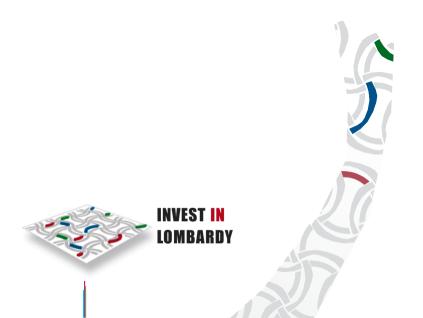
POST-BREXIT EUROPE: WHY MILAN & LOMBARDY AFTER LONDON









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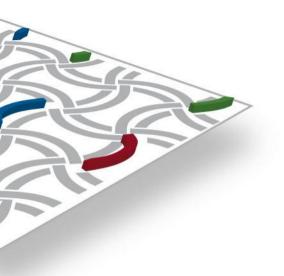
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WELCOME TO MILAN, LOMBARDY

WELCOME TO MILAN, LOMBARDY: THE RIGHT PLACE TO INVEST





Milan is the capital of **Lombardy**, Italy's **wealthiest region** and one of Europe's strongest economies. The city will be the **second largest post-Brexit economy** amongst European cities, the largest among non-capital cities



Opting for Milan is to choose one of the most **attractive and international** cities in the world. Home to more than **100 consulates** and foreign commercial offices, Milan is second only to New York . Out of the global **top ten multinational companies**, seven have offices in Milan



Milan is an **excellent business environment**: listed within the **top ten cities** for investment projects in Western Europe, it is the **bridge** that connects the **north** with the **south** of the continent and represents a **strategic hub for EMEA** markets

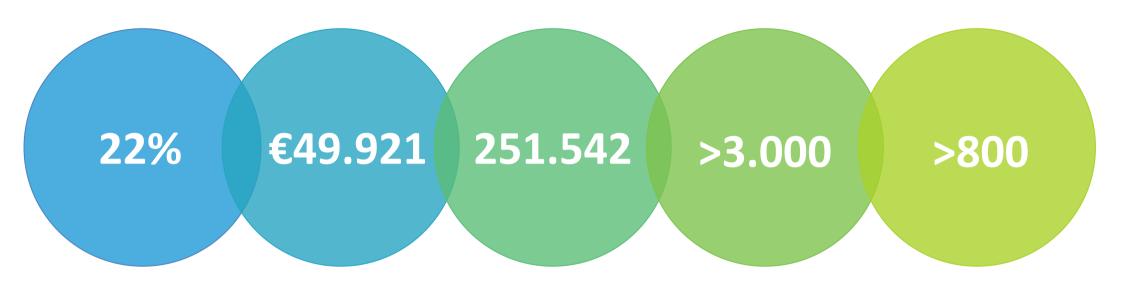


Milan is a major **European financial centre**: home to more than **170 banks**, the city is a gateway for international capital markets. It hosts the **Italian Stock Exchange**, closely linked with the London Stock Exchange



MILAN, LOMBARDY: FACTS AND FIGURES





Lombardy generates **22%** of Italy's **GDP**, higher than Austria, Denmark, Finland, Ireland and Portugal

Milan

generates **9%** of Italy's **GDP**. GDP per capita amounts to **€49.921,** twice the national and EU average

Milan

is a very diversified pool of talents:
251.542 students are currently enrolled in Lombardy universities

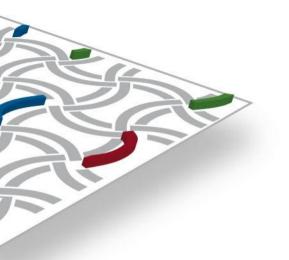
Milan

is an attractive city:
home to more than
3.000 multinational
companies with
more than €175
billion of turnover

Milan

is a cluster of innovation: with over **800** startups, the city is a European hub for disruptive companies





10 GOOD REASONS TO CHOOSE MILAN, LOMBARDY

10 GOOD REASONS TO CHOOSE MILAN, LOMBARDY









BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT



INTERNATIONAL APPEAL



EMEA MARKETS















1. THE ITALIAN CONTEX





with a total GDP of \$1.821.597, Italy is the third economy in the Eurozone, the eight in the world. Italian consumers' net wealth is eight times bigger than their disposable income (higher than USA and Germany)



With the aim to boost competitiveness and produce economic growth, Italy started an ambitious plan of structural reforms:

- JOBS ACT
- Reform of the Civil Justice System
- Reform of the public administration
- Industria 4.0



The Italian tax system is changing to better support companies and investors:

- A reduced corporate tax (From 27.5% to 24%)
- New flat tax on capital gains on investment in foreign countries (€100.000 for 15 years)
- "Decreto Pagano"



2. BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT



Global reach

The Milan metropolitan area accounts for nearly 1/3 of all foreign invested firms in Italy.

Business hub

Milan is the European city with the highest density of multinational companies: home to 3,000 multinational companies, 274.000 employees and a turnover of € 175 hillion

A growing global capital

Milan is the Italian financial centre: home of the Italian Stock Exchange, it hosts 198 banks and 7 of top 10 global multinational companies

A business mentality

Lombardy has more than **800.000 companies**, one for every 100 inhabitants. 1 in 8 inhabitants is an entrepreneur



Starting a new business is easy and simple: it takes 6 working days, faster than in the UK and Germany

Policy measures: AttrACT

Agreements in which the **Municipality** and **Lombardy** Region engage to implement concrete actions to facilitate investments on the territory



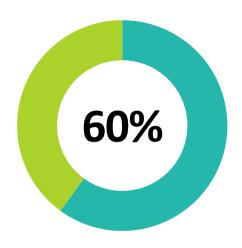
Open to foreign companies

Lombardy hosts 6.398 foreign companies, giving work to more than 575.000 employees and generating a turnover of € 257 billion. Milan is home also to the second greatest **exhibition** space in Europe

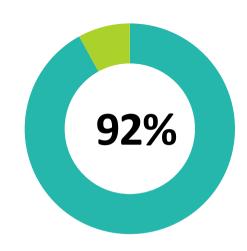


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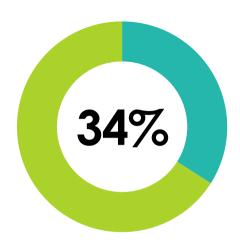




Lombardy attracts more than 60% of all the Foreign Direct Investments coming to Italy



Out of **100 top multinationals** that
have invested in Italy, **92** are housed in
Lombardy



Milan is home to more than 3,000 multinationals, 34% of the total at national level

4. ACCESSIBILITY TO EMEA MARKETS



STRATEGIC POSITION

Lombardy is a gateway to a potential market of **500 million** consumers within the **EU** and **270 million** in **North Africa and the Middle East**, an area representing the **15% of global GDP**



INFRASTRUCTURE

- 900 km of national roads
- 11,000 km of provincial roads
- 58.000 km of municipal roads
- 573 km of highways
- 4 international airports
- 1680 km of railway network

A KEY LOGISTIC NODE

Milan is a key **logistic node** within Lombardy, Italy's main logistic centre with **1.476 companies active in the sector**

THE ITALIAN WAREHOUSE

- Lombardy hosts 145.720 warehouses, 20% of the Italian stock
- Half of all goods flying to and from Italy pass through Milan airports



5. A GLOBAL DESTINATION

A GROWING DESTINATION

- **21.700.000** overnight stays in Lombardy in 2016
- 54% of international tourists
- 46% of national tourists
- **€ 4.1 billion** of business in 2016

MILAN: A GLOBAL SUCCESS

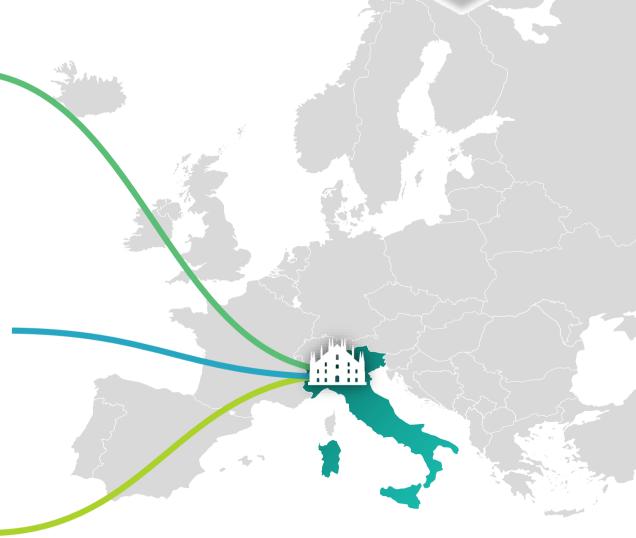
- 7,6 million tourist arrivals in Milan in 2016,
 +48% since 2008. +100% since 2000
- 1st touristic destination in Italy in 2016
- 6th touristic destination in Europe in 2016
 14th touristic destination in the world in 2016
- Milan is the second European Best Destination after Oporto (BDE Ranking 2017)

GREAT TOURISM FACILITIES

- 3.279 accommodation facilities in Lombardy, of which 1.000 in Milan
- Lombardy is a land of amazing **villages** and **lakes**: they account respectively for over 48% and 41% of total touristic demand
- 130 protected areas make Lombardy one of the greenest regions in Italy



Source: CCIA Milano; "Why Invest in Milan" by JLL; Invest in Lombardy Research Unit on Eupolis and Istat data



6. HUMAN CAPITAL



12

12 UNIVERSITIES

within the
Lombardy Region,
8 within Milan
with more than
250.000 students
enrolled

10%

10% POPULATION

Milan universities represent 10% of Italian university population

17%

17%
INTERNATIONALS

Almost 1 in 5 international students in Italy are enrolled in Milan universities 500

500 RESEARCH CENTRES

Lombardy accounts for 500 research and development centres, 10 sciences and technology clusters.

7. INNOVATION - A SMART CITY



SMART CITY TECHNOLOGIES

One of the most cabled cities in Europe, Milan is in the **TOP 3 EY Smart City** Index 2016C

INNOVATIVE STARTUPS

Milan is the Italian capital for innovative startups: 926, 15% of the country's total. Since 2007, Lombardy has seen the growth of 12.000 knowledge-intensive start-ups

COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

Milan is the best Italian City for the ICT clusters in terms of infrastructure, labour availability and quality

CONNECTIVITY

Milan has been one of the first European testbeds for 5G connectivity

POLICY MEASURES

The city of Milan has launched a new "Plan for **Digital Transformation**" set to transform Milan in a European Capital for Smart City and IoT technologies

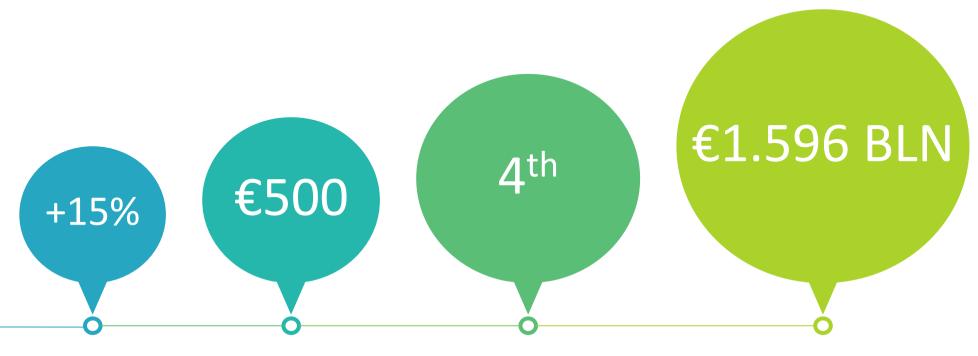
Source: EY Smart City Index 2016; Invest in Lombardy Research

Unit



8. REAL ESTATE





SPECTACULAR SUPPLY

The office supply in Milan accounts for 3.4 million square meters, increased in 2015 by 15,8%

A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

With a Rental Price of

prime office properties of €500 sqm/year, Milan is more competitive than London, Paris, Geneva and Dublin

A TOP GLOBAL DESTINATIONS

In 2015, Milan was the 4°
Real Estate Market in
Europe. 80% of
investments originated
from investors outside
Europe

AN ACTIVE MARKET

The market of real estate investments in Milan is very dynamic: in 2016 transactions accounted for € 1.596 billion



9. QUALITY OF LIFE



MILAN: A TOP QUALITY OF LIFE

Milan is a multicultural and vibrant city: almost 20% of its population are foreigners, with more than 150 countries represented. Undisputed world capital of fashion and design, Milan is also a city of music, culture and tourism.



CULTURE

372 sites of interest, 138 cultural spaces, 71 theaters and 85 museums, 9 UNESCO sites within the region, 13 Michelin-starred restaurants within the city



MUSIC

315.573 shows in 2016, with almost 30 million attendees and business volume of €1 billion



INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Milan hosts every year 25 international exhibitions such as **Salone del Mobile** and **Milano Fashion week** for a total of 15.000 exhibitors and more than a million of visitors.



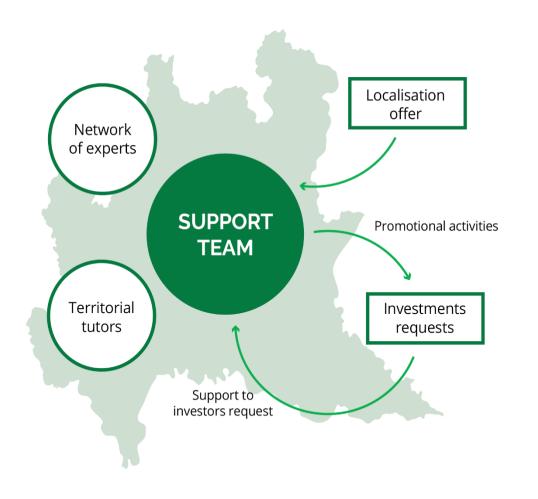
FASHION

Milan is the **international capital of fashion**, the favorite destination for shopping lovers: **7.392.538 tourist arrivals in 2015**

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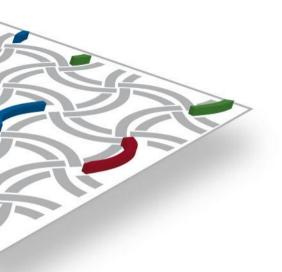
TOOLS

GOALS



ASSISTANCE TO INVESTORS





KEY SECTORS

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ICT & MEDIA

1.200 companies active within the industry

A global capital of multimedia and publishing services

CREATIVE INDUSTRY

13.000 companies, 84.000 professionals

Lombardy hosts the most important International Furniture Fair in the world and one of the top 3 Fashion week event

FINANCE & CONSULTANCY

Milan is home to more than **10.000 financial** services companies

The city gives jobs to more than **100.000** professionals

CHEMICALS & PHARMA

Lombardy is the **2**nd **region in Europe for** number of **employees**

Milan is a serious candidate to host the next EMA headquarters (European Medicines Agency) in the Brexit scenario

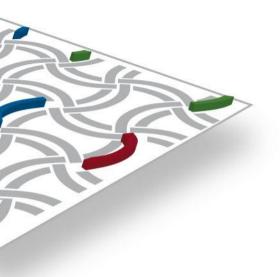
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Milan ranks 2nd in Europe for number of companies supporting innovation

22% of R&D expenditures are generated in Lombardy





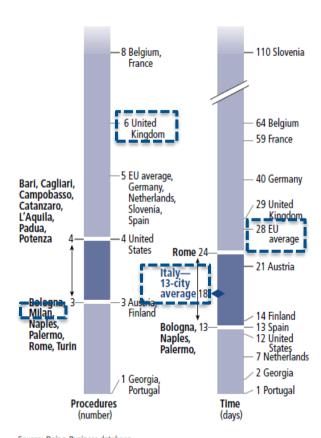


INSIGHTS INTO LOMBARDY'S BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

TIMING & PROCEDURES



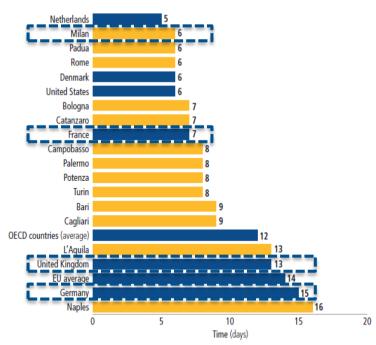
Registering property in **Milan is faster** and **less expensive** than in
many EU economies



Source: Doing Business database.

Starting a business in Milan is faster than in **UK** or **Germany**





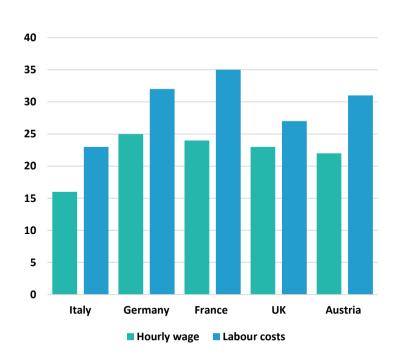
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LABOUR MARKET DATA

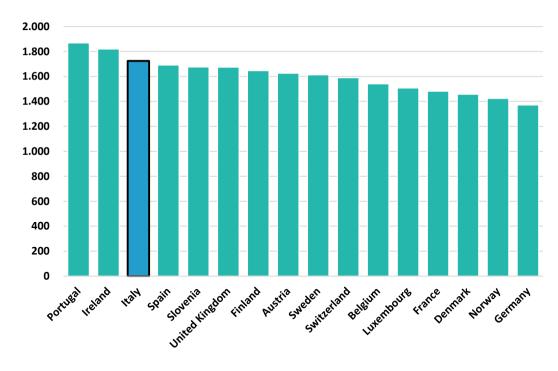


- According to OECD data, Italy has lower labour costs comparing to France, Germany, Austria and UK.
- In comparison with other countries (Austria, France, UK, Germany) Italian workers have **higher** average **annual hours** worked.

Comparing ISTAT and OECD data (2016)



Comparing hours worked per worker (2016)

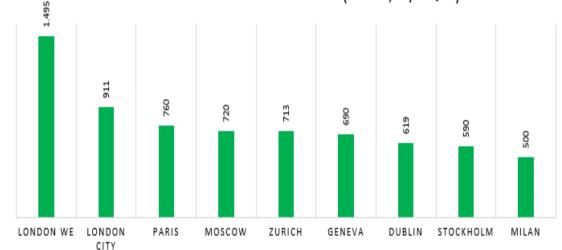


OFFICES RENTAL DATA



- Lombardy is the top Italian region for **office stock** with over **140.000 units**
- □ 22% of the National office stock is in **Lombardy**
- At the end of **2015**, rental prices of prime office properties were at **€490** per square meter. A very competitive price compared to European competitors.
- In 2015 office stock in Milan reached over **12,58** million sqm of total space
- **Vacancy** is showing a downward trend compared to the previous year: in 2015 is at **13,4**%
- Take-up in 2015 was 320,000 sqm, **16% above the 276,000** sqm/year average of the last 5 years

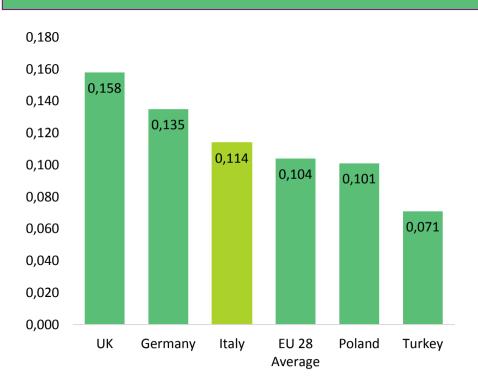
RENTAL PRICES OF PRIME OFFICE PROPERTIES IN SELECTED EUROPEAN CITIES (2015, €/SQM)



WATER AND ENERGY COSTS

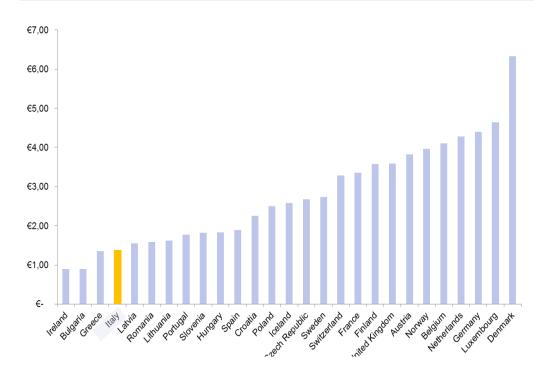


Electricity Costs in Europe at Band IF* (EUR per KWh in 2015, all taxes and levies incl.)



Electricity costs are **lower** than other highly industrial european countries such as **UK** and **Germany**

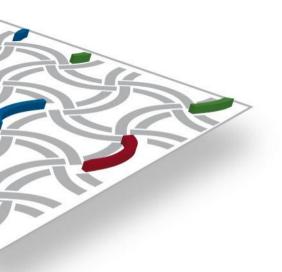
Industrial Water Costs in Europe (EUR per m³ in 2015, all taxes and levies incl.)



Within the most industrialised economies in Europe, Italy has by far the most competitive water costs







TIPS FOR INVESTORS: INVEST IN LOMBARDY'S PARTNERS' CONTRIBUTION





SUPER-DEPRECIATION:

A temporary accelerated depreciation regime has been Introduced, providing a **40% extradeduction** - for depreciation purposes – of the acquisition costs of new tangible assets purchased. Therefore, the company would realize a **net saving of 9,6%** on the investment made. The provision applies to new assets purchased by 31/12/2017 or 30/6/2018, provided that the orders have been signed by 31/12/2017



HYPER-DEPRECIATION:

An even more generous accelerated depreciation regime for new high-tech tangible and intangible assets, functional to the digital transformation of Italian enterprises.

For these assets, the acquisition cost is **increased by 150%** for depreciation purposes. In case of purchases exceeding Euro 500.000, in order to benefit from this favourable regime, companies are required to obtain a certification from an expert to declare that the assets fall within the ones listed in Law 232/2016



«NUOVA SABATINI»

This measure, provided to all companies interested in upgrading industrial plants, buying new machinery and equipment, investing in hardware, software and digital technologies, consists in a **Financial Contribution** (at a **2.75% rate for 5 years**) to cover the interest payable on bank loans, ranging between Euro 20,000 and Euro 2,000,000.







TAX CREDIT ON R&D

A tax credit to all enterprises is available for R&D expenses. The main activities eligible for the R&D tax credit are:



- basic research;
- applied reearch;
- experimental development;
- manufacturing and testing of products, processes and service.

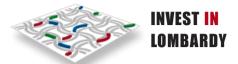
The **tax credit is equal to 50%** of the qualyfing expenses incurred as from 1/1/2017 over the yearly average of such qualifying R&D expenditures that the enterprise has incurred in the 3 fiscal years preceding the fiscal year as at 31 December 2014

PATENT BOX

Opportunity to choose a facilitated fiscal regime: **exemption from overall income of 50% of profits** coming from direct / indirect use of specific intellectual property (DM MEF-MISE 30 July 2015)



THE 2017 BUDGET LAW: OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS





New Italian resident

Individuals who transfer their fiscal residence to Italy may be qualified for the new "substitute-tax" regime, on all sources of income located abroad.

The annual substitute tax amounts to Euro 100.000.

Possibility to extend the regime to each family members who transfer their residence to Italy. In this case, annual substitute tax to Euro 25.000.



Golden Visa

Under specific conditions a non-UE citizen may obtain a temporary visa (2 + 3 years) to stay in Italy



«Highly skilled people» regime

A **tax rate reduction** for individuals (employment or self-employment) who transfer their residence in Italy upon condition are met

THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INNOVATIVE STARTUPS







Free-of-charge incorporation with digital signature



Easier to cover systematic losses



Easier access to bank loan



Easier compensation of VAT credit



No regulations on dummy companies



Incentives to investment



Fail-fast

THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INNOVATIVE SMEs





Free access to #ItalyFrontiers



Flexible corporate management



Easier to cover systematic losses



Exemptions on dummy companies



Incentives to work for equity schemes



Incentives to investment



Equity crowdfunding



Easier access to bank loans



ITA Service Card

A MODERN, COMPETITIVE AND NON-DISCRIMINATORY LABOUR MARKET



In the last decade, Italy has implemented a number of substantial reforms of labour market aimed at the creation of a modern, competitive and non-discretionary environment



Limited Reinstatement

Since 2015 reinstatement has been limited to cases of discrimination proven by the concerned employees. The due indemnity is not discretionary for the judge



Court litigation

the court litigation has dramatically fallen (approx. 70% reduction of court cases concerning dismissals and end of fixed term)



Indemnity

With the new reform, should the dismissal be declared unfair, the employee is entitled to an indemnity amounting to 2 months' salary per each year of seniority



Length of Court litigation

the length of first degree employment Court litigation: 1-1.2 years on average at Italian level; 7 months at the Court of Milan;



Out of court settlement

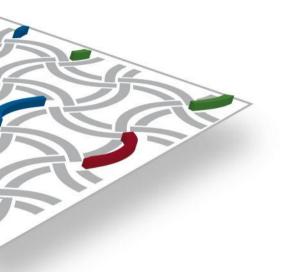
The new law on dismissal encourages the parties to find a prompt and amicable out of court settlement. Example: should the employee accept an offer of 1 month per year of seniority, up to a maximum of 12 months, a substantial tax exemption applies



New powers for the employer

since 2015, the employer has a wide power to freely decide the duties to which the employee must be assigned to during the employment relationship





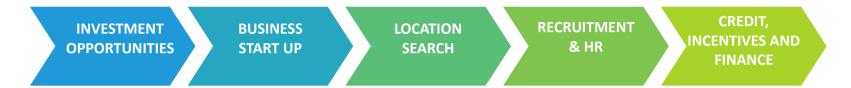
HOW WE CAN SUPPORT YOUR BUSINESS

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Invest in Lombardy supports foreign investors along the entire process of settlement and expansion of the investment, by giving quick and useful responses to their needs

Thinking of starting up a business in Lombardy?



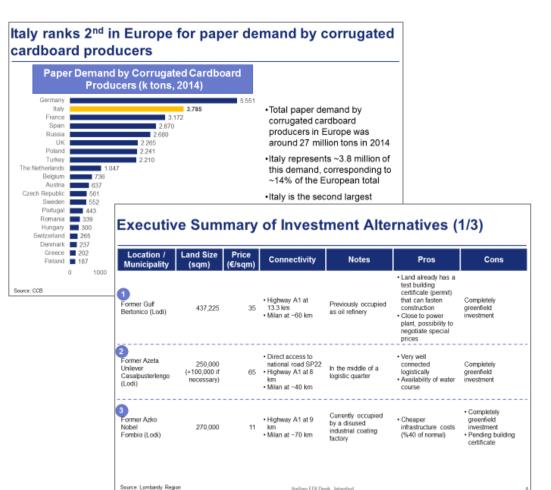
Planning to expand your business in Lombardy?

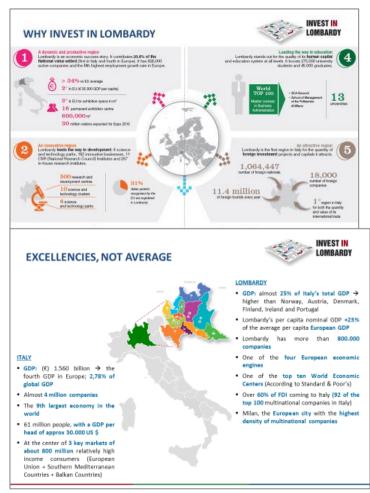


ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH



☐ Support in market research for business plan implementation





LOCATION SEARCH

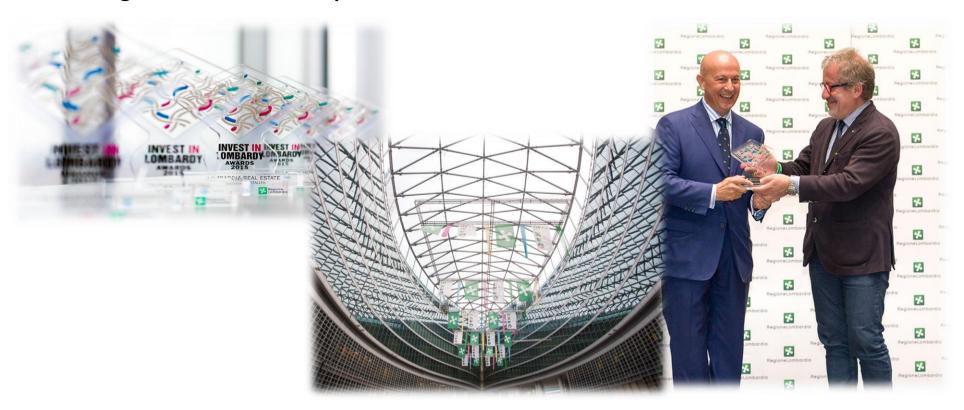


☐ Selection of **suitable locations** for the companies ☐ Assistance during the **location assessment and site visit** LOMBARDY REAL ESTATE OPPORTUNITIES THE FUTURE OF EXPO MILAN REAL ESTATE PROJECTS PORTFOLIO Greenfield and Brownfield opportunities map 1. Bertonico (Lodi) 2. Casalpusterlengo (Lodi) 3. Fombio (Lodi) 4. Viadana (Mantova) 5. Valdaro (Mantova) 6. Cartiera di Voghera (Pavia) 7. Cartiera di Vidamo (Lodi) INVESTMENT SITES Mantua 🦃 CREMONA LOCATION: VIA SESTO, CREMONA, LOMBARD Retail (excuding large outlets 437,225 sqm 214,200 sqm GFA max . Set back from the north side mt. 500 SS 415 Paullese (towards Crema the Port of Cremona Canal and from the SS 234 (direction Codogno-Pavia)

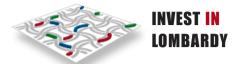
DEALING WITH PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS



- ☐ Facilitating contacts with local authorities and Institutions
- ☐ Introducing to local administration for complex investments (e.g. logistics, industrial, etc...)
- **□ Dealing** with **administrative procedures**



ACCESS TO INCENTIVES AND CREDIT



- ☐ Searching into possible incentives available for your business at national and local level
- ☐ Facilitating **links** with **credit institutions** and financial entities



ITALIAN AND LOMBARDY INCENTIVES FOR GREENFIELD INVESTMENTS



COMPETITIVENESS COMMITMENT WITH LOMBARDY REGION:

Help step by step of the istitutions to private companies:

- "One stop office" a single decision-making center for all matters
- · Quick and concrete answer: answers within 1 month
- Taylor made support
- Profitable direct collaborations with local Institutions
- Access to highly specialized skills and R&D infrastructure

HIRING HUMAN RESOURCES: tax credit for hiring young (30% of the salary for 18 months) and woman personnel (50% of the salary for 18 months)

ACQUISITION OF NEW MACHINERY: financial aid at subsidized rate for machinery acquisition in industrial sector.

- Maximum loan 2 million (euro)
- Either National and Lombardy founds are available

INNOVATIVE START-UP:

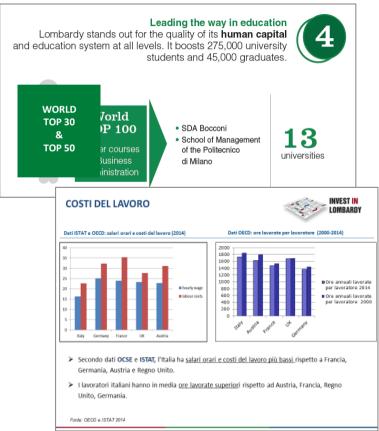
- · Flexible working contract for hiring skilled personnel
- Tax credit for hiring for skilled personnel (35% of the annual salary)
- . Easy access to financial credit (max 2,5 Milion of Euro) at subsidized and government warranties
- · Accelerate procedures for the setting up and registration of the newco

HR AND RECRUITMENT SERVICES



- ☐ Assistance in **identifying the most suitable staff** for your business
- ☐ Facilitating **links with public and private stakeholders** in the recruitment sector
- ☐ Supporting in identifying the existing relevant public incentives for hiring young people





M&A PLATFORM



- ☐ Collecting **blind profiles** of Italian capital seeking companies and foreign investors
- ☐ Facilitating Merger & Acquisition opportunities matching between Italian and foreign companies



M&A OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN ITALIAN INDUSTRIES



- · Main sectors: manufacturing, machinery, automotive, aerospace, fashion, cosmetics, pharmaceutical
- . High skilled SME characterized by Made in Italy quality and high level expertise in niche sectors
- Companies turnovers range from 1,5 mln euro to 140 mln euro





OUR PARTNERS





















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