



INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES (BELGIUM)

The key sectors of the national economy are: food, biotechnology, transport and logistics, automotive, IT and communications, aerospace.

The sectors that represent great investment opportunities are: There is significant growth in the services sector. The country has switched from heavy production to light production and is producing finished products instead of steel, textiles and raw materials. Belgium imports basic or intermediate goods, adds value to them through advanced production and then exports the finished products. With the exception of the remaining coal resources, Belgium has no significant natural resources. The renewable energy sector is developing taking into account the objectives set by the European Union, but remains underdeveloped.

The sectors prohibited or with few opportunities for foreign investment are: Lottery, post (Bpost, which is not officially a monopoly but is protected against private actors, as pointed out by the European Commission).

Incentives for investors: Investment incentives and grants are the responsibility of the three administrative regions of Belgium. However, incentive programmes at all levels of government are limited by European regulations and are normally kept in line with those of other EU Member States.