

North Sea neighbours

East Netherlands has a longstanding (trade) relationship with the United Kingdom. Our economic ties are strong: companies on both sides of the North Sea trade with each other, import and export numbers are high and over 100 British companies have established their business in East Netherlands. The strengths of the eastern provinces of The Netherlands lie in the sectors Food, Health, Tech & Energy: sectors that many British regions also have key industries in. Moreover, the favourable logistical **position** makes East Netherlands a valuable trading and investment location!





Business climate



Infrastructure



- Market access

reasons to choose East Netherlands

1. Market access to 500 million European **consumers:** East Netherlands is located strategically between two key European metropolitan areas: the Amsterdam Rotterdam region and the German Ruhr

2. Short product to market times: East Netherlands is home to three world-class universities and research institutes, all offering companies in the region access to new ideas, product development, human capital and infrastructure.

Motivated and educated employees: East Netherlands has a highly educated, internationally oriented workforce. And the level of English, German and other language skills are excellent!

4. Competitive fiscal climate: A competitive statutory corporate income tax rate in Europe – 25% (15% on the first € 245,000).

5. East Netherlands offers a **lovely living environment** with excellent international schools.

Synchromodal Transport

Directly connected to the Baltic and Alpine Rhine Corridor.

East Netherlands is readily accessible by water with 8 strategically located inland (containers) terminals, like CTT Hengelo and BCTN Nijmegen. Operational rail network with direct connection to (barge/container) terminals and logistic sites.



Road connection NL - Germany



TEU transport gateway to EU

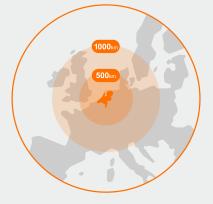


of all railcargo
between NL - Germany



International airports in 1.5 hour drive

of Europe's most lucrative consumer markets are just around the corner



244 million consumers within 2-3 days by road 170 million consumers within 1-2 days by road

East Netherlands: Part of a great international network

Oost NL supports (international) entrepreneurs throughout the entire process of establishing businesses and fostering growth in our region. Throughout the years, we have successfully supported more than 900 companies from all over the world.

Oost NL works closely together with partners in the Invest In Holland network.

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Health



Health Valley: Dynamic cluster of companies, universities, research institutes, supported by a collaborative government.

Companies include: AbbVie, AstraZeneca, Demcon, GE Healthcare, Mercachem, Nedap, Lupin Pharmaceuticals, MDxHealth, Micronit, Mindray, Synthon, Thales and Vaxxinova.

Focus areas: Molecular medicine, diagnostics & imaging, nano-technology for point-of-care solutions, rehabilitation and medical robotics.



Food

Wageningen University & Research:

Number 1 Agriculture university in the world. Foodvalley: Internationally acclaimed R&D hotspot with over 3,000 agri-food related companies, institutes, over 15,000 agri-food experts from 110 nationalities.

Overijssel: Production facilities and business parks with room to establish and expand. Companies include: 2 Sisters Storteboom, Unilever, FrieslandCampina, Europastry, Vivera, Kraft Heinz, Nestlé and Keygene. Focus areas: Plant based proteins, agri-tech,

sustainable innovations in food & agriculture.



Tech

High Tech research: University of Twente. **High Tech parks:** Kennispark Twente, Polymer Science Park (Zwolle), High Tech Systems Park (Hengelo) and NovioTech Campus (Nijmegen), an incubator dedicated to semiconductors. **Companies** include: Ampleon, Benchmark, Boeing, imec, Infor, Nexperia, NXP, Saab, Scania, Sensata, Teijin, TenCate, Thales. Focus areas: Photonics, micro- and nanotechnology, robotics, sensoring, UAV's, lightweight materials and composites, semiconductors and RF, IT.



Energy

Knowledge institutions: HAN university of applied science, Sustainable Electrical Energy Center of Expertise.

Hydrogen and Energy storage & Cleantech **region:** Energy and Environmental Technology sectors in Apeldoorn/Deventer/Zutphen, energy storage in Arnhem.

Companies include: Akzo Nobel, BASF, DHV, DNV GL, HyET, KIWA, Tauw, Tempress. **Focus areas:** Renewable energy, innovative fuel technologies, battery storage, smart grids and circular economy.



Top talent

East Netherlands is a knowledge-intensive region with three research universities and five Universities of Applied Sciences.

Number of students, East Netherlands

88,000

research university students

university of applied sciences students

106,000

students in vocational education

source: CBS, 2019/2020

East Netherlands attracts many international students and researchers. Hosting three international schools, the region offers a quality setting for international talent workers and their families.

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