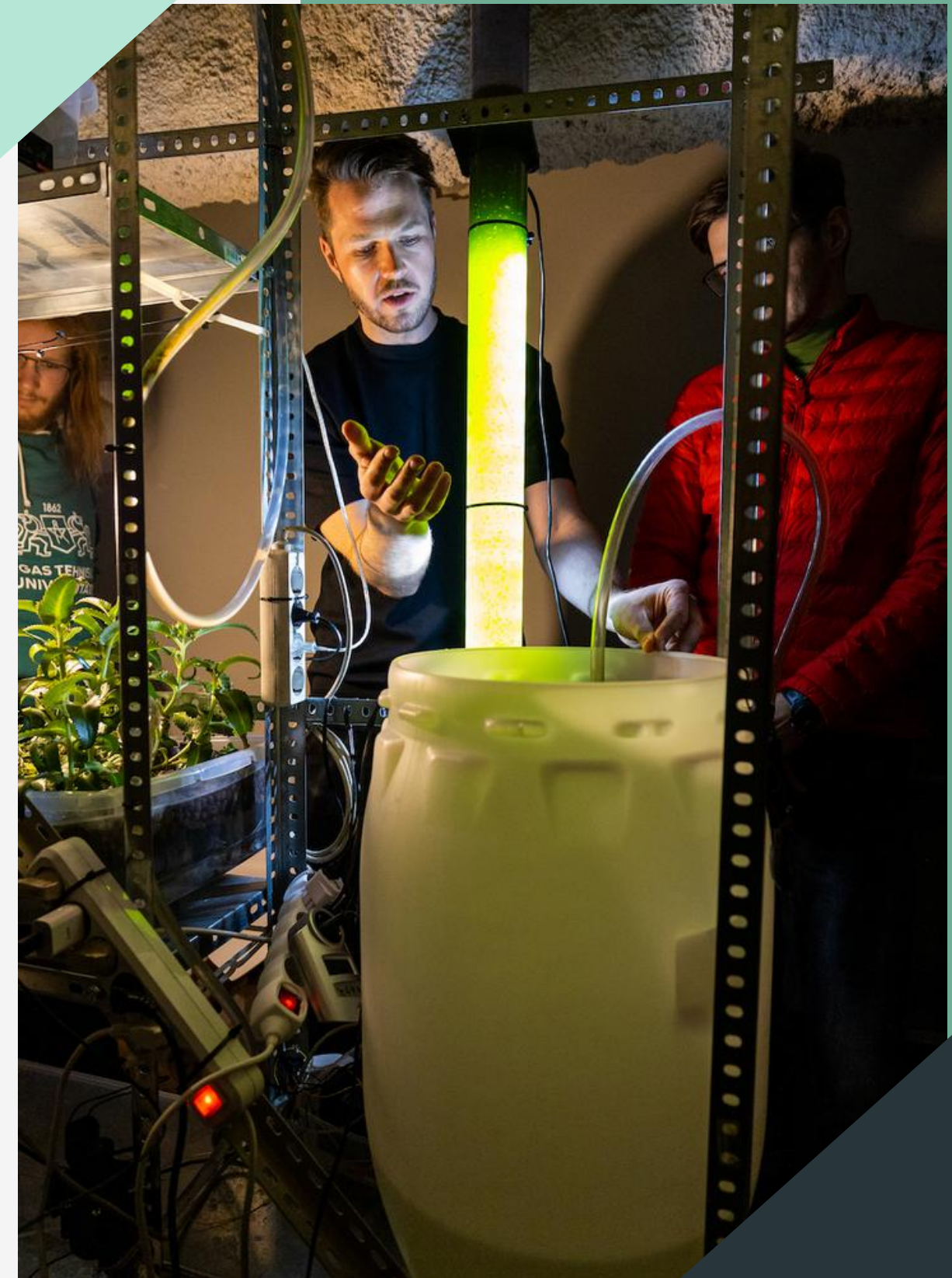
# Cooperation for Water Innovation in the Baltic Sea Region: Challenges and Opportunities

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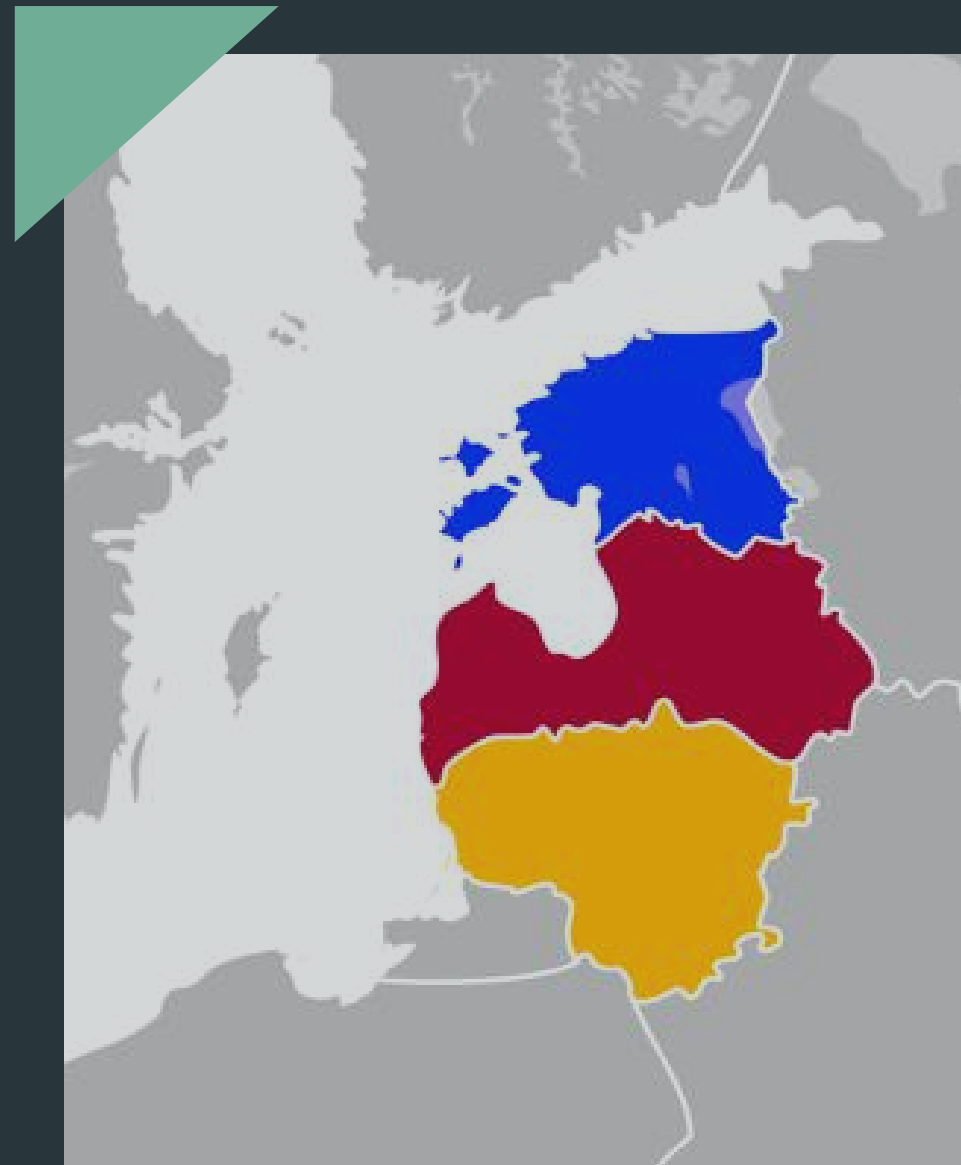
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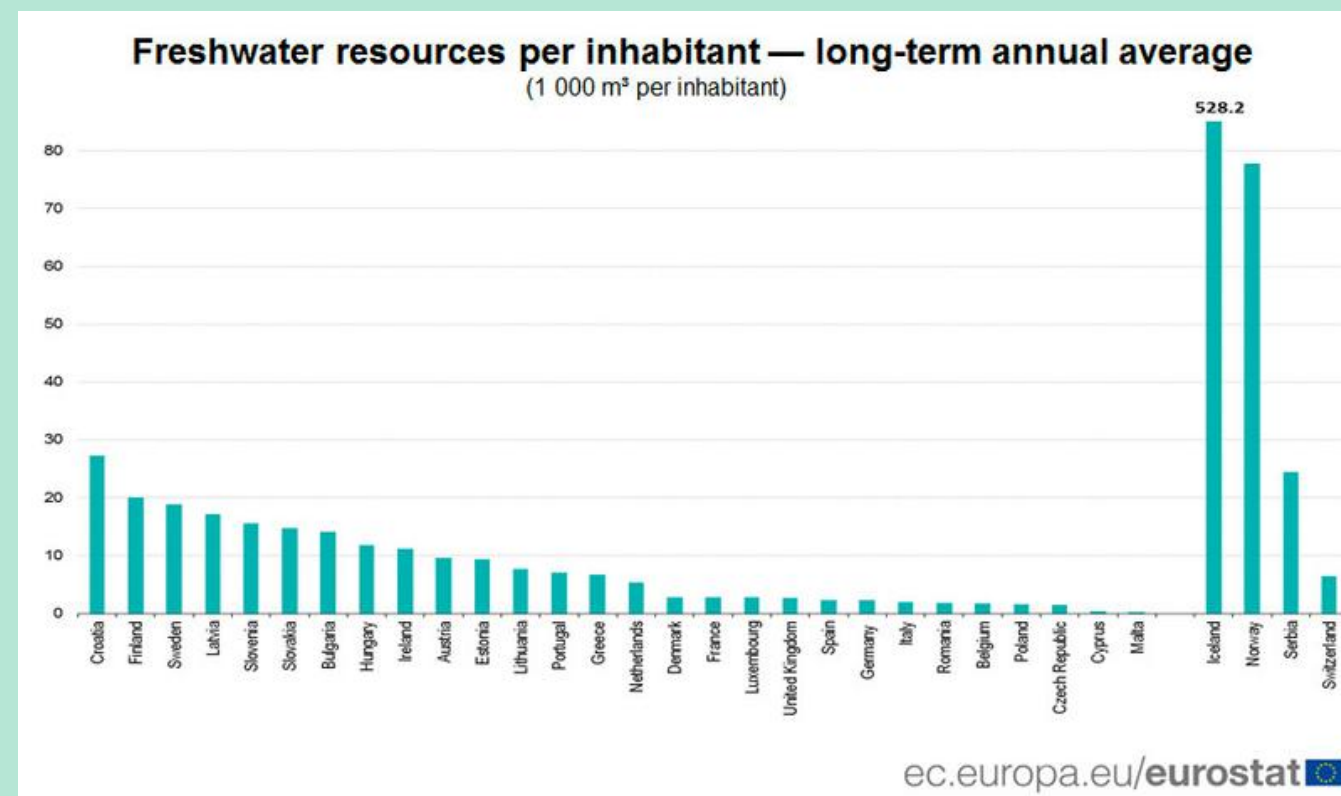


# Where are we now?

The current situation in the Baltic States and future perspectives.



## Leaders in EU



Use of seaweeds

Contamination  
removal from  
the Baltic Sea

Microplastics

Eutrophication

# Challenges

in the Baltic States



There is a **shortage of specialists** in the water supply sector!



The average age in the water management sector is **the highest among all sectors!**

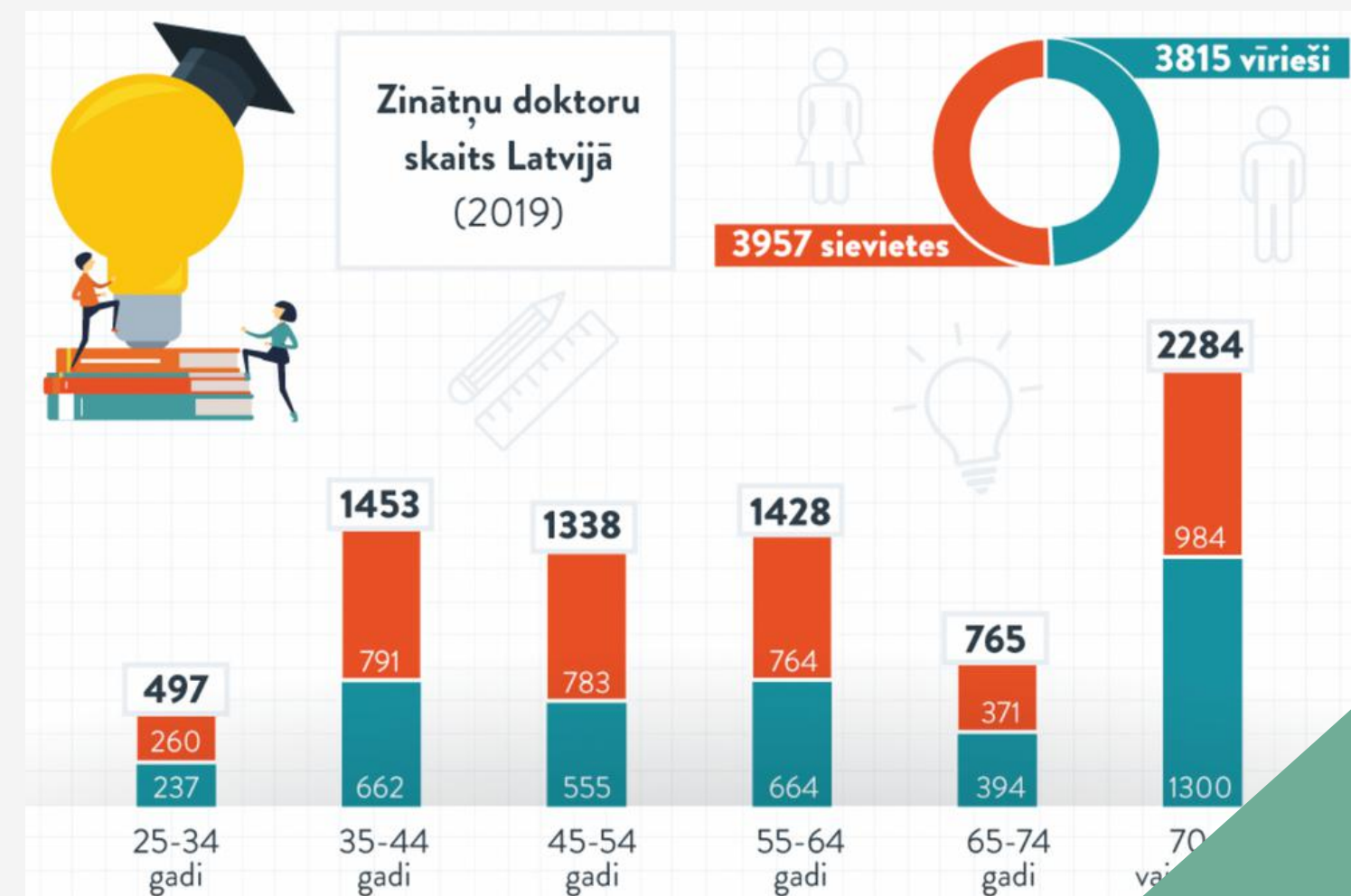
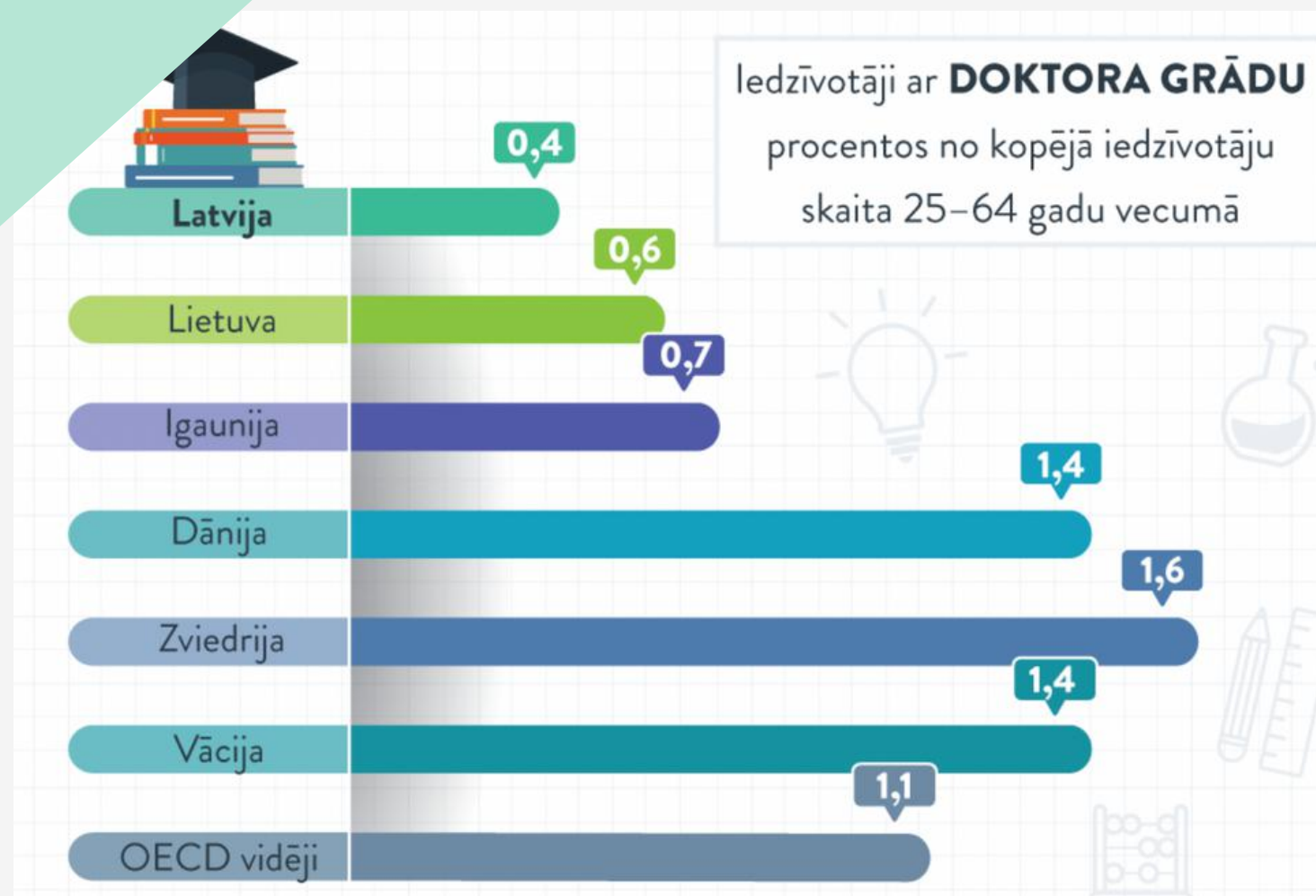


New talents and enthusiasts are needed!  
**NOW!**

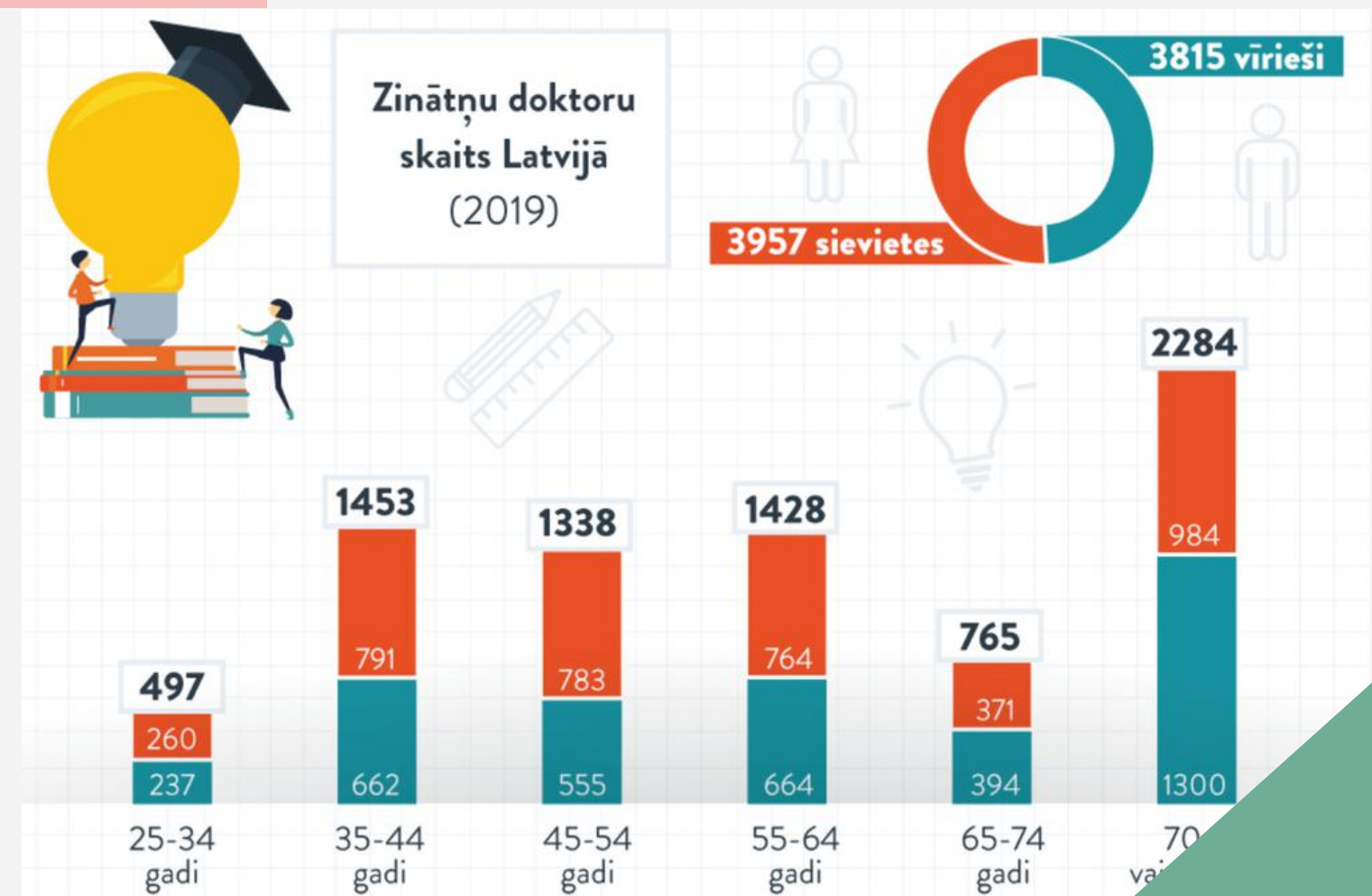
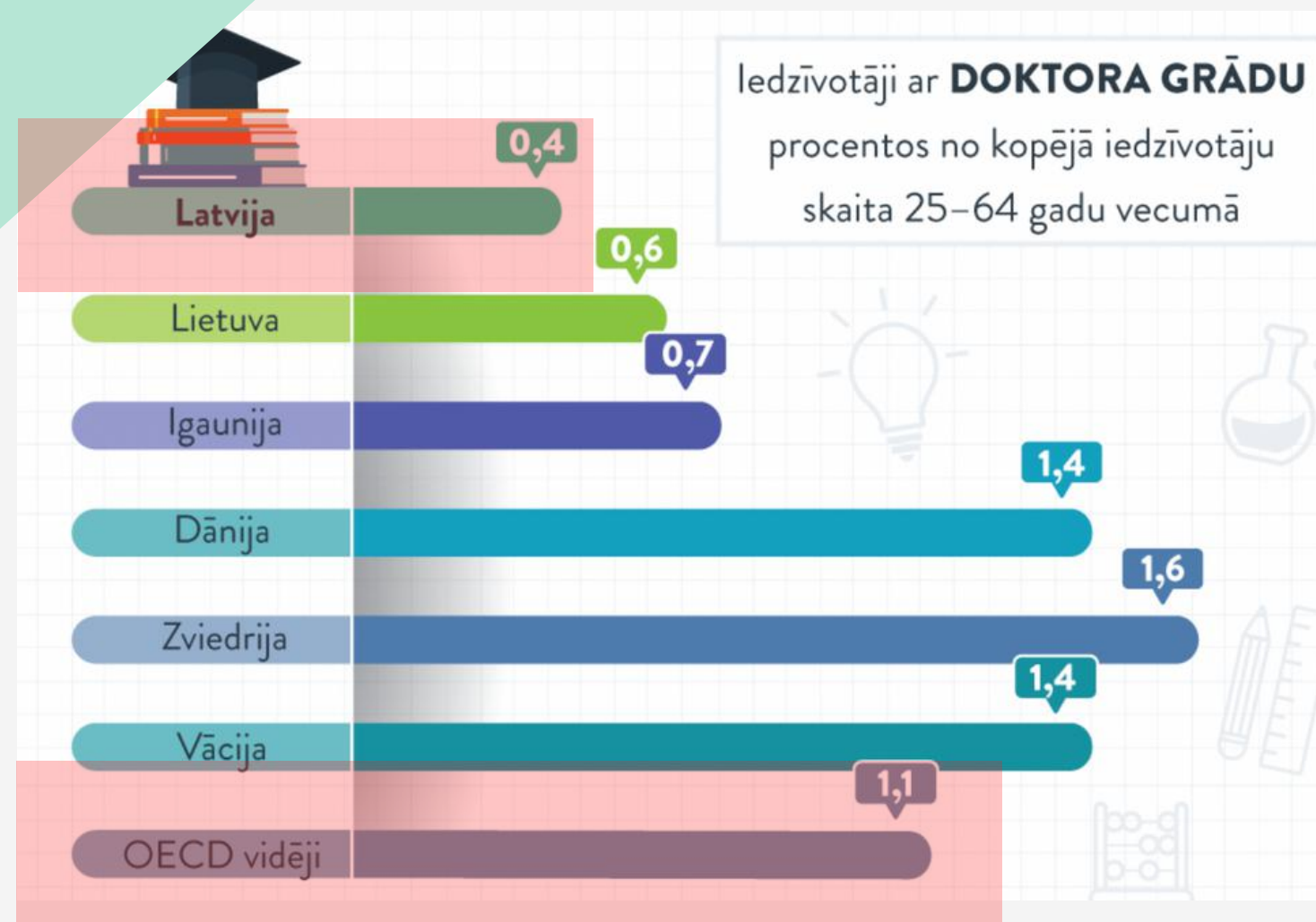


Lack of **coordination between countries**, limited **resources and funding**, and a lack of access to new **technology and knowledge.**

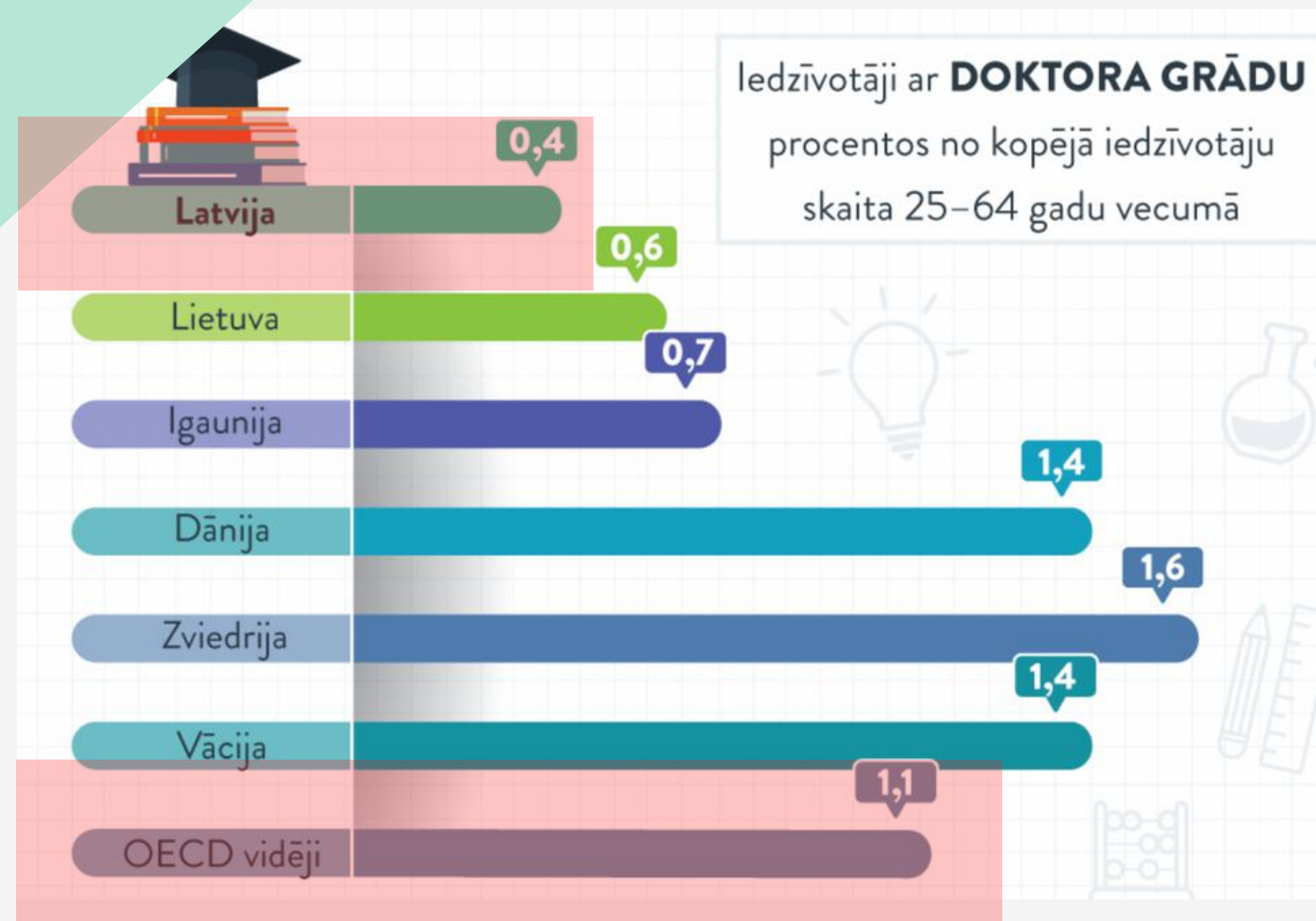
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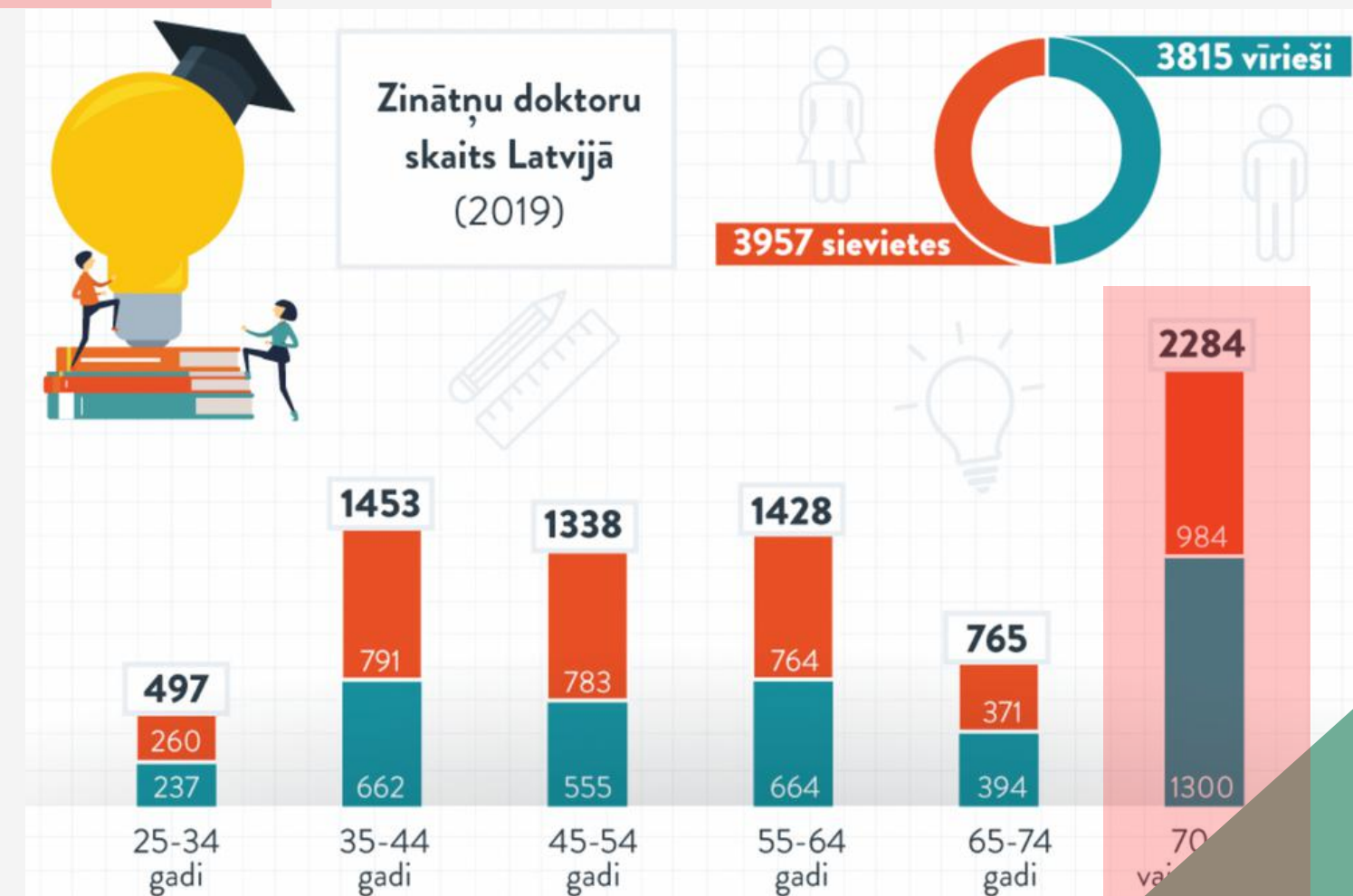
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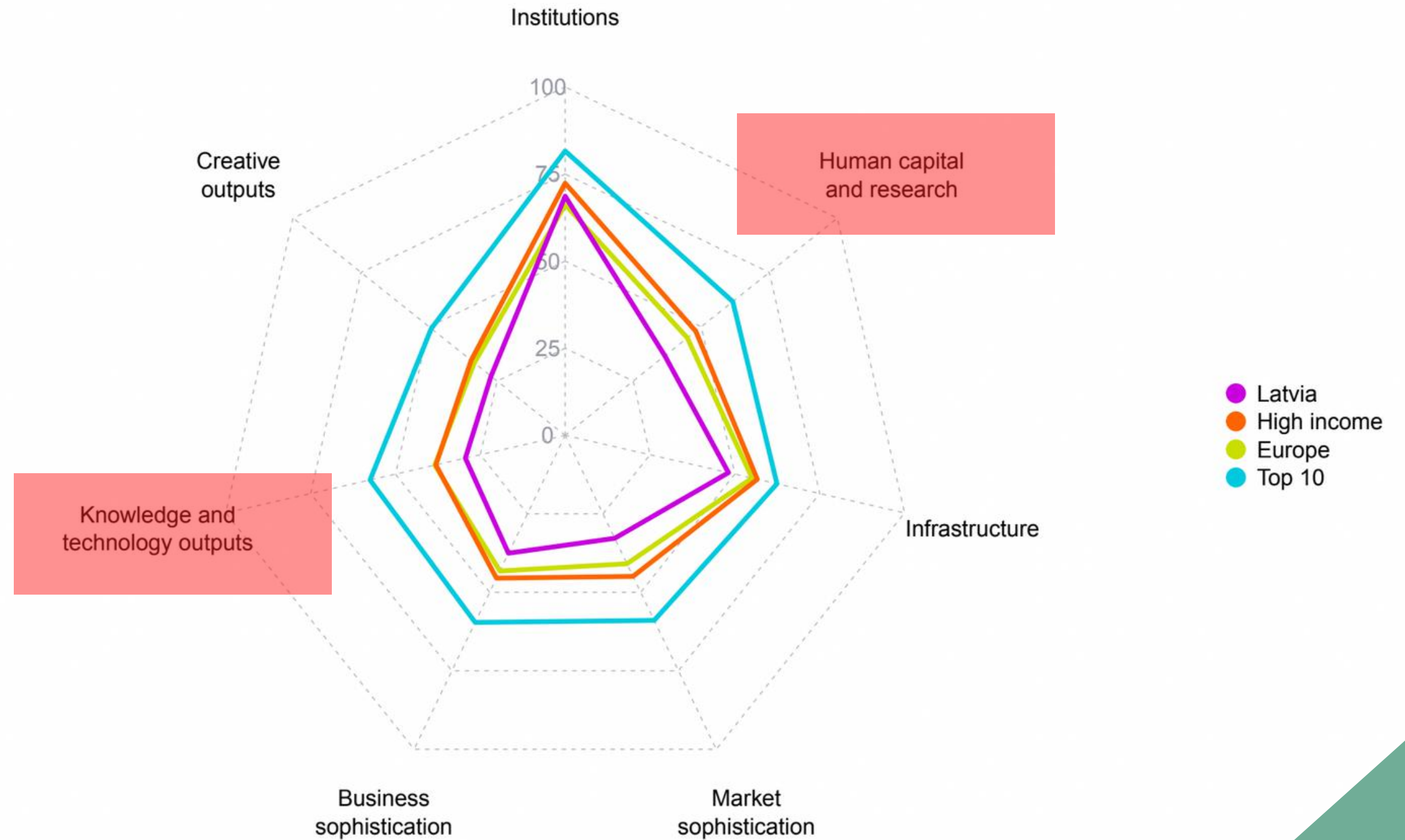


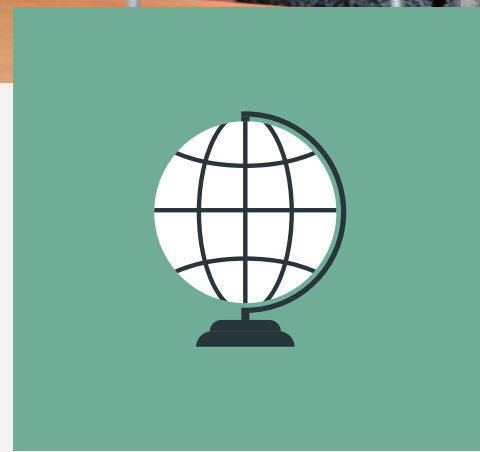
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### Task # 1

Improvement of  
Education System



### Task # 2

Increase the Quality of  
Innovations: Deep  
Tech



### Task # 3

Attract the  
Appropriate Investors



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solve the problems  
of water will be  
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prizes – one for  
peace and one for  
science"***

**John F. Kennedy**