

► Environmental Technology | Opportunities in Belgium

The Environmental Technology Industry

Belgium is a world player in environmental technologies and home to innovative companies in the areas of clean energy technologies and renewable energy, including solar and wind.

- *Belgium is the 8th leading exporter of clean energy technologies (World Wildlife Federation, 2009).*
- *Belgium is the 5th leading country in the world for wind turbines.*

Belgium is also a leader in water and air purification.

Innovations

Belgium is a pioneer of environmental research and an innovator for biomass energy.

- *A Belgian company led the break-through of using integrated wood paste and sawdust to fuel biomass plants.*
- *Belgian companies have innovated in polyurethane insulation panels giving them far superior insulation properties.*
- *A team of Belgian, Israeli and American scientists are currently working on producing artificial rainstorms.*

Belgian companies have researched superior light bulbs, capable of running off very little energy and they have also innovated indirect ways of saving energy.

Export Opportunities

One area that offers opportunity for foreign businesses in Belgium is the production of renewable energy.

- *Products and expertise related to the construction of wind parks are in high demand.*

'Green technology' and sustainable development have garnered increased attention across Europe in recent years.

Key Advantages

Belgium has a diverse economic base, advanced infrastructure and a central location within Europe, making it a competitive but accessible market for U.S. companies:

Test Market for Europe

- *Its size and manageability make the Netherlands an ideal test market for the EU.*

Quality Labor Force

- *Belgium is known for having a multi-lingual and solutions-minded labor force.*

Intelligent Tax System

- *Belgium's pro-business tax incentives make it one of the most attractive places to set-up a business.*

The Capital City of Brussels

- *Belgium's capital, Brussels, is home to the headquarters of the EU, NATO and hundreds of international institutions, associations and multinational corporations.*

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Learn more about how we can help your company find opportunities and partners in Belgium.

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