

## 10 steps to start your investment – We are ready, are you?

- 1 Define the framework of your investment project
- 2 Contact us and receive a suitable location offer
- 3 Get a picture of the locality in Germany or Poland
- 4 Apply with us for investment incentives
- 5 Decide on a legal form and establish a company
- 6 Prepare & submit necessary application documents
- 7 Open a commercial account
- 8 Sign your financial arrangements
- 9 Select your future employees
- 10 Start the implementation of your project



## Investor Center Ostbrandenburg 2 countries – 1 point of contact

As a one-stop agency we help you manage your investment project professionally, transnationally, and free of charge:

- Preparation of individual, sector-specific location offers
- Formulation of business models and -plans with due consideration for tax aspects and funding options
- Advice on and application for subsidies and funding
- Help with the selection of suitable industrial sites or commercial buildings
- Assistance with workforce preselection
- Establishment of contacts with local partners, service providers and with municipal, state & federal institutions
- Experienced, multilingual project managers



We take care of your business.

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Grenzen überwinden durch gemeinsame Investition in die Zukunft  
Das Projekt wird aus Mitteln des Europäischen Fonds für Regionale Entwicklung im Rahmen des Operationellen Programms zur grenzüberschreitenden Zusammenarbeit Polen (Województwo Lubuskie) - Brandenburg 2007–2013 gefördert.



## Business without borders.



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# Factors in favour of Frankfurt (Oder)/Ślubice

- Central location in Europe – with quick connection to the world
- Free movement of workers since 2011: Workers from Germany and Poland – multilingual, productive and highly skilled
- Excellent funding conditions – highest financial investment support within the European Union
- Pro-business mindset – straightforward and swift decisions in all matters relating to realize your project
- Modern infrastructure – for any requirements
- Well-developed industrial and commercial sites
- Wide availability of real estate for purchase or rent
- High quality of life – international, family-friendly and relaxing



## Funding & Subsidies

Yes	EU funding programmes	Yes
No	Exemption from land & property taxes	Yes
No	Exemption from corporate tax	Yes*
Yes	Direct investment grants (cash-back)	No

## Multilingual workforce

- Free movement of workers since May 2011: Cross-border employment possible on both sides of the River Oder
- 6,500 students at the European University Viadrina and 1,500 students at the Collegium Polonicum – linguistic proficiency from 80 nations
- Employment Agency Frankfurt (Oder) as your personal point of contact for the recruitment of staff from Germany and Poland
- Future employees shortlisted free of charge based on your job specification

## Tax rates by comparison\*\*

15%	Corporate tax	19%
19%	Value added tax	23%
14%***	Trade tax	---

\* In special economic zones

\*\* Germany using the example of Frankfurt (Oder) | Poland using the example of Ślubice

\*\*\* Trade tax collection rate 400 %