# 10 Reasons

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Due to a strong High Tech ecosystem, many leading companies have chosen West Holland to establish their operations. Dominant sectors in the region, such as Horticulture, Maritime & Offshore, Space, Water and Life Sciences are increasingly dependent on technology, providing opportunities for High Tech companies of all sorts. The region is home to world leading universities, many High Tech startups and has easy access to the Port of Rotterdam, Rotterdam The Hague Airport and Schiphol Airport. We present 10 reasons to invest in the West Holland region.

#### **BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES**





- Open economy and a history of trade
- Creative in applying science and technology
- Internal European market

**400** million customers within 800 miles



**GLOBAL LEADERSHIP IN KEY HIGH TECH INDUSTRIES** 















**LEADING COMPANIES** 

THALES

**SIEMENS** 

















TALENT & KNOWLEDGE



INTERNATIONAL TALENT

Delft University of Technology (TU Delft):



technology university in the world



in Aerospace Engineering in Europe in Computer Science in The Netherlands

66% of PhD's at TU Delft are international

Total number of students in West Holland:

Students at Universities of Applied Sciences

65,000

Students at Research Universities

3.000 PhD Students



#### **TOP EXPERTISE**













**Big Data** 

**Materials** 

Instrumentation

**Nano Technology** 

Smart Design & **Engineering** 

**TU Delft TNO** 

#1 Technical University in The Netherlands

**Leiden University** 

QuTech **ESA / ESTEC**  Research organization with 3,000 professionals, working on IT, Sensors, Robotics

Center for Big Data Science / Genomics

Top 3 in the world in Quantum Computing, sponsored by Microsoft and Intel European Space Research & Technology Center, with 2,500 professionals

### JOINT INDUSTRY PROJECTS



















and many more

#### **OPEN NETWORKS**

RoboValley

- 170 Robotics scientists
- 30 Startups
- Investment fund of € 100 M

Exact

- **Holland Instrumentation** The Hague Security Delta
- **Medical Delta**

Clean Tech Delta

- Largest security cluster in Europe
  - Network of 400 Health & Technology companies

Network of 700 High Tech companies and organizations

Collaboration for Cleantech adaptation

#### **Open source projects:**

low cost with high quality

Design & production of highly complex and multidiscipline products

#### SUCCESS STORIES



STARTUP ECOSYSTEM TU Delft & TNO:



Ampelmann Mapper Fox-IT Technolution Aerialtronics ISIS (nanosatellites)

400 employees 250 employees 200 employees 200 employees 180 employees 60 employees 60 employees

1,600 employees

Incubators & accelerators:

YES!Delft, RDM Campus, CIC Rotterdam, HSD Campus, ESA BIC, Crosspring

## **GREAT INFRASTRUCTURE**

Located near Port of Rotterdam, Rotterdam The Hague Airport and Schiphol Airport



#1 country in Europe for logistics

(HIDC, 2015)



#1 in DHL Connectedness Index

(DHL, 2015)



#### #1 Internet Exchange

AMS-IX – Fastest internet in Europe (Akamai, 2016)

**WORLD CHAMPIONS** 10



6x winner Bridgestone Solar Challenge



1 of 3 finalists at SpaceX Hyperloop Pod Competition



#1 at Amazon Picking Challenge 2016

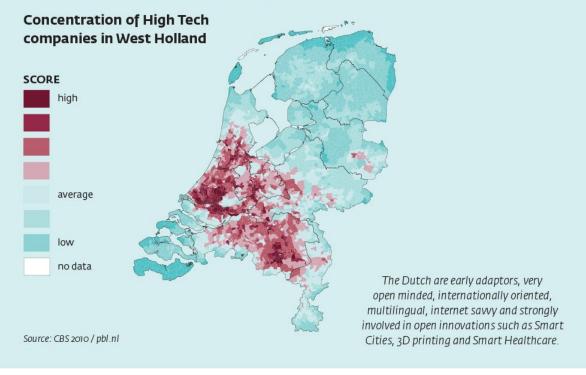
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# West Holland, the **Hotspot** for **High Tech Industry**

#### Gateway to Europe

The Netherlands is home to 450,000 professionals in the High Tech sector, generating € 45 billion worth of exports and invested € 3,6 billion in R&D. The Dutch High Tech sector develops, produces and integrates high quality end products for customers all over the world and is known for innovative and intelligent design. Dutch High Tech products are applied in, among others, medical devices, maritime & offshore, horticulture, airplanes, satellites, semiconductors, automotive, logistics and energy systems.



InnovationQuarter is the Economic Development
Agency for the West Holland region in the
Netherlands. We provide free assistance and advice
to international companies looking to locate in West
Holland. In addition, we facilitate co-operation
between companies, academic institutions and
government. Moreover, InnovationQuarter funds
innovative and fast-growing businesses in the region.

#### **WEST HOLLAND OFFERS YOU**

- A strategic location in the heart of Europe
- Excellent business, research and incubation facilities
- Highly educated and multilingual workforce
- · Competitive tax climate
- Excellent quality of life



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