

The Greater
Rotterdam - The Hague area,
the Hotspot for your
Biobased Business

7 Reasons

Why the
Dutch are
building the
**Biobased
Industry of
the future**



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explore!

Be part of the **biobased industry of the future!**

The Greater Rotterdam - The Hague area is *the* place to be for companies that want to produce value-added clean products, fuels and energy, based on circular and biobased resources. The region is dedicated to building a futureproof industry that proactively contributes to a sustainable society and a strong economy. Today's largest biofuel cluster in Europe is fully investing in storage and use of CO₂, green and blue hydrogen, and circular and biobased industrial developments. Want to grow your biobased business and reduce your footprint? Our biobased ecosystem is your oyster!

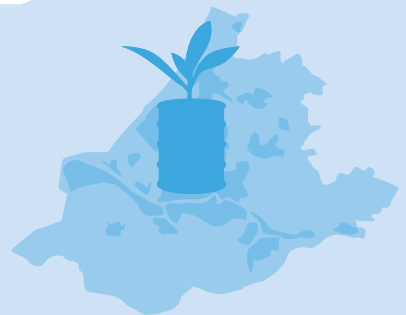
UNIQUE ABOUT OUR REGION

- Opportunities to **scale your business in all phases of growth:** from lab to pilot to commercial operation
- **Over 150 years of expertise** in industrial biotech, with a leading hub in Delft
- **Biggest producer of biobased fuels** in Europe at the port of Rotterdam

7 REASONS WHY

1 ACCESS TO BIOBASED FEEDSTOCK

- Port of Rotterdam is a global hub, importing large amounts of agribulk (10 mln ton/yr), vegetable oils (8 mln ton/yr) and lignocellulosic biomass (0,9 mln ton/yr)
- Local, cost-competitive feedstock is readily available: sugar beets, agri/horticulture residues and waste oils



2 ACCESS TO MARKETS

This region offers:

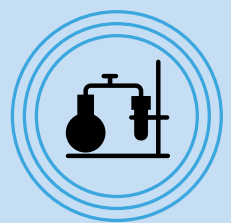
- **10 global leaders of the biobased industry**
e.g. Royal DSM, Cargill, Corbion, Dupont, Alco Energy and Neste
- **5 large scale crude oil refineries**
e.g. Shell, BP and Exxon Mobil
- **150 chemical companies**
(400 in The Netherlands)
- **Pipeline connections to airports**
(e.g. Schiphol), Germany and Belgium, to transport your product in a most efficient way
- **Greenport West Holland**, with a strong demand for circular products for horticulture companies

3 ACCESS TO HIGHLY SKILLED TALENT

- Large skilled workforce in the region of 668,000 people
- Skilled talent in a.o. engineering, industrial processing, biochemistry, bioscience and agri/horticulture
- 3 world renowned Universities
- Nearly 50,000 graduates per year in biobased-related studies
- Dutch graduates are the 3rd highest performers in the world (OECD)
- The Dutch have 2nd highest English proficiency in the world

4 ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY & PILOTING

- TU Delft is a globally recognized top university leading in industrial biotechnology and chemical and mechanical engineering.
- Ample collaboration opportunities with many education and research institutes
- Biotechnology innovation hotspot in Delft, with over 150 years of experience to support startups and SME's at Yes!Delft and Planet B.io
- Scale up to demo or pilot scale at Bioprocess Pilot Facility, Biotech Campus Delft, The Green Village and Plant One Rotterdam



5 ACCESS TO INDUSTRIAL SITES

- Scale up from demo to commercial size, e.g. in the Port of Rotterdam
- Industrial locations available for variable production scales
- Co-siting options possible, creating efficiency and reduced investment costs
- Easy access to utilities: large industrial hydrogen, electricity, natural gas, heat, steam and CO₂ network available
- Excellent logistics connections over sea, river, rail and road as hub for international import/export

6 ACCESS TO MONEY & NETWORK

- Public funding opportunities in the Netherlands (InvestNL, NWO, DEI, SDE++) and in Europe (Green Deal, Horizon2025)
- Introducing your business to our strong network of private financiers including Venture Capital funds and banks
- Business Development and financial engineering support from InnovationQuarter to scale your business
- Attractive fiscal climate: 5th most competitive country in the world
- Close ties to regional and national governmental services
- Strong biobased knowledge network e.g. Biobased Delta, TNO, TKI Biobased economy

7 FRONTRUNNER IN SUSTAINABILITY

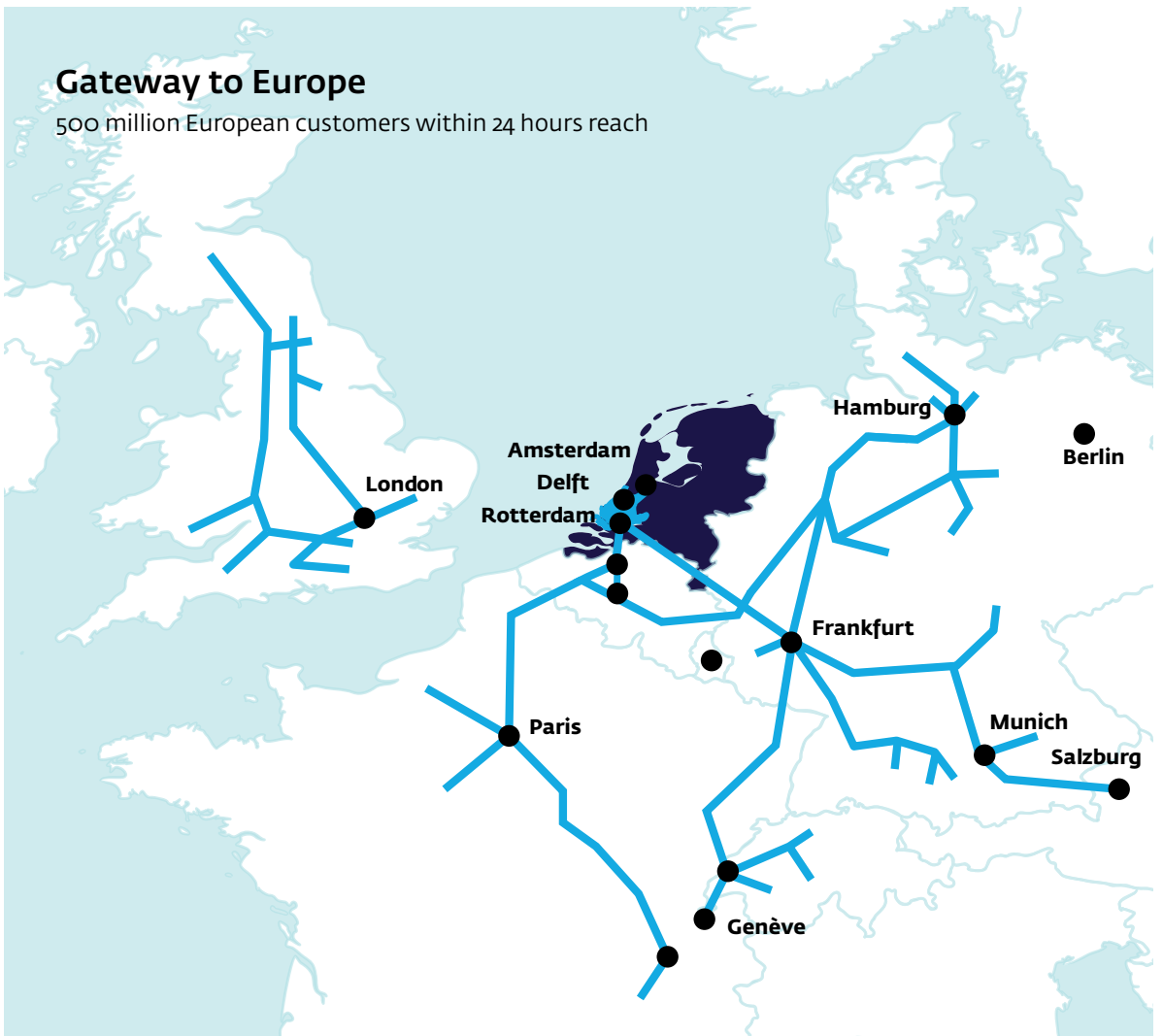
- Regional plan of action to become #1 hub for sustainable and circular industry (electrification, hydrogen, CCU, biobased resources and waste valorization)
- Supported by Dutch climate agreement to reach 95% CO₂-reduction in 2050
- Driven by RED II: the Renewable Energy Directive for the EU to achieve its 32% renewables target by 2030



Be part of the industry of the future. Be part of the Greater Rotterdam - The Hague area.

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THE GREATER ROTTERDAM - THE HAGUE AREA OFFERS YOU

- A strategic location in the heart of Europe
- State-of-the-art business, research and incubation facilities
- Highly educated and multilingual workforce
- Excellent quality of life
- A competitive Dutch tax climate
- Advantageous tax incentives for R&D activities
- A dedicated foreign investment team, offering confidential, free of charge services to international companies.

We are ready to introduce you to the many interesting partners in this region.
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