



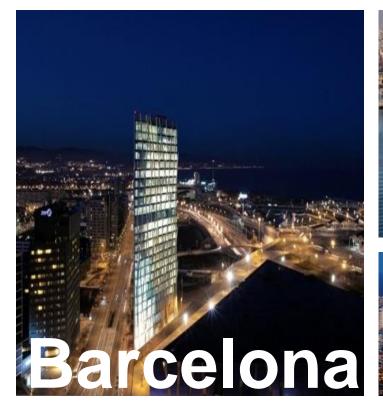
#### **World Cities**

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# Introduction of the City of Barcelona (ES)

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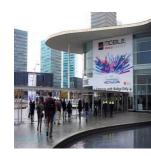












## The Mediterranean Business Hub





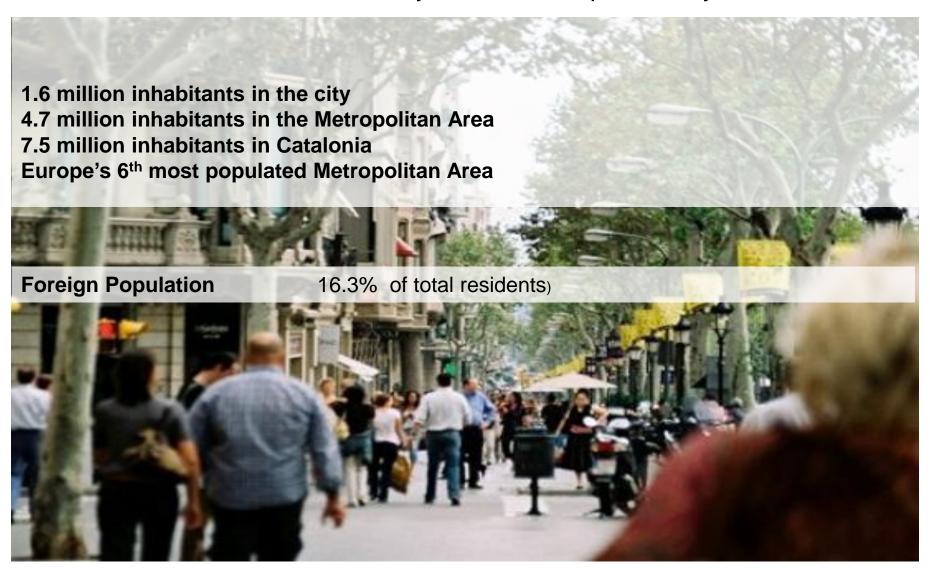






# People and land

Administrative city versus metropolitan city





## Barcelona, Capital of Catalonia

#### Southern Europe's Economic Powerhouse



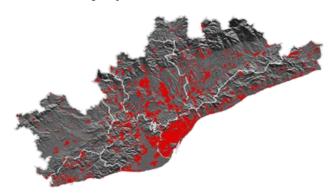


16% of Spanish Population
20% of Spanish GDP
25% of Spanish Exports
18,5% of Spanish companies
(mainly SMEs)
22% of the total foreign investment received by Spain in 2015

7.5 Million inhabitants





















#### Barcelona is well connected to the world

#### **Best transport & logistics infrastructures in Southern Europe**



- 44.1 million passengers in 2016
- 138 destinations served by 95 airlines
- Winner of the Best European Airport Award in 2014
- Europe's 7<sup>th</sup> busiest airport
- Direct connection by subway to the airport terminals
- Only 12 km away from the city

- 1st port in Spain in turnover volume and value of goods. It manages 23% of Spain's foreign trade
- Connected with 850 ports in the world, and 450 regular consolidated sea lines,
- 2.7 million cruise passengers in 2016 (1st European Cruise port)
- · Enlargement plan under way: doubling the capacity
- BEST cutting-edge automated container terminal becoming Southern Europe's main gateway for Asian container trade



- Barcelona is a strategic hub for North-South and East-West European corridors
- With an extensive highway network (more than 12,000 Km) connected to Europe & the Maghreb
- High-speed train connection to Paris, Lyon, Marseille, Toulouse, Madrid, Zaragoza & Seville
- •Only port in the Iberian peninsula connected to the European gauge rail network



# Springboard to access Euromediterranean, Asian & Latin American markets



- → Reduction of 3 days navigation
- → Less fuel consumption
- → Reduce number of vessels
- → Reduce CO2 emissions
- → North Africa growth (Maghreb and Middle East)
- → Privileged relationship with South America
- → Improved services and infrastructure of Southern European ports





Only Iberian port connected to the European gauge rail network



Connected by highway (100 miles) to Spain's busiest freight & passenger cross-border pass to France



Spain's 1<sup>st</sup> Port in turnover, connected to 424 ports and with a brand new automated container terminal



## **Diversified Economic Structure**















72 Billion Euros GDP

40,100 Euros GDP per capita

**Services:** business services, higher education, health and medical services, media, retail & wholesale commerce, logistics and transport, hospitality and touristic services.

**Industry:** automotive, pharmaceutical & chemical, textile & footwear, food processing, electric materials and equipment, printing & publishing and waste treatment clusters.

Barcelona → 1 million workers

53% working in knowledge intensive sectors

Employees by economic sector in the city of Barcelona\*

- o 89% in Services
- 7,8% in Industry
- o 3,1% in Construction

\*Data of 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2016, source: Catalan Ministry of Enterprise & Employment and the National Institute of Social Security

















## A pole of attraction for foreign companies

#### **COMPANIES ESTABLISHED IN CATALONIA**

Country of origin	Companies established in Catalonia
Germany	811
France	785
USA	715
Netherlands	671
Italy	564
UK	447
Luxembourg	387
Switzerland	334
Denmark	261
Belgium	145
Japan	140
Portugal	137
Sweden	95
Others	962
TOTAL	6454

## Around 6500 foreign companies are located in Catalonia

(46% of the total foreign companies located in Spain





Catalonia is home to...

92% of the US companies 88% of the Danish companies 85% of the Canadian companies 80% of the Japanese companies 72% of the Italian companies 69% of the Hong Kong companies 61% of the French companies

... of those operating in Spain

Source: Invest in Catalonia - ACCIÓ 2014 – Includes companies with 50% or more of foreign capital



# **Emerging Economic Sectors**

IT, Mobile, Media, Design, Fashion, Biotech, Electric Mobility, Tourism, Logistics













#### Barcelona provides top notch convention & trade fair venues





# Ajuntament de Barcelona Smart City and Urban Laboratory

Improved city management and testing innovative pilot projects













Barcelona a major Southern European Science & Research hub and a city with a clear public-private commitment on Technology

Alba Synchrotron iomedical Research Park Catalan Institute of Photonic Sciences **National Supercomputing** Center **Best World** Scientific **Production** 

15% of Spanish **Patent Applications** 

1,6% **GDP** In R&D **Expenditure** 

10th

City in

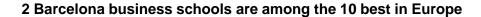


# Barcelona, A city with highly skilled human capital and international schools





219.000 students at the 9 universities of the Barcelona Metropolitan Region 44% of the Catalan population has a University Degree













7<sup>th</sup> in Europe

ESADE Business School Law School

8th in Europe

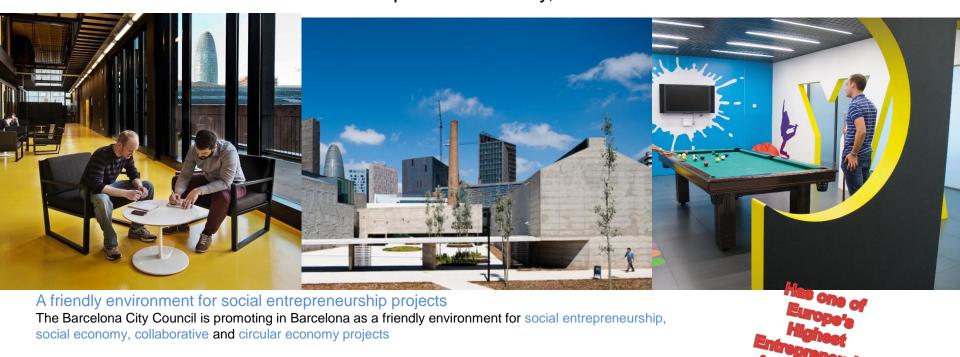
There are 40 international schools in Barcelona and its metropolitan area





## Barcelona, an enterprising city

167.500 businesses operate in the city, 95% of the microbusinesses & SME



Barcelona's digital start ups are a magnet for local and international investors

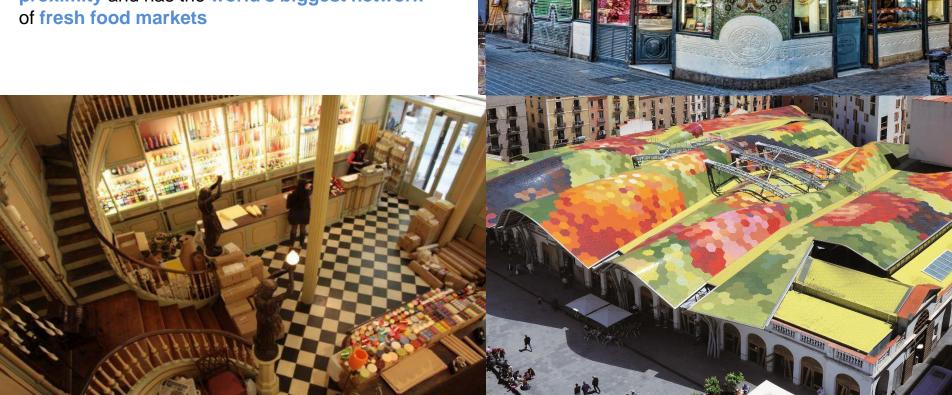




### **Barcelona**, Europe's 2<sup>nd</sup> shopping capital

A city with **35,000 shops**, with a model that promotes **social cohesion** and **dynamism** in the city's **73 neighbourhoods** 

Barcelona has many 200 years old shops, is committed to a retail model based on proximity and has the world's biggest network of fresh food markets





### The superblocks

Superblocks are urban areas with over concepts and demographic and territorial objectives are based on sustainable mobility, the revitalization of public spaces, promoting biodiversity and urban green spaces, social cohesion, energy self-sufficiency and involvement.

New human speed districts implemented in the next four years in five areas.



Towards a zero emission mobility Revitalize public space Promote biodiversity and green urban Improve the complexity of social cohesion in urban areas Self-sufficient urban metabolism





A NEW
PARADIGM OF
CITIES





