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SLOVENIAN BUSINESS AND INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT

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SLOVENIA'S ADVANTAGES

- ✓ Stable export driven economy
- ✓ Excellent geostrategic position with well established easy access to markets
- ✓ Quality infrastructure
- ✓ Innovative workforce





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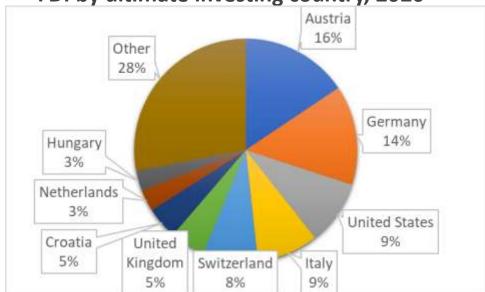
QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- ▶ Port of Koper:
 - ▶ One of the northernmost ports of the Mediterranean
 - ▶ Shortest way to CE Europe from Asia
 - ▶ Excellent port infrastructure
 - ▶ Leading container terminal in North Adriatic and largest car terminal in the Mediterranean
- ▶ Excellent infrastructure for inland transport of goods:
 - Over 700 km of motorways
 - ▶ Over 39,000 km of the road network
 - ▶ Over 2,000 km of railway tracks
- ▶ Reliable ICT infrastructure





FDI by ultimate investing country, 2020



Source: Bank of Slovenia, 2022

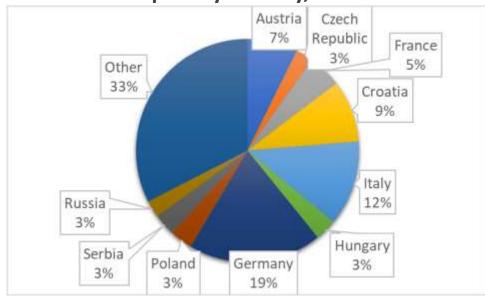
STABLE ECONOMY

- ▶ 100% macroeconomic stability (WEF 2019)
- ▶ One of the fastest growing economies in CEE
 - 4.4 % GDP growth in 2018 and 3.2 % in 2019
 - -4.2 % in 2020 and 8.1 % in 2021
 - Forecast 3.8 % for 2022 and 3.1 % for 2023 (EC, 2022)
- ▶ Committed member of the EU Single Market and the Eurozone
- ▶ Doubled FDI stock in 10 years time





Slovenia's export by country, 2021



Source: Bank of Slovenia, 2022

EXPORT DRIVEN ECONOMY

- ► EUR 43.6 billion (87% of national GDP), of that € 35.3 billion goods and € 8.3 billion services
- ▶ 10.9% annual export growth in real terms in 2021
- ▶ 1st in trading across borders (World Bank Group, Doing business 2019)
- ▶ Top export products:
 - Road vehicles
 - Medicines & pharmaceuticals
 - Machinery & equipment
 - Iron, steel & metals

- Electrical machinery and appliances
- Chemicals, rubber & plastics products
- Food & beverages



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STIMULATING BUSINESS & INVESTMENT

FDI openness

3rd least restrictive country among OECD members (OECD, FDI Regulatory Restrictiveness Index Database 2017

Starting a business – fast and simple

- Only 2 procedures required to register a firm at zero cost
- Maximum 5 days for registration of a Limit liability company (minimum funding capital of EUR 7,500)

Efficient clearance procedures make quick and reliable movement of goods.

19% corporate income tax with:

- 100% tax relief for R&D investment
- 40 % tax relief for investment
- 45% tax relief for employment of certain categories of job seekers

Profit repatriation tax

- 15 %
- 0 % for EU residents

Value Added Tax

- 22 % standard rate
- 9.5 % reduced rate

Capital Gain Tax: 0 – 27.5 %19 %

Incentives

For investment in:

- Manufacturing
- Service activities
- R&D activities

For **new employment**



Pollution index, 2021 Slovenia (9) Croatia (18) Czech Republic (22) 36.3 Slovakia (25) 39.08 Hungary (34) 47.81 Poland (41) Source: Numbeo, 2021



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RESPONSIBLE TOWARDS THE FUTURE

- at the forefront of countries transitioning to circular economy whit focus on sustainability, green technologies, corporate social responsibility
- > 10th amongst EU countries in ECO innovations
- ➤ 3rd most forested and 4th richest country in internal renewable water resources in Europe (Eurostat, 2020)
- Slovenia is the initiator of the World Bee Day
- > 13th in the quality of life (Numbeo, 2020)



Productivity in Industry, 2019 Related GDP (PPP) per person employed in industry (in EUR) 10,000 20,000 30,000 40,000 50,000 60,000 70,000 80,000 Slovenia Poland 64,283 Slovakia 61,538 Portugal 54,894 Czech Rep. 54.717 53,793 53,427 Croatia Bulgaria Source: IMD, 2020



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HIGHLY CAPABLE AND PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE

- 40.7% of young people (25-34) has attained at least tertiary education (IMD, 2019)
- 55% of the total working population has completed secondary education, while 36% has a university degree (SURS, 2019)
- 38.5% of students graduated in science and engineering (IMD, 2020)
- Slovenia's productivity ranks above its near neighbours: Croatia,
 Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Poland ...
- 84% of working population speaks at least one foreign language,
 while 63% speaks at least 2 foreign languages (Eurostat, 2017)



Bloomberg Innovation Index 2021 Hungary



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INNOVATIVE ENVIRONMENT - IMPORTANT R&D PLAYER IN THE REGION

- 1.9 % GDP allocated to R&D, ¾ by business sector
- Slovenia spends on R&D, as % of its GDP, more than any other country in the region and it's 12th in the EU (Eurostat, 2018)
- 4,900 researches in R&D per 1 million people, full-time equivalent (IMD, 2020)
- 13th in total R&D personal in business per capita, 5.05 full-time work equivalent per 1000 employees (IMD, 2020)
- Innovative Economy (Bloomberg Innovation Index 2021)





KEY INDUSTRIES & ADVANCED SOLUTIONS IN SLOVENIA

INDUSTRIES

- 1. Automotive
- 2. ICT
- 3. Machining & Metalworking
- 4. Electrical & Electronics
- 5. Health Care Products & Devices
- 6. Plastic & Rubber

SOLUTIONS

- 1. Smart Factories & Industrial Automation
- 2. Green Technologies
- 3. Agricultural Machinery & Equipment
- 4. Food-Processing Machinery & Equipment

Take the advantage and benefit from:

- ✓ high quality,
- ✓ modern production,
- ✓ competitive products and services at competitive prices,
- ✓ engineering expertise
- ✓ niche specialization & long sector experience
- ✓ innovative solutions and flexibility





INDUSTRY: MACHINING & METALWORKING

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Top export products:

#1 metal fittings and components #2 metal tools #3 turbines and pumps

Global leaders in:

- high end titanium exhaust systems
- logging winches and firewood processors
- crankshaft processing machines
- industrial knives

KEY FACTS 2020:

2,650 companies 56,700 employees € 7.7 billion revenues

Opportunities for foreign partners:

- metal structures and propulsion elements
- 3D metal customised printing
- metal matrix composites
- aluminium alloys and products





INDUSTRY: **ELECTRONICS**

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#1 electrical signaling devices

#2 household appliances

#3 electrical motors and machines



- the biomass combustion controller market
- the commercial vacuum-cleaner motor segment

KEY FACTS 2020:

850 companies 29,100 employees € 4.9 billion revenues

Opportunities for foreign partners:

- robotics and automation solutions
- smart lights solutions and design
- smart home products
- high-quality niche products for electric vehicles in particulary

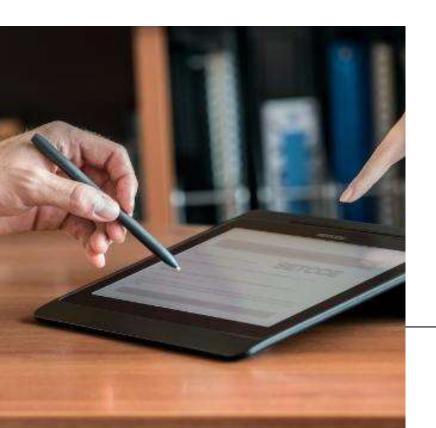






INDUSTRY: ICT

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Top export products:

#1 telecommunications services #2 hardware and large software storage systems

#3 data acquisition systems

Global leaders in:

- water-cooling systems for computers
- the first EU member with a national blockchain test infrastructure (SI-Chain)
- the World's first cryptocurrency exchange with an official license to operate within the EU
- control software for proton cancer therapy systems

KEY FACTS 2020:

3,660 companies 23,00 employees € 4.6 billion revenues

Opportunities for foreign partners:

- information systems outsourcing,
- systems integration and hardware support,
- cyber security software,
- cloud computing





ADVANCED SOLUTIONS FOR: SMART FACTORIES & INDUSTRIAL AUTOMATION

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Robotics

- Robot scanning cells for laser processing,
- Intelligent sensors and actuators,
- Adaptive robotic cells,
- Computer control in industry
- Virtual factory platform.

Tooling

- Smart tools,
- Intelligent interaction of tools and machines,
- Tool system as an integral part of IoT,
- Intelligent tool management,
- Pilot line with smart platform.

ICT Technologies:

Blockchain
3D printing
Artificial Intelligence
Internet od Things
Biometrics





ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS AND BUYERS OF SLOVENIAN PRODUCTS / SERVICES

SPIRIT Slovenia, Business Development Agency:

- ▶ Entrusted with the regulatory, expert and development tasks serving to increase competitiveness of Slovenia's economy in:
 - ✓ Foreign Direct Investment
 - ✓ Internationalization
 - ✓ Technology
 - ✓ Entrepreneurship
- Support and facilitation of free services

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