

Latvia Weekly:

Brussels dictate and misused donations to Ukraine



Latvia | Week 19 | Month 5
January 8th - January 14th, 2024

New observations this week: 4
Main channels: Facebook, Tiktok

Main keywords:

European Union, USSR, Green Deal, Global warming,
Russian language, schools, Ukraine, corruption

Main narratives:

- Before Moscow dictated everything, now everything is dictated by Brussels and Latvia should make its own decisions.
- The EU green deal should not restrict Latvia as it makes no contribution to global warming.
- Children in schools are being forced to speak Latvian and cannot speak with each other in their mother tongue.
- There is a site in Ukraine where you can buy anything that has been donated to Ukraine and thus people should stop donating.

Overview:

In the examined weeks, new disinformation narratives have appeared. The new disinformation narratives have an underlying message of the European Union not being beneficial for Latvia. The content surrounding the Green Deal and global warming does not question global warming as such but rather focuses on how these restrictions imposed by the European union are negatively affecting the Latvian economy and even comparing the European Union to the USSR. Nevertheless, content on such topics is not gaining significant engagement.