



If you are looking for opportunities to invest in Baden-Württemberg or cooperate with other companies or research institutions in the state, Baden-Württemberg International is your go-to partner for what you need. Talk to us!

**Baden-Württemberg International –
Paving the way for your access to
Europe**

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Baden-Württemberg: Your gateway to the European Union

The German federal state of Baden-Württemberg is the innovation region number 1 in Europe and, with its outstanding qualities as a location, has a lot to offer to investors. In addition to its strong economy, highly qualified workforce, excellent research environment and modern infrastructure, the German southwest primarily scores points with wide-ranging innovations and inventiveness. Within the European Union (EU), Baden-Württemberg is the region with the greatest capacity to innovate: about five per cent of its gross domestic product is invested in research and development every year.

Baden-Württemberg is a location with a future. Notable for its high-tech, industrial capacity and service providers, the state enjoys an outstanding reputation and occupies leading positions in industries that traditionally typify the southwest such as mechanical engineering, automotive manufacturing and the healthcare sector. Baden-Württemberg is also particularly strong in important technologies of the future such as Industry 4.0 and renewable forms of energy.

Thanks to its central position, Baden-Württemberg is an optimum gateway to the markets of the EU, the world's economically strongest single market with around 500 million consumers. This makes it particularly attractive to international companies and research institutions looking for investment opportunities – especially after Great Britain's planned exit from the EU.

You can obtain more information on Baden-Württemberg as a location at www.bw-invest.de/en.

Our service for you:

Baden-Württemberg International (bw-i), the state agency for the promotion of trade and industry, is the central point of contact for foreign investors in Baden-Württemberg and provides assistance to companies and research institutions that either wish to settle in the southwest or expand their operations in the state. Our range of services includes the following:

- **Information:** We provide solidly grounded information and expert knowledge regarding Baden-Württemberg as a location for investment as well as information relating to branches of industry, clusters and networks, and scientific institutions. We also offer an overview of the general legal situation and the regulations that currently apply in the state.
- **Cooperation partners:** We identify suitable partners who would be willing to cooperate in the areas of business and research.
- **Settlement:** We help you to look for a suitable location, organise on-site inspection tours of locations that could be of interest to you and provide you with support in all phases of the planned settlement process.
- **Contacts:** We put you in contact with all the important players in the area of regional and local economic development as well as with the relevant industry associations, cluster initiatives and networks.