

SERBIA AT A GLANCE



Form of Government: Parliamentary Republic

Capital: Belgrade

Currency:

Serbian Dinar RSD

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Territory: 88,499 km²

Population: 7 million

GDP (2019): €45.9 bn

GDP pc (2019): €6.593

*Source: Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia.

Exchange rate (as of 31-12-2019):

EUR/RSD: 117.5928

USD/RSD: 104.9186

EU integration:

Serbia formally started negotiations to join EU on 21st January 2014

Opened 18 Chapters out of 35 and 2 closed

Credit ratings:

Fitch Ratings: BB+/stable

Moody's: Ba3/positive

S&P: BB+/stable

WB classification by Income level:

Serbia is Upper Middle Income Country



OPTIMAL GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION



On the main road corridors between Western and Central Europe and Turkey Connected by the Danube River with Central European countries at the west and with the Black Sea at the east

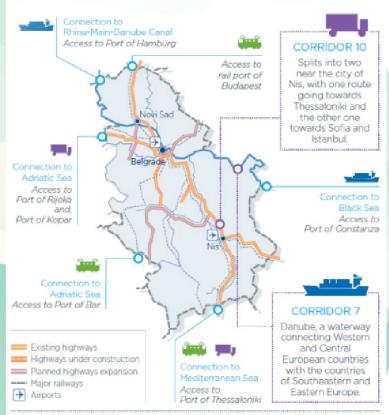
The lowest transportation costs

Large investments in infrastructure:

- Length of highways was almost doubled during the last decade
- Numerous highway projects are under implementation

Building new railroads and reconstruction of the existing ones are one of the main priorities of the Government

Two cargo international airports in the cities of Belgrade and Nis



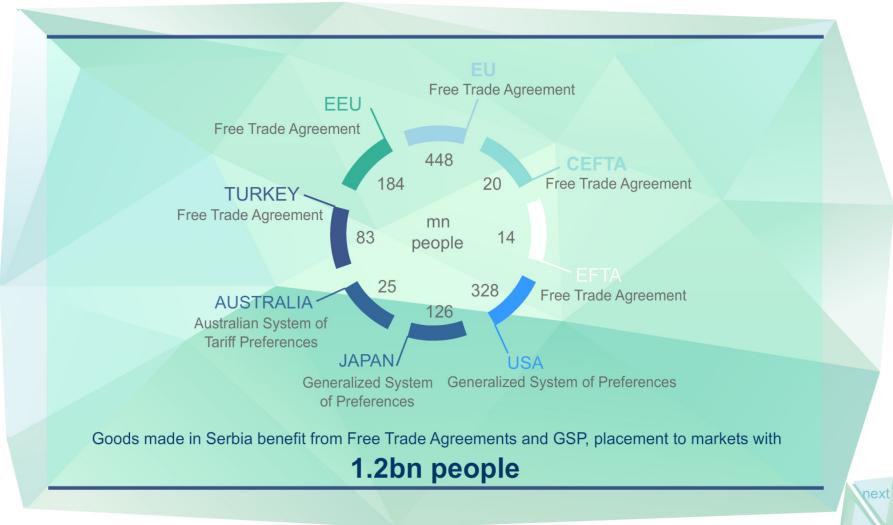
Source: Ministry of Construction, Transportation and Infrastructure



FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS



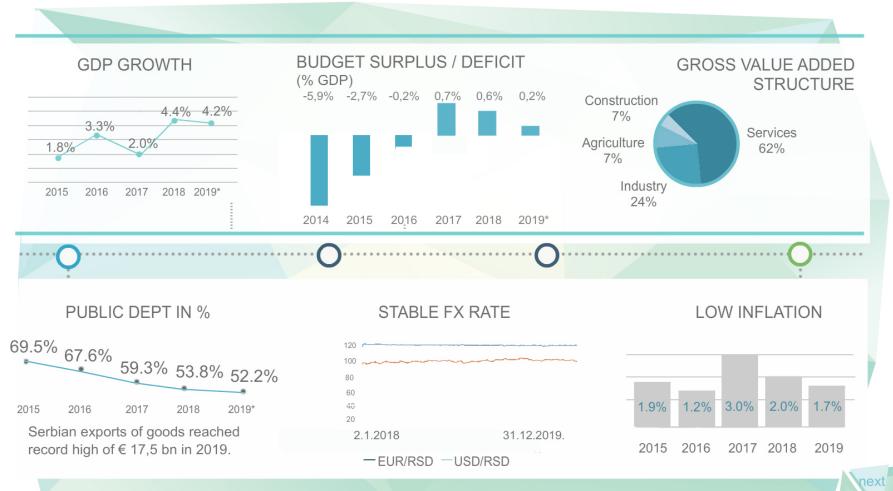
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FAVOURABLE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT



Functional infrastructure:

- transport
- energy
- telecommunications

Low operating costs:

- The lowest cost of electricity and postal services in the region
- Strongly motivated workforce
- Competitive tax policy

Average Gross1 Monthly Salary 2019 (EUR)



Average Net Salary €464

Total cost for employer (Gross 2) €750

World Bank: Doing Business 2019



IBM Global Locations Trend 2017 and 2018: World leader by the number of new jobs created.

Financial Times: The first out of 94 countries in the world by the greenfield FDI performance Index.



HIGHLY QUALIFIED WORKFORCE



Top quality technical education at both high school and university level

Unemployment in %



Highly educated young workforce with around 50,000 university and college graduates, and 75,000 high school graduates every year

University of Belgrade is ranked as one of Top 500 Universities and the best ranked in the region
"Shanghai List"

Dual education

 High proficiency level of English language, in 2018,

"Education First" list

- Serbia is ranked as 18th among 88 countries in the world

60.04 Serbia

59.51 Hungary

58.11 Slovakia

58.49 Greece

57.95 Bulgaria

Beside English young graduates speak other languages, primarily German, French, Italian and Russian



FREE ZONES, INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES



- Total value of exchanged goods and services within the zones reached €4.6bn in 2018 in 15 FZ
- over 200 companies and 35.000 employees
- No customs and import duties for goods required for business operations
- VAT exemptions for energy consumption, entry of goods or selling of goods and services within zones
- Import and export of goods and services without any quantitative restrictions

FZ Pirot has been ranked twice on the list of the best free zones in the world ("Financial Times" 2017 and 2018)



MAIN SECTORS FOR POTENTIAL COOPERATION



AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY



AGRICULTURE AND FOOD INDUSTRY



METAL AND ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY



ICT



REAL ESTATE SECTOR



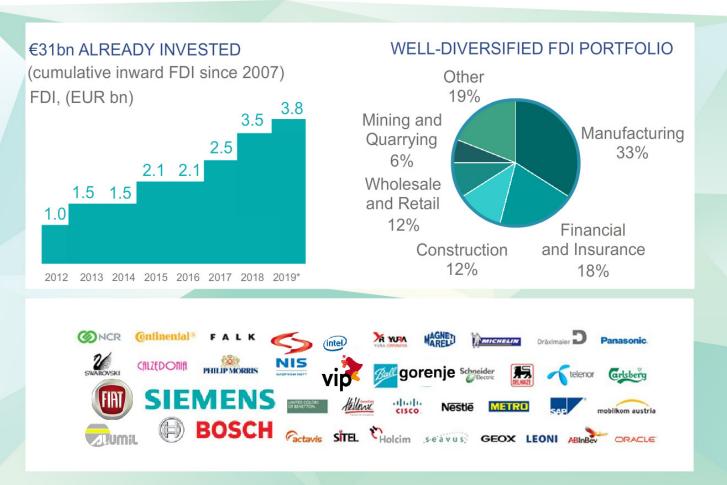
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ENCOURAGING INVESTMENT REGIME



Funds awarded depend on:

- level of development of municipality
- size of the company
- up to 7,000 EUR per job created
- amount of funds invested

Local government incentives

- reduction or exemption of payment of certain local fees or charges
- benefits for construction or lease of neccesary facilities for investment
- benefits for conecting to local infrastructure

Tax incentives

- Available Corporate Tax holiday for 10 years for certain investments
- Treaties on avoiding double taxation with 59 states
- Tax statement losses may be transferred to the account of the profit declared in the tax statement in future accounting periods (for up to 5 years)
- Partial compensation of taxes and social contributions payed on salaries for employing unempolyed persons

Corporate Tax

Serbia 15% Croatia 18% Slovenia 19% Czech Republic 19% Poland 19% Slovakia 21%

VAT

Serbia 20% Slovakia 20% Czech Republic 21% Slovenia 22% Poland 23% Croatia 25%



NUMEROUS SUCCESSFUL STORIES











































Origin of investments





CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY OF SERBIA



Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia is the right place for investors to acquire necessary information and get assistance in order to successfully implement their investment projects Good communication and cooperation with all relevant state institutions and local governments

There are 17 regional chambers of commerce on the local level

International offices:

- Vienna, Austria
- Frankfurt, Germany
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- Brussels, Belgium
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