

THIS IS BUSINESS
THIS IS WALES





“Our main strength in Wales is that we have the capability of being very agile. There are centres of higher education that are very open-minded about collaborating with industry. The best example of that agility is the fact that the business can develop relationships with the Welsh Government. We can meet Ministers and develop a meaningful dialogue with them. That’s just not the case in other countries.”

Chris Meadows
Director of External Affairs, IQE

All across Wales, bright new ideas are being put into action; in offices and laboratories, factories and festivals, on land, sea and in the air. We’re driven by an innovative, entrepreneurial spirit; not just dreaming big, but making it happen.

For years Wales has welcomed businesses, helping them to thrive, grow and realise their potential. Companies that locate here have the advantage of easy access to the UK market.

An incredible landscape, from summit to shore, coupled with distinctive cultural and visitor experiences that let you experience the real Wales, the story of a modern bilingual nation shaped by our unique places and people. Whatever you choose to do here – to work, invest, visit or study – Wales is designed for life.



CREATIVITY IS AT THE
HEART OF OUR NATION



Language

A modern bilingual nation. Welsh, spoken by one in five. English spoken by everyone.



University

Wales' leading universities feature among the UK's top institutions and are internationally recognised for their research and development facilities.



Law

As a devolved Government we have the flexibility to ensure you succeed in Wales. Wales shares the same legal jurisdiction as England which provides stability, security and expertise.



An epic shore

Wales Coast Path – an 870-mile journey along our entire coastline from north to south Wales.



Location

Cardiff to London 2hrs by train. Flights from Cardiff to major European and Middle Eastern hubs enabling access to destinations around the globe.



Establishing a business

Wales is part of the UK, the world's fifth largest economy and is home to the largest financial centre in Europe. It takes just 13 days to establish a business in Wales.



People

A population of 3.1m with a skilled workforce of 1.4m.



Business

You probably experience Wales every day. The chip in your smartphone, the wings of your plane, that film/TV series you enjoyed, your car's engine. All Wales made.



Tax

Corporation Tax fell to 19% in 2017, the joint lowest in the G20. This will fall to 17% in 2020.



Airbus, Broughton

Cardiff Bay

G R O W T H

The vibrant capital city of Wales – Cardiff is one of the fastest growing cities in the UK. It is also just two hours on the train from London.

Strategic business decisions are complex. Support doesn't have to be. Experienced advisors will be on hand throughout your decision making process, connecting you to the wide networks of support and expertise that exist across Wales. Adding real, practical value to your decision-making process.

SUPPORT
COMES IN
MANY FORMS

Dedicated point of contact

A dedicated point of contact at Welsh Government supported by teams of experienced advisors located across Wales will provide you with the specific support and guidance needed throughout your decision-making process.

Access to key decision makers

A devolved government with its own distinctive economic policy. For those investing here this means quick access to key decision makers when it matters most.

Economy Futures Fund

A single, consolidated fund for business investment in Wales for projects that meet the objectives of the economic contract and at least one of the calls to action. Additional funding sources are also available for qualifying projects.

The bigger picture

Active business networks provide opportunities for you and your company to tap into important streams of economic, political and social knowledge and support, on issues such as infrastructure, building requirements and planning.

Talent, skills and training

The workforce in Wales is highly skilled and very loyal. Where new skills are called for, strong partnerships with academia and training providers help unlock future talent streams.

Research partnerships

Many of Wales' universities are at the leading edge of international research. These institutions have a long track record of working with businesses to help drive innovation in Wales.

Property

We can help source, specify and establish the right facility for your operation

Development Bank of Wales

For our businesses to thrive, they need finance. The Development Bank of Wales was set up by the Welsh Government to support the economy of Wales by making it easier for businesses to get the finance needed to start up, strengthen and grow.



The Senedd, Cardiff Bay



DECISION MAKING

Wales has its own devolved government and
a vision for growth and sustainable living.

What next?

We get things moving in Wales. You'll see for yourself, as soon as you get in touch. To contact us, please either call the number below or submit your enquiry via our website tradeandinvest.wales.

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Once we understand your requirements we will deliver a tailored proposal to meet your needs. You can reach us Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.30pm (GMT). If you want to get down to business straight away and come and see what Wales has to offer, we can arrange a visit within five days of you getting in touch.

Further information

Inward investment enquiries
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