Małopolska & Kraków



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Małopolska -

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Małopolska is a strong economic centre and - undoubtedly - a perfect place for business development. We can safely say that we are one of the most dynamically developing regions on the economic map of Poland and Central Europe. Our region is open to investments and creates a friendly atmosphere for entrepreneurs and implementation of innovations. This is evidenced by the annual increase in the number of new enterprises, including dynamically developing technology startups. Thanks to the enormous support for entrepreneurship, as well as the optimal use of EU funds and other public funds, Małopolska positively stands out from other voivodeships.

The new "Małopolska 2030" Voivodeship Development Strategy and the Regional Innovation Strategy are an asset for everyone expecting specific solutions and competent support from local government and business environment institutions. A unique investment climate of the region is created by an access to qualified staff and modern scientific and research infrastructure, economic security, a wide range of real estate and a high level of quality of life.

Małopolska strengthens its economic potential by creating conditions for the development of priority industries in the region, such as: IT and ICT, chemical, sustainable energy, biotechnology and life science, metal, electrotechnical, and creative industries sectors. Thanks to the dynamic progress of these specializations, we are building our competitive advantage both on the domestic and foreign market.

Ladies and Gentlemen, the strength of our region lies in its enormous economic potential, the development of entrepreneurship and modern technologies, as well as its infrastructure. All these factors make the region an attractive place for investment and business development, increasingly becoming home to Polish and international companies.

Come and see Małopolska!

Witold Kozłowski

Marshal of the Małopolska Region

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WHY MAŁOPOLSKA REGION?

...because:



We are one of the leading Polish regions in terms of economic potential and investment attractiveness.



We have good transport accessibility and location at the intersection of international transit routes.



We provide public support for investors, for instance through Polish Investment Zone and many business support institutions.



We are one of the most important BIO-Regions of Poland presenting a high potential for life science development and with welldeveloped medical facilities.



The capital of Małopolska – Kraków – is the best European city for investments of the BPO&SSC sector.



We provide modern infrastructure for personnel training and operation of companies in the ICT sector.



We have high potential for conducting research in energy technologies.



We create international partnerships for business support.



We have appropriate infrastructural equipment for creative industries.



We have very well-developed scientific and R&D base.



We have natural and geothermal resources.



We invest in human capital with a large number of graduates and a high percentage of people with higher education.



We have wide range of real estate.



We provide high quality of life and numerous tourist and cultural attractions.



In Małopolska you can find unique atmosphere, unique architecture and exceptional people.

We are developing to make Małopolska an attractive place to live, work and spend free time. We are a European region of knowledge and activity with strong universal values, consciously drawing on our heritage and regional tradition. We create an area that offers wide opportunities for the development of people and a modern economy based on innovation and sustainable development.

We are in the centre of Europe





Małopolska is located in the south-eastern part of Poland, at the crossroads of important communication routes.

15 183 km²

million inhabitants, which represents

of the Polish population - 4th place in the country.

Large market

people live within a

radius from Kraków Airport, representing over

of the population of Poland.

Kraków – the capital of Małopolska - the

2nd largest city in Poland.

The Małopolska Region is formed by

communes.

Euroregions that exist in the voivodeship: Euroregion Tatry, Euroregion Beskidy and Euroregion Carpathians.

Our communication

Kraków Airport - the regional airport - the 2nd largest airport in Poland which **handles** over 8 million of passengers per year.

Kraków Airport provides connections to the majority of major cities in Western and Central and Eastern Europe. The capacity of the cargo hall - nearly 35 tons per day.

> Katowice Airport located at the distance of 100 km from Kraków.

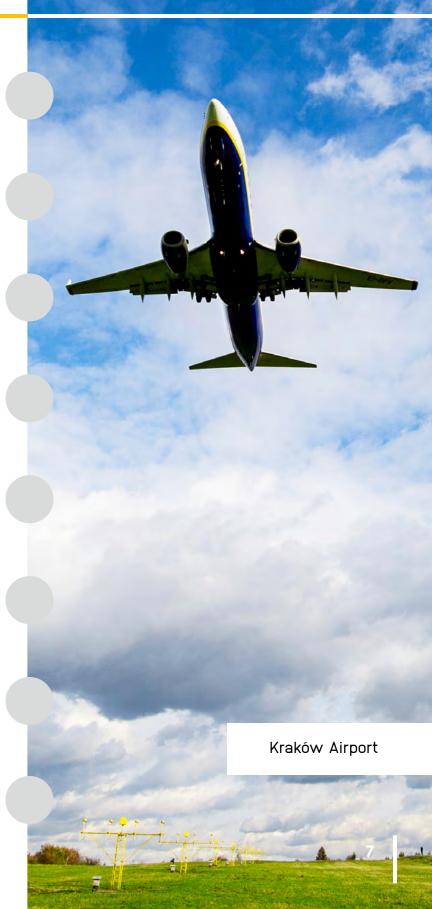
A4 motorway connecting Germany and Ukraine (Dresden - Legnica - Wrocław - Opole - Gliwice - Katowice - Kraków - Tarnów -Rzeszów – Przemyśl – border crossing: Korczowa) - part of the international road E40.

North - south (national road No. 7 that connects the Kraków agglomeration with the Tricity, Warsaw and Kielce agglomerations) - part of the international road E77.

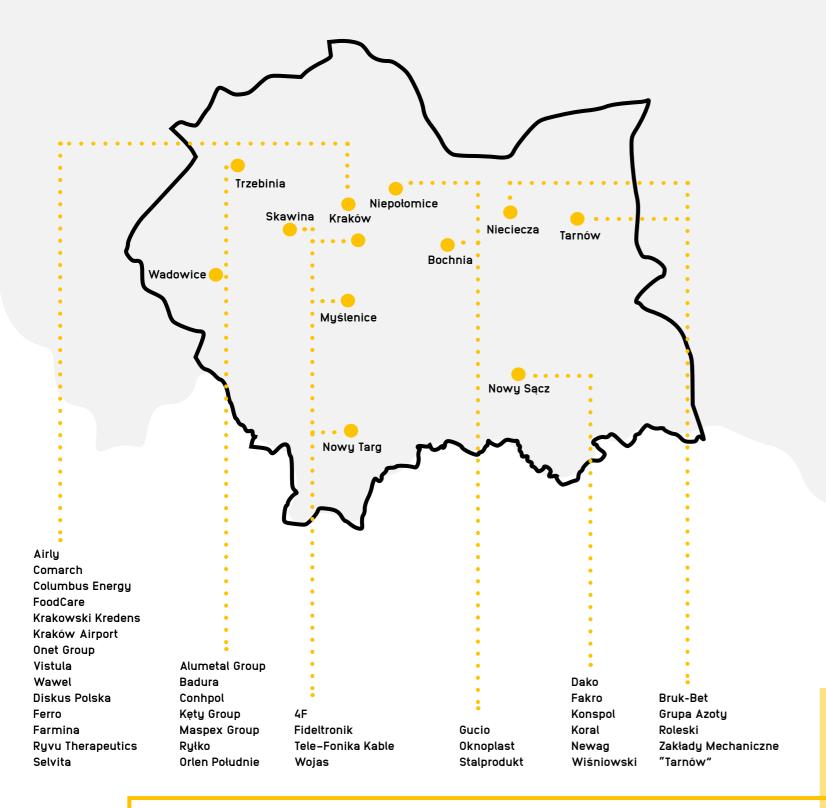
> National roads in the region: 967.6 km.

Voivodeship roads in the region: 1 374.2 km.

We provide direct rail connections with all major cities in Poland, as well as with Vienna, Prague, Berlin, Dresden, Frankfurt am Main, Bucharest, Bratislava, Kiev, Lviv, Odessa, and Budapest.



REGIONAL BRANDS:



Business activity

- Małopolska is one of the leading Polish regions in terms of economic development. The region's GDP is 8,1% of national GDP. The region is ranked 4th among Polish regions in terms of contribution to the national GDP.
- 1.5 million professionally active people.
- Over 437 000 business entities operating in Małopolska – the 4th place in Poland - including nearly 4 000 exporting companies.
- The most important export products of Małopolska come from the following sectors: electromechanical, automotive and chemical.
- Małopolska's major trading partners: Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Italy, France and the United Kingdom.

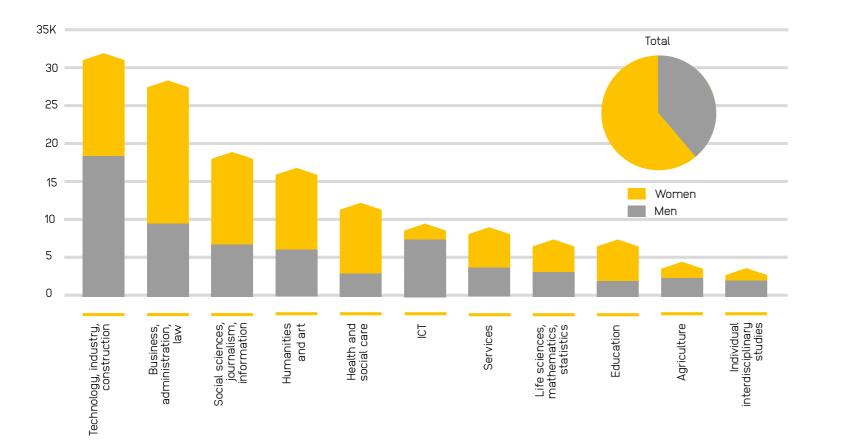
- The average monthly gross salary in the enterprises sector - nearly PLN 6 000.
- Strong position of Małopolska in the economy of the country.
- Corporate income tax CIT 19%.
- Małopolska in the forefront of the regions dominated by business and entrepreneurship support services.
- The export of goods and services from Małopolska reaches over EUR 10 billion – 6th position in Poland.



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Students by major in the academic year 2019/2020



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- a Including foreign students
- **b** According to the International Standard Classification of Education ISCED-F 2013

- Małopolska has a high potential for scientific research and higher education
 Kraków is the second largest R&D centre in Poland.
- 27 higher education institutions, including the Jagiellonian University (the oldest university in Poland, founded in 1364), Cracow University of Economics, AGH University of Science and Technology, Cracow University of Technology and Pedagogical University of Cracow.
- Nearly **147 000 students** and **36 500 graduates**.
- Financial outlays on R&D rank the region as the 1st in the country.
- **45 innovation and entrepreneurship support centres** 5th place in the country.

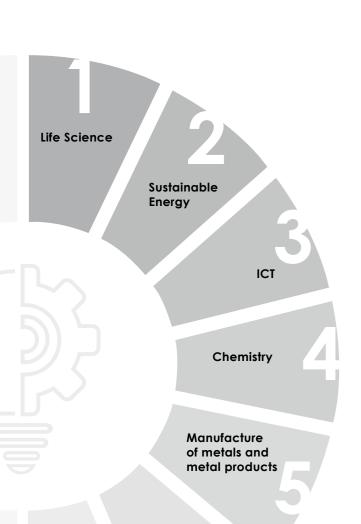


Number of students and graduates of universities in Małopolska

Business, administration, law	28 777		7 756
Social sciences and journalism	18 846		4 527
Engineering and technical studies	15 932		5 520
Medical studies	10 671		3 432
Information and communication technologies	9 824		2 350
Philological studies	8 579		1 985
Architecture and construction	8 020		2 799
Pedagogical studies	7 076		2 206
Mathematics and statistics, biology, physics	6 971		1 948
Manufacturing and processing	6 345		3 029
	Students	Graduates	

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Małopolska Smart Specializations



Electrical and Mechanical Engineering

- They set strategic directions for the development of the region.
- They use the region's unique resources, connecting various industries with each other.
- They have the largest share in generating GDP in the region and provide the most workplaces.
- They allow businesses to access additional sources of finance.
- Any economic entity newly established or existing on the market for a long time - can enter the area of smart specialization.
- We accumulate funds allocated to research and innovation within the scope of specialization.



Life science

The LifeScience Cluster, MedCluster and the Jagiellonian Center of Innovation among the business environment institutions that direct their offer to the players representing the life sciences sector.



Biotechnological companies – Selvita, Teva Operations Poland, Ryvu Therapeutics, BioCentrum, Bielenda Natural Cosmetics, Farmina, Pharmaceutical Laboratory COEL, Amara, LuxMed, Inovamed.



Medical Technology Transfer Center
Technology Park Ltd. (CTTMPT) was created
in Małopolska in order to commercialize the
results of scientific and research works
carried out in scientific institutions and
research and development units, as well
as to support innovation and cooperation
with industry, especially in the medical and
pharmaceutical industries.



The Center of Biotechnology in Małopolska coordinates cooperation between science and business as well as research in the areas of biotechnology, food safety, nutrigenomics, and other related fields.



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research centres in Małopolska associated with life sciences.

15 448

entities operating in the industry.



Creative & leisure

industry

Sustainable energy

449 entities operating in the field of balanced energy, of which over 59% are located in Kraków.

Department of Sustainable Energy
Development of the AGH University of
Science and Technology and the Mineral
and Energy Economy Research Institute of
the Polish Academy of Sciences – leading
research centres in the sector.

Business environment institutions offering support to the entities operating in the sector include the Information Technology in Construction BIMklaster Cluster,

South Poland Cleantech Cluster, Waste Management and Recycling Cluster.

The Małopolska Region offers **financial** support from European funds.



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Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)

- Nearly 14 185 entities operating in the information technology and communication sector, 10101 including multimedia, including Epam System, Motorola Solutions, Itekna, Dream Lab.
 - 3 national higher education institutions conducting research related to the ICT sector – AGH University of Science and Technology, Cracow University of Technology and Jagiellonian University.
 - 38 business environment institutions offering their services to the entities operating in the ICT industry, including for example: Kraków Technology Park Ltd., Academic Computer Centre CYFRONET AGH, Cluster IoT — Internet of Things.
 - Kraków was listed as one of the most attractive cities in the world and ranked first among European agglomerations for investments in the BPO&SSC sector TOP 100 Outsourcing Destinations Ranking.
 - In the Tholons Global Innovation Index 2021 ranking, Kraków strengthened its position in the TOP 100 Super Cities, being ranked 20th.

- Thanks to the high qualifications of employees and relatively competitive salaries, Kraków gives foreign companies a huge potential to quickly expand IT
- The largest conference in this part
 of Europe devoted to the video game
 industry, Digital Dragons, is organized
 in Kraków and is visited by nearly 2 000
 people every year.
- The business service centers operating in Małopolska – ComArch, Cisco, Google, Shell, Capgemini, UBS, HSBC, Saber, Luxoft, Electrolux, Philip Morris International, Hitachi Data Systems, IBM BTO, State Street, Lufthansa Global Business Services and Delphi.

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Chemistry



The chemical industry is an important economy branch in Małopolska – over 2 300 entities operating in the chemical industry.



14 research units associated with chemistry, for example Cracow University of Technology, Jagiellonian University, University of Agriculture, AGH University of Science and Technology, as well as the Oil and Gas Institute.



Among the business environment institutions offering services directly for the entities involved in the field of chemistry, we may list the Tarnów Industrial Cluster and the Polish Association of the Oil and Gas Industry Engineers and Technicians, Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry Polish Academy of Sciences.



The largest regional chemistry industry companies:
Grupa Azoty, Synthos, Krakchemia, Chemical Company Alventa,
Trzebinia Refinery and Novatek Polska.

2 300 14

entities operating in the chemical industry. research units associated with chemistry.



Manufacturing of metals and metal products

The industry has a major impact on the export of Małopolska – precious metals, common metals as well as their products belong to the most important export commodities.

The share of export of Małopolska in the sector of common metals and their products is 18,1%.

Over 2 300 business entities operating in the industry, including: Alumetal S.A., Tele-Fonika Kable S.A., Grupa Kety S.A., Stalprodukt S.A., Grupa Polska Stal S.A. and ArcelorMittal Poland S.A.

Scientific and research centres associated with the production of metals and metal products and the manufacture of non-metallic mineral products, including Polish Foundrymen's Association, INNOAGH, INTECH PK, AGH University of Science and Technology and Cracow University of Technology.

17 business environment institutions operating in the industry, including for example the Foundry Research Institute in Kraków, Łukasiewicz - Cracow Technological Institute.

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research centres related to the production of metals and metal products.

environment institutions operating in the industry.

Electrical and mechanical engineering



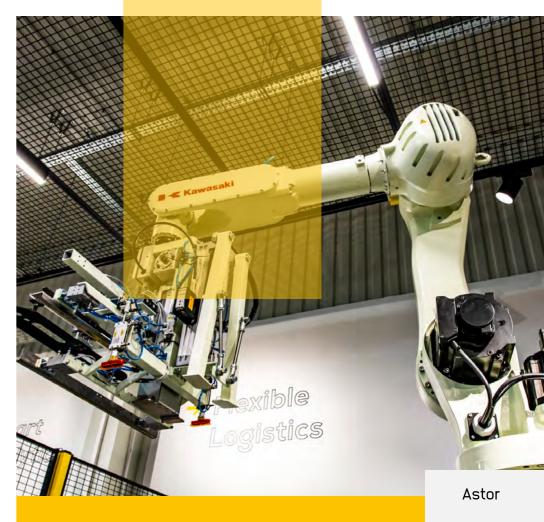
The products of that industry remain the pillars of the Małopolska export.

4 684 business entities operating in the sector.

research and scientific centres offering their services for the entrepreneurs operating in the industry among others - Cracow University of Technology, AGH University of Science and Technology, University of Agriculture, Mineral and Energy Economy Research Institute of the Polish Academy of Sciences and Zakłady Mechaniczne "Tarnów" S.A.

The share of the Małopolska export in the

sector amounts to 4,7%



Creative and leisure industry



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- Małopolska has a huge potential in terms of cultural heritage resources, which make the region unique and attractive, making it a special place on the cultural map of the country.
- 14 monuments in Małopolska are inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.
- Kraków European Capital of Culture and the UNESCO's City of Literature.
- Kraków by night Night of Scientists, Night of Museums, Jazz Night, Poetry Night, Music Night.
- Kraków city of festivals Conrad Festival, Jewish Culture Festival, Film Music Festival.
- Film Kraków Kraków Film Festival one of the most important film events in Europe, OffCamera, Silent Film Festival.
- Kraków a creative city numerous exhibitions and art galleries, including MOCAK, Cricoteka, and The Małopolska Garden of Art.

- 54 507 business entities operating within the creative industry and leisure industry.
- 24 research and scientific units associated with the sector.
- 315 patents and 91 protection rights were granted for utility models created in Małopolska - the 5th place in Poland.
- 27 business environment institutions providing support for entrepreneurs operating in the industry Cracow Film Cluster, Cracow Gastronomic Cluster.
- 10th place for Kraków in the ranking of global tourist destinations whose popularity is growing (Trending Destinations), published by the global travel website TripAdvisor.
- The Małopolska Centre for Creativity and Design and the Forum Foundation serve for building the innovation ecosystem in Małopolska using design tools. They are also responsible for promoting culture as a catalyst of creativity, as well as coordinate all initiatives aimed at developing the design sector as an effective tool for innovation.

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Investment attractiveness

- · For years, Małopolska has placed itself on the top of the national rankings evaluating the investment attractiveness of a given area.
- · Direct foreign investments implemented in the region in the years 1989-2016 exceeded USD 23.2 billion. In 2017. foreign investment reached the value of USD 1,343.3 million.
- · Kraków ranks 20th in the prestigious Tholons Services Globalization City Index 2021 for the most attractive city in the world for international business services.
- · Małopolska is a unique region in Poland in terms of the diversity of mineral deposits, which include: crude oil, natural gas, sulfur, gypsum, zinc, lead, sandstones, limestones, hard coal, rock salt, mineral and geothermal waters.
- · The favorable location of Małopolska makes it a region with great warehouse potential. There are 17 warehouse parks in Kraków and its vicinity. The total warehouse space in Małopolska is 560,000 m².

- Kraków ranks 2nd in the Forbes ranking in the "Business-Friendly City" category.
- Kraków is ranked 2nd after Warsaw the capital of Poland - as the largest office market in the country - the total area of modern office space in Kraków reaches 1.5 million m².
 - In 2020, Kraków once again was recognized as one of the most technologically advanced "cities of the future". The international ranking "Top 25 Tech Cities of the Future 2020/2021" was prepared by the prestigious fDi Magazine.
 - · 70 investment offers in the Business in Małopolska Centre database
 - · Every year, the number of new entrepreneurs in the voivodeship grows by around 10,000. Among them, we can find dynamically developing technology start-ups. Global corporations have invested in Małopolska, e.g. Google, Cisco, Motorola, Shell, Rolls Royce, Philip Morris, Lufthansa, Delphi, R.R. Donnelley, Coca-Cola, Heineken, MAN Trucks.



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Polish Investment Zone

Economic activity zones

The Polish Investment Zone (PIZ) is

a government support program that allows companies undertaking new investments to obtain tax exemptions. Kraków Technology Park is the operator of the PIZ program in the Lesser Poland Voivodeship and the Jędrzejowski Poviat (Świętokrzyskie Voivodeship). Aid can be obtained regardless of the form of business activity, the size of the company, and the country of origin of the capital. Eligible entrepreneurs are the ones who want to:

- create a new plant
- increase the production capacity of their plant
- introduce new products
- change the production process

see more: www.kpt.krakow.pl/en/



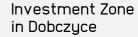
The benefits of investing in The Economic Activity Zones:

- well-prepared investment sites with complete and modern infrastructure making it possible to start
- a business according to the relevant development plan
- separated parcels of land with the area optimized for the purpose of construction of industrial plants
- support of local councils in the implementation of investments (appointed careers, investor support teams)
- state aid in the form of exemption from property tax

Interactive map of investment areas in Małopolska: www.businessinmalopolska.pl/en/









High quality of life

Małopolska is one of the most interesting regions in Poland which offers a wide range of cultural and tourist attractions.

Kraków is one of the famous historical cities, visited annually by over 14 M visitors, and this number is growing every year.

Małopolska is the region with the largest number of monuments in Poland, the birthplace of Polish culture and cherished traditions.

The cultural life of the region takes place among many ancient monasteries, churches, museums, manor complexes, palaces, gardens, towns with characteristic buildings and monuments of folk art.

More than a half of the Małopolska area has been recognised as nature protection area – 6 national parks, 11 landscape parks, 10 protected landscape areas and 86 nature reserves. Two areas – Babia Góra and Tatra National Park – are UNESCO biosphere reserves – these are unique places in the world, with unique natural beauty.

14 historical sites of Małopolska have been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Małopolska is also a mountainous region: Tatra Mountains with the capital in Zakopane, Gorce Mountains, Beskidy Mountains and limestone mountain range of Pieniny with their main tourist attraction – rafting on the Dunajec River

Business in Małopolska Centre

In order to harmonize the activities in the field of economic promotion and standardization of services for investors and support for enterprises in Małopolska in export in 2009, the **Business in Małopolska Centre** has been established.

Partner institutions operating within the scope of this unique in the country initiative: the Małopolska Region, Małopolska Agency of Regional Development and Kraków Technology Park Ltd. carry out the tasks aimed at attracting new foreign investment and supporting the expansion of Małopolska enterprises to foreign markets.

The most important tasks of Business in Małopolska Centre include:

- maintaining database of investment offers in Małopolska
- development of investment offers,
- enabling contact between Małopolska and foreign companies

- development and distribution of information on the region's economy
- international promotion of the economic potential of Małopolska
- territorial marketing
- cooperation with local government units, business support institutions and the scientific, sector for the economic development of Małopolska
- promotion of innovative investments

Business in Małopolska Centre also prepares current analyses of regional labour market, real estate market, BPO and modern technologies sector, as well as research and development industry. The Centre is the regional partner of Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency, using international network of institutional contacts and business partners.



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