

Egons Mednis, ELKO Group President

ELKO Group President, Chairman of the Board, shareholder and one of the founders of the company. E. Mednis ability to establish the right contacts and his talent to hold negotiations with the future business partners, both vendors and colleagues, played the key role in ELKO's history. In 1994, just a few years after USSR collapsed, when no one even knew where Latvia is, ELKO already signed its first agreements with the IT giants – Western Digital, Seagate, Sony, and Samsung, followed by Intel, Microsoft and many others soon after. Being not only a great diplomat, E. Mednis knows how to choose the right people for his team – from 12 employees who joined ELKO team in the first 3 years (1993-1996), 11 are still with ELKO. Now, when ELKO Group has grown into a multinational company with multimillion turnover and more than 300 employees, E. Mednis confidently steers ELKO Group's wheel and plays a vital role in development of long term strategies for the further successful development of the company.

Education: Graduated Engineering and Computing studies at Riga Polytechnical Institute (1992)

Personal: E. Mednis is a landlord of a renovated neobaroque castle Diklu pils – during one year he managed to transform the old abandoned building and its surroundings into a beautiful place for recreation and rest (www.diklupils.lv). E. Mednis has also never given up his old hobby – hunting.

Born in 1967, Riga