

Greenways Product project

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GreenWays in Latvia

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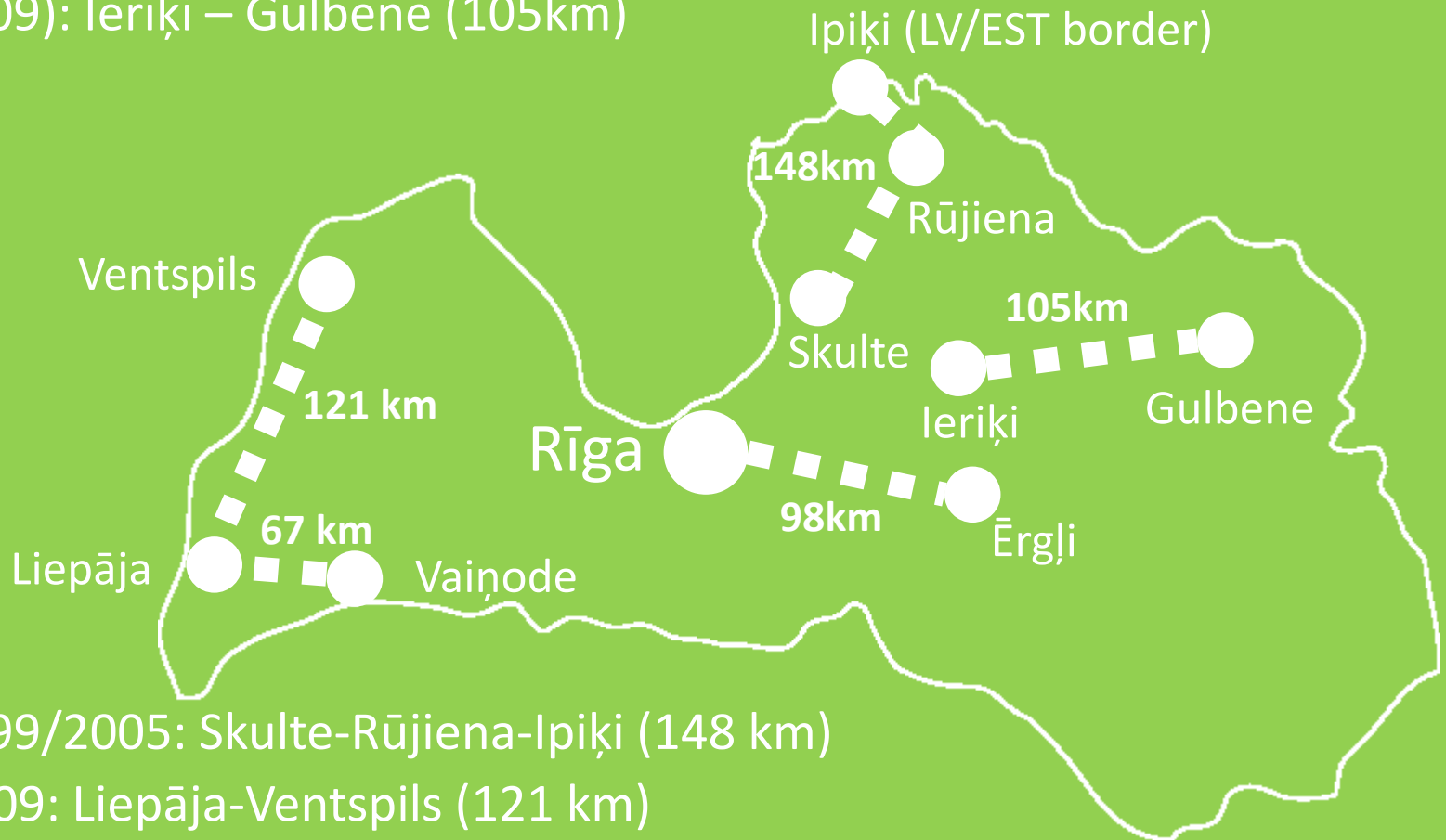


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The decision to discontinue the use of railway

539 km

- 2009: Rīga-Ērgļi (98 km)
- 1999(2009): Ieriķi – Gulbene (105km)



- 1996-1999/2005: Skulte-Rūjiena-Ipiķi (148 km)
- 1996/2009: Liepāja-Ventspils (121 km)
- 1998/2012: Liepāja-Vaiņode (67 km)

Then and Now

539 km

- Many former rail lines used as roads



Then and Now

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- Many former railway buildings still inhabited



Then and Now

539 km

- However, some sections have perished



Current use of GreenWays



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GreenWays Product (2013-2014)

- Vidzeme Tourism Association – project partner from Latvia
- Research about the former railway and narrow-gauge railway lines
- Experience exchange visits
- Common EuroVelo and GreenWays map of Latvia
- Promotional video of GreenWays in Latvia

EuroVelo and GreenWays map (draft)



Foundation of Latvian GreenWays Association

- To fully research the GreenWays in Latvia
- To attract funding for GreenWays development from the State and the EU
- To promote the GreenWays in Latvia (maps, brochures, videos, exhibitions etc.)
- To clarify the issues around the GreenWays (ownership of land, buildings, responsibility of State, Municipalities and Railway company)

Thank you very much for your
attention!

