



# THE FORESTRY AND LUMBER INDUSTRY

in the Capital Region Berlin-Brandenburg

**THE GERMAN CAPITAL REGION**  
more value for your investment

## Wood as a raw material – forests create growth

Brandenburg is one of the most densely forested states in Germany. Its more than one million hectares of forest are dominated by pines, which are the main tree species in more than 70 percent of the state's forested area. According to an analysis by Germany's National Forest Inventory, these pine trees are steadily growing in trunk diameter, which has increased the proportion of high-quality sawtimber. Although wood use has risen steadily in recent years, Brandenburg's forests offer a wealth of untapped potential.

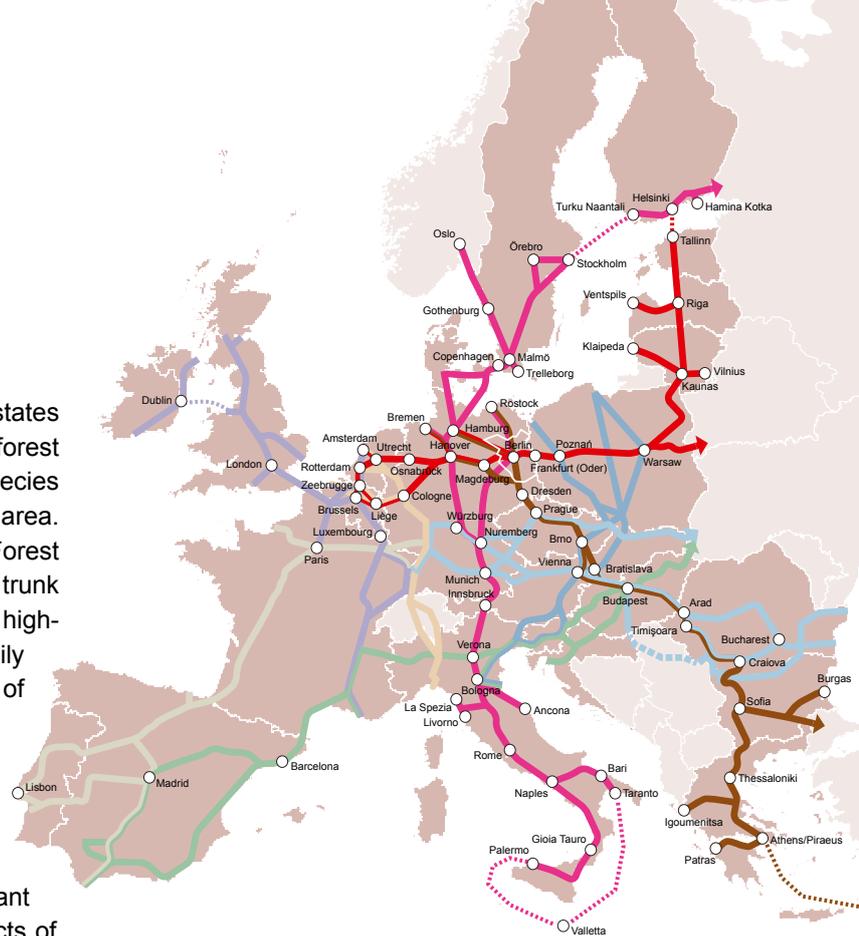
Forest conversion measures are engaged in adding hardwood species to the pine forests on a long-term basis. Future use options need to be developed for beech and oak. Brandenburg has also a significant supply of strong hardwood. To help mitigate the effects of climate change and create value for as long as possible, the intentions to use wood primarily as a sustainable renewable material. Sixty percent of the state's forests are privately owned. Landesbetrieb Forst Brandenburg, the state forestry operation, manages the state-owned forests, which make up one-quarter of the forested area, and is the first point of contact for companies that require wood.

### Traditional strength in the lumber industry

Brandenburg's forestry and wood sector employs 33,000 people. Businesses along the entire value chain, from logging to timber transportation and the lumber trade and all the way to the first- and second-stage processing, are all represented in Brandenburg. High-performance sawmills, innovative companies in the wood material industry and a large number of dynamic, growth-oriented craft businesses are all emblematic of the Brandenburg wood industry.

A complex center of expertise on all things relating to wood and lumber in Baruth is an excellent example of how effective and sustainable wood processing can be designed to be, with benefits for all of the businesses based in a given location. The local sawmill, fiberboard manufacturer, laminate producer and biomass power plant function in a symbiotic relationship to their mutual benefit. Laminated flooring from Baruth, Heiligengrabe and Pritzwalk is in demand all over the world.

Products from wood processing plants in Brandenburg are found in homes, community facilities, stores and office space. They are used for various things, including to equip railway vehicles, as creative toys, as seating and bridges and in playgrounds and parks throughout Europe.



Berlin-Brandenburg – at the intersection of the most important European transport axes

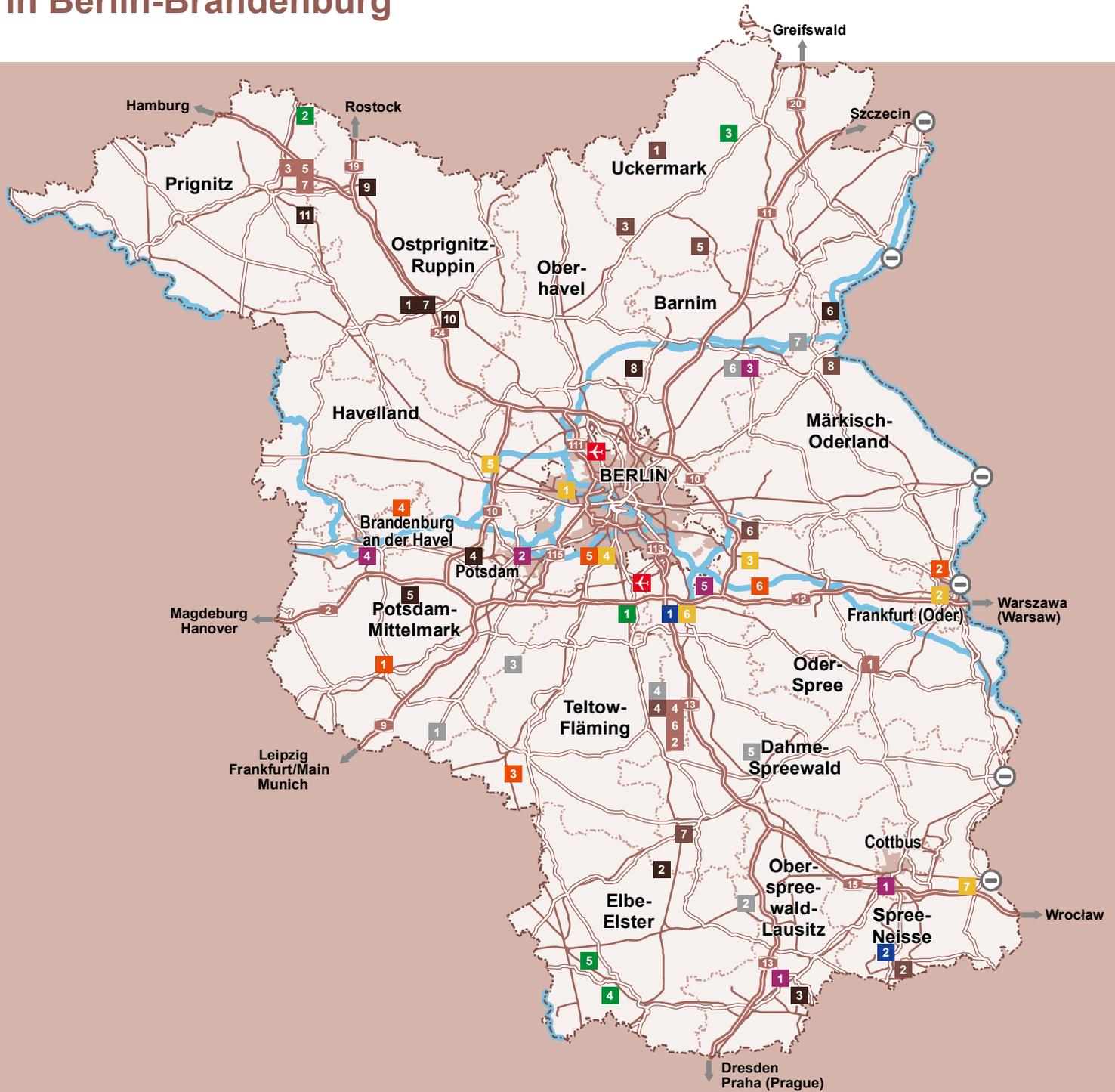
Construction lumber from Brandenburg is highly prized, especially in the wood construction segment. From simple garden sheds to intricate roof structures for sports and commercial facilities, the wood processors in Brandenburg are reliable partners for builders. In terms of construction law, Brandenburg has also enacted a new building code, paving the way for increased use of wood in the construction sector.

The German capital region is a vibrant growth market. Rising demand for residential and commercial space is met through new construction, but also – and most especially – through intelligent renovation and modernization measures. There are various possibilities for using construction and other materials made from Brandenburg wood here, all with efficient transportation and processing channels.

### Factors that count

The combination of ongoing economic and business development, an excellent infrastructure, favorable costs, and the availability of both raw materials and skilled workers is what makes Brandenburg an especially attractive investment site. Prices for commercial space with high-quality infrastructure are considerably below the nationwide average. The region is also distinguished by its moderate trade tax and property tax. An outstandingly developed network of roads, waterways, and railways puts suppliers and customers along the value chain within easy reach.

# The wood industry in Berlin-Brandenburg



# The network for your success – selected partners

## Sawmills

- 1 Erhard Bohm, Sägewerk Bohm, Boitzenburger Land · [www.kiefernbohm.de](http://www.kiefernbohm.de)
- 2 Gebrüder Noack Sägewerk und Holzhandlung, Spremberg · [www.holznoack.de](http://www.holznoack.de)
- 3 Holzindustrie Templin GmbH, Templin [www.hitemplin.de](http://www.hitemplin.de)
- 4 Klenk Holz AG Werk, Baruth/Mark [www.klenk.de](http://www.klenk.de)
- 5 ROBETA HOLZ OHG, Milmsersdorf [www.robeta.de](http://www.robeta.de)
- 6 Sägewerk Melzer, Rüdersdorf [www.saegewerk-melzer.de](http://www.saegewerk-melzer.de)
- 7 Sägewerk Niedergesäß, Heideblick [www.holznieder.de](http://www.holznieder.de)
- 8 Sägewerk Wensch, Bad Freienwalde [www.wensch.de](http://www.wensch.de)

## Wood products industry

- 1 BHW Beeskow Holzwerkstoffe GmbH, Beeskow · [www.glunz.de](http://www.glunz.de)
- 2 Classen Industries GmbH, Baruth/Mark [www.classen.de](http://www.classen.de)
- 3 FALQUON GmbH, Falkenhagen/Pritzwalk · [www.falquon.de](http://www.falquon.de)
- 4 Fiberboard GmbH, Baruth/Mark [www.fiberboard.de](http://www.fiberboard.de)
- 5 Furnierwerk Prignitz GmbH & Co. KG, Pritzwalk · [www.furnierwerk-prignitz.de](http://www.furnierwerk-prignitz.de)
- 6 Pfeleiderer AG, Baruth/Mark [www.pfeleiderer.com](http://www.pfeleiderer.com)
- 7 Swiss Krono Group, Heiligengrabe [www.swisskrono.com/de](http://www.swisskrono.com/de)

## Wood construction/prefabricated timber construction

- 1 Andersson Haus und Dach GmbH, Werder bei Neuruppin [www.andersson-dach.de](http://www.andersson-dach.de)
- 2 Bartel Holzverpackung-Holzverarbeitung GmbH, Heideblick · [www.bartel-gmbh.de](http://www.bartel-gmbh.de)
- 3 Großkoschener Holzblockhäuser, Großkoschen [www.grosskoschener-holzblockhaeuser.de](http://www.grosskoschener-holzblockhaeuser.de)
- 4 Haacke & Haacke GmbH & Co. Werk Potsdam, Werder (Havel) [www.haacke-haus.de](http://www.haacke-haus.de)
- 5 Holzindustrie Nahmitz GmbH, Nahmitz [www.havel-haus.de](http://www.havel-haus.de)
- 6 Holzverarbeitungsbetrieb Lunow GmbH (HVB), Lunow-Stolzenhagen [www.hvb-lunow.de](http://www.hvb-lunow.de)
- 7 Holzwerke Bullinger GmbH & Co. KG, Werder b. Neuruppin · [www.bullinger.de](http://www.bullinger.de)

- 8 Karibu Holztechnik GmbH, Klosterfelde · [www.karibu.de](http://www.karibu.de)
- 9 Mohrmann Bau GmbH, Wittstock/Dosse [www.mohrmann-holzbau.de](http://www.mohrmann-holzbau.de)
- 10 Opitz Holzbau GmbH & Co. KG, Neuruppin · [www.opitz-holzbau.de](http://www.opitz-holzbau.de)
- 11 Parlitz & Co. Holzverarbeitungs GmbH (PaHo), Heidelberg (Prignitz) [www.parlitz.de](http://www.parlitz.de)

## Forestry contracting firms

- 1 Birk-Holz GmbH & Co KG, Treuenbrietzen · [www.birk-holz.de](http://www.birk-holz.de)
- 2 DONNER Landschaftsbau GmbH, Bronkow · [www.donner-gmbh.de](http://www.donner-gmbh.de)
- 3 Fachini Forst GmbH, Nuthe-Urstromtal [www.eichenfreund.de](http://www.eichenfreund.de)
- 4 Forstservice Volz GmbH, Zossen [www.holz-voltz.de](http://www.holz-voltz.de)
- 5 FHS – Siegfried Volgger, Lübben [www.fhs-holzernte.de](http://www.fhs-holzernte.de)
- 6 BHS Brandenburger Holzservice GmbH, Eberswalde [www.brandenburger-holzservice.de](http://www.brandenburger-holzservice.de)
- 7 Umwelt engineering GmbH, Oderberg [www.umwelt-engineering.com](http://www.umwelt-engineering.com)

## Playground equipment

- 1 AQUA Holzbau GmbH & Co. KG, Wiesenburg/Mark [www.quappen-holzbau.de](http://www.quappen-holzbau.de)
- 2 Modellbau Stein GmbH, Frankfurt (Oder) [www.stein-modellbau.de](http://www.stein-modellbau.de)
- 3 SIK Holzgestaltung GmbH, Langenlipsdorf · [www.sik-holz.de](http://www.sik-holz.de)
- 4 Spiel-Bau GmbH, Brandenburg a. d. H. [www.spiel-bau.de](http://www.spiel-bau.de)
- 5 ulrich paulig & Co. merry go round™ OHG, Teltow · [www.merrygoround.berlin](http://www.merrygoround.berlin)
- 6 ZIMMER.OBST GmbH, Spreenhagen [www.zimmerobst.de](http://www.zimmerobst.de)

## Furniture

- 1 DASSBACH KÜCHEN Werksverkauf GmbH & Co. KG, Blankenfelde-Mahlow [www.dassbach-kuechen.de](http://www.dassbach-kuechen.de)
- 2 Meyenburger Möbel GmbH, Meyenburg [www.meyenburger-moebel.de](http://www.meyenburger-moebel.de)
- 3 Möbelwerke Prenzlau GmbH, Prenzlau [www.moebelwerke-prenzlau.de](http://www.moebelwerke-prenzlau.de)
- 4 REISS Büromöbel GmbH, Bad Liebenwerda [www.reiss-bueromoebel.de](http://www.reiss-bueromoebel.de)
- 5 Schiffler-Möbel GmbH, Wahrenbrück [www.schiffler-moebel.de](http://www.schiffler-moebel.de)

## Miscellaneous

- 1 Müller-Zeiner Industrieverpackungen GmbH, Mittenwalde [www.mueller-zeiner.de](http://www.mueller-zeiner.de)
- 2 Sprela GmbH, Spremberg · [www.sprela.de](http://www.sprela.de)

## Freight villages

- 1 BEHALA, Berlin · [www.behala.de](http://www.behala.de)
- 2 ETTC, Frankfurt (Oder) · [www.ettc.de](http://www.ettc.de)
- 3 Güterverkehrszentrum Berlin Ost, Freienbrink · [www.gvz-berlin.de](http://www.gvz-berlin.de)
- 4 Güterverkehrszentrum Berlin Süd, Großbeeren · [www.gvz-berlin.de](http://www.gvz-berlin.de)
- 5 Güterverkehrszentrum Berlin West, Wustermark/Brieselang [www.gvz-berlin.de](http://www.gvz-berlin.de)
- 6 Güterverkehrszentrum Schönefelder Kreuz, Königs Wusterhausen [www.hafenkw.de](http://www.hafenkw.de)
- 7 Logistik- und Industriezentrum Lausitz, Forst · [www.forst-lausitz.de](http://www.forst-lausitz.de)

## Universities of applied sciences/ other universities

- 1 Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg (BTU) · [www.b-tu.de](http://www.b-tu.de)
- 2 Potsdam University of Applied Sciences [www.fh-potsdam.de](http://www.fh-potsdam.de)
- 3 Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development · [www.hnee.de](http://www.hnee.de)
- 4 Brandenburg University of Applied Sciences [www.th-brandenburg.de](http://www.th-brandenburg.de)
- 5 Technical University of Applied Sciences Wildau · [www.th-wildau.de](http://www.th-wildau.de)

## Forestry institutions

- Landesbetrieb Forst Brandenburg [www.forst.brandenburg.de](http://www.forst.brandenburg.de)
- Ministry of Rural Development, Environment and Agriculture of the Federal State of Brandenburg [www.mlul.brandenburg.de](http://www.mlul.brandenburg.de)

## Network

- Fachverband Tischler Brandenburg [www.tischlerhandwerk-brandenburg.de](http://www.tischlerhandwerk-brandenburg.de)
- INNOHOLZ – Innovationsnetzwerk Holzlogistik Berlin-Brandenburg [www.innoholz.org](http://www.innoholz.org)
- Landesinnungsverband des Zimmerer- und Holzbaugewerbes für Brandenburg [www.kh-brb.de](http://www.kh-brb.de)



## Lasting market success

The wood industry in the Berlin-Brandenburg capital region has successfully seized export opportunities and tapped into new markets in recent years. Because the area serves as an economic bridge to Central and Eastern Europe, companies based here have a wide range of opportunities. Growing demand for full-service offerings in the wood construction sector and the global trend toward energy-conserving construction were also long ago identified as having bright prospects in terms of both sales and development in the German capital region.

Innovations in the areas of both products and processing receive support from the capital region in the area in a variety of ways. Carports with solar roofs, thermally modified wood and passive houses are all produced in Brandenburg.

## Berlin-Brandenburg as a hub of innovation

The German capital region stands for expertise, flexibility and creativity. Businesses here benefit from the area's vast potential for innovation and the fact that it features Germany's densest research and development landscape. Home to 55 higher education institutions with more than 221,000 students in all and 21 institutes affiliated with the Leibniz Association, seven Fraunhofer Institutes and eight institutes affiliated with the Max Planck Society, the German capital region boasts the highest density of research in Germany, making it a top location in Europe as well. Global players, small and medium-sized businesses and startups all benefit equally from the close cooperation with well-known scientific, research and higher education institutions and effective technology transfer that exist in the region.

Many research segments are represented here, including wood technology, wood design, materials research, production, process and manufacturing engineering, mechanical engineering, mechatronics and digitization of production and business processes.

Eberswalde University for Sustainable Development is an industry-specific partner for German and international research projects involving the business sector, especially through its Faculty of Forest and Environment and Faculty of Wood Science and Technology. The university is also a site of training for future specialists.

The consulting and advising options offered by the state of Brandenburg mean that companies in this sector have access to targeted, individual support.

## Capable, motivated specialists

There are currently about 3,700 specialists working in the nearly 50 businesses in Brandenburg's wood industry that have more than 20 employees. Within the wider sector, a large number of smaller, innovative craft businesses such as cabinetmaking and carpentry shops and furniture makers have also become established. Rising demand for wood has led to extensive development of lumber harvest structures with strong forestry contracting firms and stable forest enterprise associations.

Strategic efforts have been made to safeguard and cultivate skilled workers, so the capital region will remain home to qualified employees in the relevant areas of the wood industry now and into the future.

Brandenburg Invest (WFBB), the Brandenburg economic development board, and a committed, dedicated network of regional supporters help businesses to recruit and train workers. Junior talent also receives training and continuing education right in the local area as part of training measures instituted by public and private bodies.

## Ten benefits for your investment

- Major centers of wood expertise in the region, combined with capacity in the sawmill and wood products industry
- Many potential business opportunities along the entire value chain from sawmill to final product
- Commercial and industrial space to suit any needs
- Excellent traffic, transportation and telecommunications infrastructure
- Close proximity to growth markets in Central and Eastern Europe
- Qualified, motivated skilled workers
- Direct, fast availability of raw materials
- Qualified support and advice for investments, innovations and efforts to recruit and retain skilled workers
- Densest research sector in Germany, including industry-related higher education institutions in the local area
- Attractive, tailored funding opportunities

# Capital Region Berlin-Brandenburg

## Location benefits, facts, services



Quadriga in front of the Reichstag

### Investments pay off here

Berlin-Brandenburg offers excellent and customized funding programs for innovations, investments and specialist qualifications. The funding programs are run by the EU, the German federal government and the states of Berlin and Brandenburg.



Sanssouci Palace in Potsdam

### High quality of life

The region combines the international flair of the Berlin metropolis with the fascinating nature and historical sights of Brandenburg in a unique way. A singular club scene, renowned large events, more than 170 museums, 150 theaters as well as some 500 castles, churches and parks are available to visitors. Sporting and leisure activities such as golf, horseback riding, water sports and flying have no limits. The cost of living is considerably more affordable here than in other metropolitan regions.



Excellent leisure opportunities in the region

### Entrepreneurial engagement made easy

The Brandenburg Invest (WFBB) and Berlin Partner for Business and Technology provide comprehensive support in establishing your business: competently, quickly, confidentially, free of charge and without red tape.

- Location: Facts and figures about the Berlin-Brandenburg economic region
- Personnel: Support in the recruiting and qualification of new employees
- Real estate: Help looking for properties for rent and purchase
- Financing: Advice on promotional opportunities and financing methods
- Contacts to: Public authorities, banks, chambers of commerce, associations, company networks

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