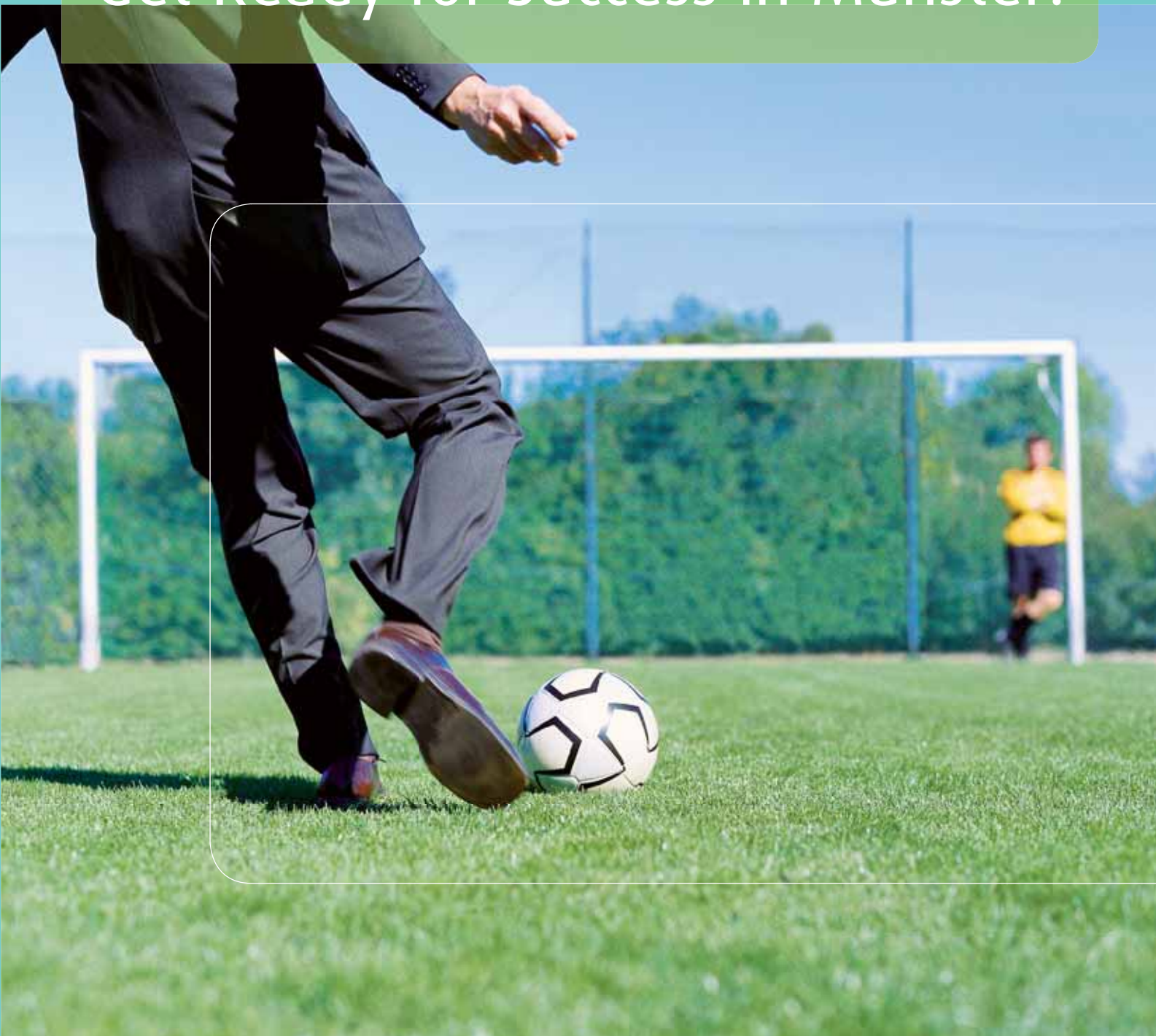




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Get Ready for Success in Münster!





How can we help?

Münster is known as an attractive business location. To further enhance this attraction is the declared goal of Wirtschaftsförderung Münster GmbH, or WFM.

With dedication, creativity and major expertise is how we support entrepreneurs, no matter their industry - and regardless of whether you intend to expand your site here, want to relocate entirely to Münster, or wish to start up your own business here with a totally new idea.

We look forward to welcoming you!



Looking for an independent advisor who knows your industry inside out, has excellent contacts in Münster and will get things moving for you at no charge?

Our advisors here at WFM are specialised by industry and are at your disposal with their knowledge and dense network of experts.

Not only when it comes to matters of real estate and location, but also for all company-related issues and problems, your WFM advisor is your first stop.

Want to expand and need staff?

Your advisor knows where to find additional staff – fast, and reliably - or can name suitable partners who offer appropriate qualification measures.

Want to become self-employed, or have been in the market for some time and are experiencing difficulties?

Your advisor knows where to go for financial support, for expert advice on growth or on overcoming crisis, and for co-operation partners.

Wishing to settle in Münster and seeking ideal commercial property for your company?

Your advisor knows the real estate market and the structure of your industry in Münster very well and is happy to assist you in finding the right premises.

Want to build in Münster?

Your advisor will guide you through the authorities and co-ordinate the entire approval process for you.

These comprehensive services are readily and reliably available at WFM – all from a single source. In precise terms: Your advisor is by your side until all your questions have been answered, or your problems have been solved. Make the most of this offer to ensure your corporate success.

You are probably thinking: Easy for you to make promises all day!

And sure enough, our working days here at WFM are long. But we keep our promises: for example, the high quality standard in consultancy or in handling requests and approval procedures. You can rely on your call being returned within 24 hours, or a personal appointment being arranged within one week. Your personal advisor will quickly clarify what he can clarify himself. For complex problems, he will organise a round table involving all the competencies needed to deal with your issues as quickly as possible.

We think corporate and know that certain problems do not keep to office hours. This is why we have set up a dedicated hotline where you can reach us from the early morning hours to late in the evening, free of charge. Call +49 800 – 481 481 0 Mondays through to Thursdays from 8 am to 6 pm, and on Fridays until 3.30 pm. We are naturally also available outside regular working hours by appointment. And www.wfm-muenster.de is available around the clock for you to retrieve data and facts about the location of Münster, co-operation partners and your real estate wishes.

Is there anything else we can do to help? Talk to us – we look forward to hearing from you!





Looking for a location that promises success for your company?

Münster provides ideal conditions for healthy economic growth: its own Internet node, industrial estates with charm, one of the largest universities in Germany and a perfectly-appointed transportation infrastructure.



Want to move quickly from A to B?

The quickest way to Münster is via www.muenster.de. But even other transport routes are highly convenient. The direct link to the A1 and A3 motorways and the railway intersection for IC/EC/ICE takes you to Osnabrück, Dortmund and the northern Ruhr area in 30 minutes. Münster/Osnabrück International Airport (FMO) is only a 25-minute drive from the city's north. The airport links Münster not only with many important business centres and holiday destinations, it also provides sufficient cargo capacities. And finally, there is Münster's waterway, the Dortmund-Ems Canal, which is currently under construction along its entire length, to cater for large powered cargo vessels and push tows.

No matter if you surf, fly, drive, travel by train or cycle to Münster – we look forward to welcoming you!

You value an excellent corporate address?

For every industry and for any demand, Münster offers interesting areas for establishing your business. For example, to the city's north, situated conveniently between university and motorway, the Technologiepark provides ideal conditions for technology-oriented companies. Under the motto "Working in the Park", freelancers, service companies and industrial undertakings have an excellent address at the Münster-Loddenheide industrial estate located to the south-east – well-appointed for traffic connections, and a mere 3 km away from the city. And finally, there are two interesting sites in the planning stage: the south-west industrial estate with direct access to the motorways; and the „AirportPark“, the inter-communal industrial estate situated directly before the gates of Münster, at Münster/Osnabrück International Airport.

You are very demanding towards yourself, your employees and your surroundings?

You can expect a lot from Münster, such as the NDIX, the Dutch-German Internet Exchange. An Internet node on the doorstep ensures that companies operating in information & communication technologies can transfer major volumes of data fast and efficiently. NDIX and the very dense fibre optic network secure locational economies for the I&C industry in Münster, creating an important impulse for the labour market toward the future.

Münster's benefits also include companies tapping the vast potential of the university. The research facilities of Westfälische Wilhelms University and Münster's technical university are available for co-operation projects. With their know-how and technical equipment, they cater to companies' needs with an infrastructure geared to the future within research and development.

Those seeking qualified personnel are bound to succeed in Münster. The university and the technical university, as well as the many training and further education facilities, constantly supply the labour market with qualified and highly specialised experts. For them to combine their career with their family, the city of Münster has been strongly committed to child day-care centres for many years. Good all-day care for pre-school children and many support services at schools are an established element of Münster's infrastructure.

You want to learn more about the locational advantages specific to your industry? Then refer to our industry brochures for services, the retail trade, technologies, the industry and crafts.





What makes Münster so attractive?

Münster thrives on people's pleasure of coming into the city, of shopping here, studying, living and working here. In return, the city has many things to offer: a healthy economy, combined with a high degree of savoir vivre and a quality of life.

Looking for an exciting entrepreneurial environment?

Münster is a top European location for nanobioanalytics and home to one of Germany's largest universities. University and technical university display institutes of world-wide reputation, and around 55,000 students from all around the world mark Münster as a young city open to the world. Companies not only benefit through interesting co-operation projects – Münster is also a city where personnel keep growing, too.

As the metropolitan centre of a region with around 1.2 million residents, Münster is also the service hub and focal point of government offices. Many authorities and courts, in excess of 30 financial institutes operating on a regional and national scale, as well as the head offices of leading insurance companies mark the city's profile. The clients of the service providers include companies from the commercial and industrial segments. But most importantly, the growing high-tech location raises the demand for consultancy, information and communication. The result: a growing service market and a solid market for offices promising a good return.

You think there is more to life than work, and you appreciate life in a city with lifestyle? A city which incorporates nature and culture, leisure and motion, historic paths and modern architecture in the most beautiful way?

Münster undoubtedly has charm: cobblestone paves the Old Town lanes, cyclists as far as your eyes can see, a shopper's paradise set against a historic backdrop, an art and cultural stronghold of international reputation and a Hanseatic City. This member of the „Historic Highlights of Germany“ attracts around 7 million visitors annually.

Shopping, art and cultural delights can be combined into a holistic experience in Münster's Old Town. The Prinzipalmarkt and the surrounding shopping streets have a lot to offer – including Münster specialities like Felix the Rabbit, skateboards by Titus or big international fashion brands.

The perfect end to a shopping spree is a Pinkus beer enjoyed in the Old Town. Or maybe a glass of white wine at one of the many idyllic city cafés? Or rather a latte macchiato at Kreativkai, Münster's latest social mile located in the Stadthafen district? Münster has something for everyone.

Once refreshed, a tour of the sculptures will take you back into the city, to the Pablo Picasso Graphics Museum, or to one of the 30 other museums, the numerous galleries, theatres, cinemas or ...

The choice in art and culture for every day is huge. And Münster keeps adding cultural highlights. The large sculpture exhibitions, which since 1977 have been displaying works by internationally recognised artists every ten years, and which are created specifically for certain localities in the city, the Wagner productions by Städtische Bühnen, or the Jazz Festival staged every other year create an international reputation for Münster.

But even in terms of sports, Münster has a lot to offer. Sailing on lake Aa? Or swinging a golf club instead, or even exploring the enticing surroundings on horseback or by bike? Between the meadows and the fields, the farms and the forests, one is bound to spot one of the many moated castles reminiscent of days gone by.

Life presents itself at its best in Münster – as you will see. And so will your family and your employees, too.



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