Life Sciences and Health
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ORGANIZATION OOST NL

East Netherlands Development Agency

Oost NL strengthens the economy of the provinces of Gelderland and Overijssel. We catalyse (foreign) investment, trade, innovation and growth. Oost NL is a governmental agency, under the Dutch Ministry for Economic Affairs. Our services are tailor-made and confidential.

- Direct investment: we invest from our funds with equity or (convertible) loans. We invest in innovative scale-ups in our region.
- Soft landing: we advise on site selection, introduce you into the (regional) network, and give information on permits, tax and incentives.
THE REASONS

Why to choose East Netherlands for LSH

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Healthy Business Environment

Healthy Capital

Healthy Living
REASONS TO INVEST IN EAST NETHERLANDS

Be part of a growing community

3,100 R&D Life Sciences Companies
420 Biopharmaceutical Companies
8 University Medical Centers
13 Universities

65,000 Employees in the pharmaceutical sector
4.7 Billion market in MedTech
26 Campuses
12 Research Universities
4 Specialized in technology and engineering

*Numbers reflect all of the Netherlands
HEALTHY BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

Connected LSH clusters

• Medical technology, Digital Health, Brain & Cognition and Drug Discovery & Development are our strongest clusters.

• Health Valley is the regional network organization that brings together about 700 companies, research institutes and education organizations in the health sector.

• With two hotspots in Twente and in Nijmegen, East Netherlands is a hub for Health & Tech.

• Improving the well-being of patients and improving accessibility and affordability of health care is the main goal for the ecosystems present in Medtech, Digital Health, Brain & Cognition and Drug Discovery and Development.

• We welcome you to our well-developed ecosystem of startups, medium-sized companies and multi-national companies, three leading research universities and a supportive government.
Access to talent in East Netherlands

- Three research universities offer ample opportunities for contract research and public-private partnerships:
  - Radboud University and Medical Centre, gives you access to health sciences, molecular life sciences, x-omics, Artificial Intelligence for Health, and Brain and Cognition.
  - Wageningen University & Research, world’s number one university, brings you expertise in food & nutrition, and animal health.
  - University of Twente, the entrepreneurial university is a hotspot for robotics, lab-on-a-chip, Techmed Centre.
- Our workforce is well-educated, and over 90% of Dutch people speak English.
HEALTHY BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

Radboud University & Medical Center

East Netherlands is home to many pharmaceutical-related companies and institutes. Together they form a complete value chain in the field of drug discovery and development.

Via joint research programs with the Universities of Wageningen (Food), Nijmegen (Health) and Twente (Tech) and top-class research institutes bring your innovation forward e.g. in medtech, rehabilitation, prevention, e-health and lab-on-a-chip.

Radboud University & Medical Centers
- Radboud Institute for Health Sciences
- Radboud Institute for Molecular Life Sciences
- Institute for Molecules and Materials
- Donders Center for Medical Neuroscience
HEALTHY BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

TechMed Center

- The Technical Medical Centre is a leading Innovation Hub impacting healthcare by excellent Research, Innovation and Educational programmes.

- It is equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure, ranging from research labs, preclinical testbeds and simulated hospital environments.

- Facility sharing is actively encouraged both within and outside the university campus.

- We collaborate with industry, hospitals, governments and insurance agencies on the development of new solutions for healthcare.
HEALTHY BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

OnePlanet Research Center

Chip and digital technology innovations for a sustainable future in food, agriculture and health.

OnePlanet Research Center is a multidisciplinary collaboration agreement between Wageningen University & Research (WUR), Radboud University, Radboudumc and imec. OnePlanet uses the latest chip and digital technologies everyone can live a healthy life and has access to healthy and sustainable food technologies to create a society in which.

For SMEs there are various ways for to participate in the research programs and knowledge sessions or apply for tailored support to develop digital innovations.

Large corporations can become involved in long-term research programs and short-term development projects. OnePlanet is able to strengthen your R&D or development team with unique complementary skills.
Knowledge, entrepreneurship and innovation come together at Novio Tech Campus in Nijmegen. The campus has state-of-the-art research facilities and accommodation for entrepreneurs and researchers in the Life Sciences, Health and High Tech sectors.

The campus is equipped with advanced laboratories (ML 1, 2, 3), flex labs, clean rooms, an equipment pool and it has access to NXP’s European Diagnostics Centre as well as high-quality semi-grade operating supplies.
Office and laboratory space can be rented in the green, park-like campus of Radboud University and Medical Centre. Mercator Science Park offers business space for start-ups, scale-ups and medium-sized companies. Being close to the university offers many opportunities for collaboration and knowledge sharing.
Innovation Campus Kennispark Twente

- Host to University of Twente, the most entrepreneurial university of the Netherlands.
- Home to 400 high tech companies and 900 spin-offs.

Hotspots
- The Gallery, one of the largest incubator buildings in the Netherlands.
- The High Tech Factory offers both office space and lab space for temporary use.
- NanoLab, a 1,250 m² clean room, offers “state of the art” lab space and technical support as well.
- MESA+ one of the largest academic nanotech research institutes in the world, responsible for some 50 nanotech spin-offs.
HEALTHY BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

Accessible & well connected

East Netherlands has excellent connections to neighboring regions, to Europe and to the rest of the world:

- A dense network of **excellent highways** with little congestion;

- **High-speed trains** provide service to cities like Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, Dusseldorf, Paris and London;

- Five **international airports** are within 1.5h reach;

- Ports of Rotterdam and Amsterdam are well connected to East Netherlands;

- The Netherlands is a digital frontrunner. The Dutch digital infrastructure offers 98% fast broadband coverage and 99% 4G coverage.
HEALTHY CAPITAL

**Investment - funding**

In order to become the most attractive region for innovative companies active in Health, Oost NL will offer risk capital (equity and/or convertible subordinated loans) to:

- Start-ups and second-stage innovative SME companies
- Located in the geographic boundaries of the provinces of Overijssel or Gelderland.
- Carry out or will carry out substantial economic activities.
- Co-financing obligation for participations and convertible (subordinated) loans.
- On equivalent market-conditions to avoid state support (EU regulations).
HEALTHY CAPITAL

**Funding programs**

- Oost NL Capital and Oost NL Business Development manage a number of funds ranging from proof-of-concept funds to (pre-)seed to Series A and further.

- Early-stage funds such as ION+ offer convertible subordinated loans from €200k to a maximum €2,5 million – average ticket size of €400k, available to companies from TRL4 onwards.

- Other funds are for both convertible subordinated loans as well as equity investments with tickets ranging from €100k to max. €5.0 million over the entire investment period.
HEALTHY LIVING

Quality of life

• The East Netherlands uniquely combines competitive, high-tech research and commerce with very close access to superb natural settings and recreational opportunities. Large green areas include the forests of Nationaal Park De Hoge Veluwe (Northwestern Europe’s biggest nature reserve) and the Sallandse Heuvelrug.

• The East Netherlands also offers access to a rich cultural life. The Kröller-Müller Museum, with its acclaimed art collection right in the middle of a nature reserve. The region harbors quaint medieval Hanse cities such as Deventer, Zutphen and Kampen.

• The East Netherlands offers excellent living environments for expatriates and their families from all over the world. The region is home to extensive expat communities from more than 150 countries and regions.
HEALTHY LIVING

Vibrant city life

• The East Netherlands is home to a wide variety of ancient and modern cities including Nijmegen, Arnhem, Wageningen, Deventer, Zwolle, Apeldoorn and Enschede.

• The East Netherlands offers a unique, highly appreciated blend of green, spacious, safe yet cosmopolitan living environments. Living in a bustling city, a residential suburb, a village or in the picturesque countryside are all alternatives offered in the East Netherlands. Housing is readily available and competitively priced. And since distances in the Netherlands are comparatively short, it is possible to live in the countryside and still get to the centre of a major city within 20 minutes.
WHO IS HERE

Join this ecosystem
“With 4 airports nearby (Düsseldorf, Eindhoven, Weeze and Amsterdam Schiphol) Andelst, East Netherlands is easy to reach, also by train from Amsterdam Schiphol Airport. Many clients who come for trainings use this transport satisfactorily.”

MEDCAPTAIN
Jürgen Reimer, CEO
“To be an active member of the Brain & Cognition ecosystem in East Netherlands, close to the experts in Radboud University and the associated Donders Institute for Brain, Cognition and Behavior, positively impacts our growth ambitions.”

MR FOKKO VAN DER WOUDE
TOLOOBA
“The choice for the Netherlands, particularly Nijmegen and the East of Netherlands, was obvious. Some of our collaboration partners are nearby. We have access to talent and expertise at the universities of Münster, Utrecht and Wageningen. The major airports are easily accessible by train and car. The quality of life in the East Netherlands is excellent, offering a safe living environment, excellent education and good housing at reasonable prices.”

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We welcome you!

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