

The Netherlands are the most attractive country for SME's.

Among the OECD countries, the Netherlands are the most attractive production location.

This is one of the findings of a study commissioned by BDO Accountants & Adviseurs and carried out by HWWI (Hamburgisches Welt Wirtschafts Institute).

The reasons for the top position of the Netherlands in this sector, are its central location in Europe, its prime fiscal regulations and its stable macroeconomic environment.

For the fifth consecutive year, the BDO International Business Compass (IBC), has checked the overall business climate for SME's. In this ranking of 174 countries, the Netherlands are number three, after Hong Kong and Singapore. The assessment relied on data from 2014 on the economic, political and socio- cultural situation.

Not only its popularity as production location contributes to the Netherlands ending up high on the list. From the BDO study appears also that the innovation environment is increasingly important in the choice a of business location. Thanks to a favorable tax environment, infrastructure and highly trained staff, the Netherlands score high in this area. This is also reflected in the trade in intellectual property. Related to the gross national product, the Netherlands earns 3.37% with this, making it a global leader.

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