Logistics Industry

Accelerate Your Business in Europe's Logistics Hub

Located at Europe's center, Germany is the continent's largest economy and most important logistics hub, offering world-class infrastructure and cutting-edge logistics services.

The location provides companies with opportunities for convenient Europe-wide distribution and easy access to the EU’s 500 million consumers. Find out how Germany can accelerate your business and connect you with European markets - both West and East.

Logistics Sectors Boom During Coronavirus Crisis
A resurgent Chinese economy, the coronavirus pandemic, alternative logistics routes and e-commerce have led to a domestic and international boom in the logistics industry.

Logistics in Germany Rises to Covid-19
The slowdown of the global economy and the disruption of supply chains is causing economic challenges unthinkable a short time ago. Germany’s logistics sector shows its flexibility.

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Germany to Invest Record 86 Billion Euros in Rail Modernization

Germany’s rail system will be looking very different in future. The German government and rail company Deutsche Bahn have committed to invest €86 billion in tracks, trains, switching stations, etc ... over the next ten years. Big chance for companies, as Germany is more open than many other countries to foreign involvement in its rail network.
Video: Logistics in Germany

With its outstanding infrastructure Germany is a world leader in logistics. The World Bank has ranked Germany the #1 in logistics three times in a row. Germany is the geographic center of the EU, has Europe's largest logistics market by far and its most advanced transportation infrastructure offering easy access to the more than 500 million consumers in Europe.
The World Bank Logistics Performance Index 2018

Germany is the Global Logistics Leader!

Ranked #1 three times in a row in World Bank’s Logistics Performance Index (LPI of 2014, 2016, 2018) of 160 countries. Check out!

Our Industry in Numbers

- Germany ranked #1 three times in a row by World Bank’s bi-annual Logistics Performance Index (LPI) rating of 160 countries.
- With almost EUR 280bn revenue in 2018, Germany is Europe’s #1 logistics giant, its revenue greater than Europe’s 2nd & 3rd largest logistics markets, France & UK combined.
- Europe’s No.1 economy & 4th largest worldwide, annually generating over EUR 3.4 trillion of goods and services.
- Germany is the world’s 3rd largest exporting nation and 3rd biggest importer of goods.
- Germany is a global leader in logistics innovation, technology and services with over 3 million industry employees in ca. 60,000 companies.
- Germany is the #1 Intralogistics exporter with EUR 16.8bn, followed by China & the Italy with EUR 13.9bn and EUR 6.3bn respectively.
- Home to global logistics leaders, such as Deutsche Post World Net (Nº 1), DHL, DB Schenker and Dachser.

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Germany’s central position in the EU makes it an ideal location for logistics hubs and distribution centers in Europe. Serving over 82 million Germans, 150 million consumers in its 9 neighboring countries, and nearly 500 million EU residents, Germany is your direct link to western and eastern European markets.

Germany is a global leader in logistics higher education: our universities produce highly skilled graduates who are ready to work for you.

Over 100 universities and universities of applied science foster advanced logistics knowledge and make us the world’s leader in developing new and innovative technologies and bringing them to the market.

"Thanks to superb accessibility, infrastructure, and services, Germany is the benchmark for European-wide distribution."

Marc Rohr | Director Digital & Service Industries

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Our government provides companies with generous support for employment and R&D in addition to industry-specific incentive programs.

We offer an extensive and comprehensive logistics infrastructure that integrates state-of-the-art transportation networks with the most modern telematics, IT, and telecommunications systems.

Social, economic, and political stability provide a solid base for your corporate projects. Our judiciary and civil services are highly professional. Contractual agreements are secure, and intellectual property is strictly protected in Germany.

Related Links

- LAG - Logistics Alliance Germany
- ADV - German Airports Association (in German only)
- AMÖ - Federation of European Movers Associations (in German only)
- BDB - Federal Association of German Inland Navigation (in German only)
- BDF - German Airline Association
- BGL - German Federal Association for Road Haulage, Logistics and Disposal (in German only)
- BIEK - German Express Association (in German only)
- BME - German Association of Materials Management, Purchasing and Logistic
- BvDP - Federal Association of German Postal Service Providers (in German only)
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- BVL - German Logistics Association
- BMVI - German Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs
- BWVL - Federal Association of Transport and Logistics in Industry and Trade (in German only)
- BÖB - Federation of German Inland Ports (in German only)
- German Association for Freight Forwarding and Logistics (in German, with English search function)
- German Transport Forum
- IBS - Community of Interest of Railway Forwarding Agents
- UTV - Association for Commercial Tank Storage (in German only)
- VDB - German Railway Industry Association
- VDKL - German Cold Storage and Logistics Association (in German only)
- VDR - Central Association of German Shipowners (in German only)
- VDV - Association of German Transport Undertakings
- ZDS - Federal Association of German Seaport Operators (in German only)

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