

BRNO REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**#brnoregion (Czechia): Opportunities for investment and business cooperation** 

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## We are a business club.

We are more than a chamber. Czechs are recognized experts in many fields of human activity, from science, industry and innovation to sport to culture and gastronomy. So, our Ministry of Foreign affairs has chosen "Czechia has marvelous people" as the motto of the new clip you can watch now.

Rest assured that they included the best Czechia has to offer. However, we sincerely hope you will experience it on your own eyes in Brno.

#### **Czechia Has Marvelous People**

(video spot)

## **Czech Republic: basic facts**

Area Population Capital Language Currency

Time zone

78,864 km 10.5 million Prague Czech Czech crown (CZK) 1 EUR – 27,030 CZK GMT +1, daylight saving time GMT +2

## **Czech Republic: basic facts**

#### Highly developed industrial base:

Manufacturing and engineering, mining, automotive, electronics, construction, machinery, metallurgy, glass manufacture, production of beverages (beer)

#### Intensive growth in the service sector

Working population of 5.3m, well educated and skilled workforce

### Mutual trade between Czech Republic and Croatia

Current data for January - February 2020 show significantly slower growth in Czech exports than in previous years. Mutual trade in 2020 will be very negatively affected by epidemiological measures against the spread of COVID-19. A decrease in both imports and exports between 10 and 20% is expected.

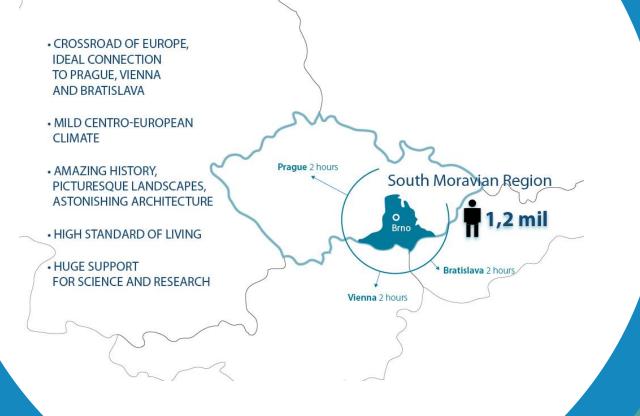
in mil. EUR	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
export	439	457	520	607	615
import	122	137	204	221	200
turnover	561	594	724	828	815
saldo	+370	+320	+316	+386	+415

### We're closer than you think ...



& 198 people from Croatia already live in Brno

## **Basic regional facts**



## **Brno - basic information**

- ightarrow the second biggest Czech City, capital of the #brnoregion
- → 400,000 residents; 550,000 during the workday
- → Modern and dynamically developing center of industry, trade, science, research and innovation
- → University centre (cca 62 215 students by the end of 2019)
- Center of international fairs and exhibitions
- → National headquarters for the judicial system
- → Famous people connected with Brno: Gregor Johann Mendel, Kurt Gödel, Milan Kundera, Leos Janacek and Mies van der Rohe

## **Brno - basic information**

- $\rightarrow$  total labour force in Brno: 260 000
- → unemployment rate in South Moravia: 4,17 % (09/2020)
- ightarrow average monthly salary in the region: 33.049,-CZK
- $\rightarrow$  office rental costs: 8 13 EUR/m<sup>2</sup>
- $\rightarrow$  monthly rent of an 85 m<sup>2</sup> apartment: 537 EUR
- $\rightarrow$  cost for a lunch: 5 EUR
- $\rightarrow$  high quality of life





## **OF THE INDUSTRIOUS REGION**

## MORAVIAN Manchester

EXCELLENT WOOLLEN FABRIC PRODUCED By South-Moravian Textile Factories Was a popular export all over the World.

## ENGINEERING SUPERPOWER

250 YEARS OF INDUSTRY IN BRNO, WITH WORLD-FAMOUS BRANDS SUCH AS 1ST BRNO ENGINEERING PLANT, KRÁLOVO POLE ENGINEERING PLANT, ZBROJOVKA, AND ZETOR.

## EUROPEAN It centre

AMONG THE GLOBAL ELITE IN CYBERSECURITY, Speech recognition technologies, AND game development.

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# **INDUSTRY AND INNOVATIONS**

**330+** MILLION EUROS ARE SPENT EVERY YEAR ON FLIGHT TICKETS THROUGH KIWI.COM, AN INTERNET SEARCH ENGINE FROM BRNO

> **700+** ELECTRON MICROSCOPES ARE EXPORTED FROM #BRNOREGION EVERY YEAR

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OF THE GLOBAL ANTIVIRUS MARKET IS CONTROLLED BY COMPANIES EITHER WITH BASES OR DEVELOPMENT CENTRES IN #BRNOBEGION

40%

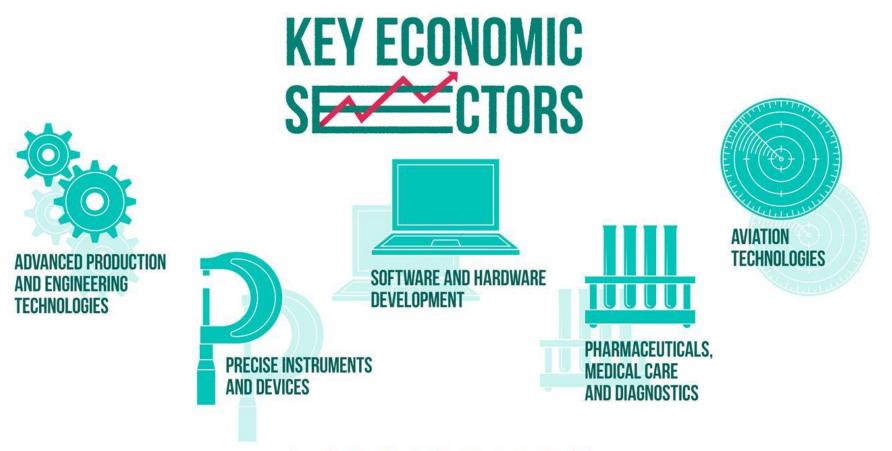
2 ND LARGEST PRODUCER OF HOT-AIR BALLOONS IN THE WORLD IS BASED IN #BRNOREGION

20 YEARS IS HOW LONG #BRNOREGION HAS BEEN AMONG THE GLOBAL ELITE IN SPEECH TECHNOLOGY **30%** OF GLOBAL ELECTRON MICROSCOPE PRODUCTION HAPPENS IN #BRNOREGION

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DIGITAL GAMES Have been released by game Development companies Based in #Brnoregion since 1994

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### #brnoregion Reasons for investment (1)

- Strategic location in central Europe (logistic centers, industrial zones)
- Connecting link between south and north, between east and west
- Good travel connections motorway, railway, airport
- Connection to the direct neighbors Austria and Slovakia
- Qualitative business location
- Science, R&D
- High qualitative industrial location focused on development and industrial sites

### #brnoregion Reasons for investment (2)

- Well educated and flexible labor force
- Excellent business environment
- Support of investors concerning consulting, tax reliefs and incentives
- Long tradition in many corporate sectors, experience in services, high-tech products and engineering
- International companies involved (Honeywell, IBM, Lufthansa, Siemens, ABB etc.)
- Numerous international trade fairs and exhibitions focused on different business sectors

## Accessing Czech market Possibilities

**Cooperation with Czech companies:** 

- Direct delivery to final customers
- Delivery to affiliated company
- > Direct supply of wholesalers
- Direct supply of final customers over Czech representative (Czech company or affiliated company)

### Opportunities for cooperation based on Czech knowledge and technologies:

- Electrical engineering and electronics: components and devices for industrial and private use
- Mechanical engineering: production of machines
- **Construction and building materials:** stone, glass, ceramics and plumbing
- Food industry: semi-finished products, specialties, organic products
- **Technologies**: biomass, biogas, waste water, power engineering
- Heating systems
- Information technologies

#### **About us:**

- Brno RCC is an independent legal entity and a part of the Czech Chamber of Commerce network: voluntary membership
- established in 1850, reestablished 1993
- serves to support enterprise activities and to promote and protect the interests of its member companies
- o 441 members

### **Services for foreign companies**

- Helping SME's to find suitable Czech business partners
- Organizing international trade missions and matchmaking events
- Providing information and practical advice on Czech legislation
- Get in touch with your local Enterprise Europe Network contact point. They can help your business with advice, support and opportunities for international partnerships

### **Get more information:**

Brno Regional Chamber of Commerce	www.rhkbrno.cz
CzechInvest	www.czechinvest.org
South Moravian Innovation Centre	www.jic.cz
Regional Development Agency South Moravia	www. rrajm.cz
South Moravian Region	www. kr- jihomoravsky.cz
City of Brno	www.brno.cz
Trade Fairs Brno	www.bvv.cz

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