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BELGIAN ECONOMIC MISSIONS

CALENDAR 2011-2012

2011

	RUSSIA	April 3 - 8
	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	June 22 - 30
	CHINA	October 20 - 29
	CHILE	December 3 - 7

2012

	VIETNAM	March 10 - 16
	JAPAN	June 9 - 16
	TURKEY	October 15 - 19
	AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND	November 18 - 28

(The dates are subject to change)



HRH PRINCE
PHILIPPE
OF BELGIUM

HRH Prince Philippe was born on April 15, 1960, in Brussels, Belgium, as the first child of HM King Albert II and HM Queen Paola. He is first in line for succession to the throne of Belgium and, as such, bears the title of Duke of Brabant.

On December 4, 1999, the Prince married Miss Mathilde d'Udekem d'Acoz. On October 25, 2001, Princess Mathilde gave birth to a daughter, Princess Elisabeth. Her brother, Prince Gabriel, was born on August 20, 2003. On October 4, 2005, Princess Mathilde gave birth to Prince Emmanuel. Princess Eléonore, the fourth child, was born on April 16, 2008.

At the end of secondary school, which he attended both in French and Dutch, the Prince continued his education at the Royal Military Academy, where he graduated in 1981. He then subsequently qualified as a fighter pilot (1982), a paratrooper and commando officer before assuming command over a paratrooper platoon. The Prince's military career further led him to his current rank of Lieutenant General and Vice Admiral in the Armed Forces (as of March 2010).

Prince Philippe completed his academic training at Trinity College, University of Oxford (UK) and at the Graduate School of Stanford University (USA), where he completed a Master of Arts Degree in political science in 1985. The Prince holds an Honorary Doctorate from the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (2002).

As a result of his increasing number of commitments, the "Household of Prince Philippe" was created in 1992.

On August 6, 1993, by government decree, Prince Philippe was appointed Honorary Chairman of the Belgian Foreign Trade Board (BFTB). He succeeded his father, who had been Honorary Chairman since 1962.

In this capacity, Prince Philippe has headed more than 40 important economic missions, the most recent being to China & Hong-Kong and Bahrain & Qatar (2007); USA (Seattle) & Canada (Vancouver), Egypt, Argentina & Uruguay and Indonesia & Singapore (2008); Mexico & Panama, the Republic of Korea, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Morocco (2009); India, Brazil, Kazakhstan and Ukraine (2010); Russia, the United States and just recently, China (2011).

On May 3, 2003, Prince Philippe was appointed Honorary Chairman of the Board of the Foreign Trade Agency, replacing the BFTB.

On June 21, 1994 he became a member of the Senate.

In addition to his various official duties, Prince Philippe concentrates on gaining more in-depth knowledge of his country and its role and image in the world and international relations.

The Prince is keenly interested in the situation of young people and their integration in the society of tomorrow. He regularly visits schools and universities, but also closely follows such important social issues as unemployment and the struggle against poverty and exclusion.

In May 1997, Prince Philippe was appointed Honorary Chairman of the Belgian Federal Council for Sustainable Development, created after the Conference of Rio.

In 1998, The Prince Philippe Fund was created, with the aim of fostering exchanges between citizens and organizations across all three Communities of Belgium. In 2003, Prince Philippe became Honorary Chairman of BIO (Belgian Investment Company for Developing Countries).

Since 2004, Prince Philippe has also served as the Honorary Chairman of the European Chapter of the Club of Rome and of the International Polar Foundation.

In May 2004, Prince Philippe obtained his license as a civilian helicopter pilot.

He spends his rare leisure time at home with his family and enjoys reading, especially on subjects related to the problems and challenges confronting men and women in today's society. He is an avid sportsman and is keen on maintaining a healthy physical condition.



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- **1998-1999:**

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- **1999-2003:**

Director of Cabinet for the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Employment of the Federal Government of Belgium

- **2003-2004:**

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PRIVATE & PUBLIC
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CHAMBERS
OF COMMERCE
AND FEDERATIONS



The **BEP** is the local agency for economic development in the Province of Namur. Its mission is to guide the region into a dynamic and sustained development that generates activities and jobs, with respect for the human aspects. Base lines are the valorisation of existing resources, improving the standard of living and the integration of new energy challenges.

The different activities of BEP are supporting industrial companies and the touristic sector, the development of the region, waste management, cremation, management of the European programs and the organisations of exhibitions (by the management of the conference centre "Namur Expo").

In order to enhance the economic activities, BEP organises infrastructure and services to facilitate new projects and helps the companies and investors with the identification of new market opportunities in an open, dynamic partnership, on local level as well as on an international level.

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BELGO-CHILEAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The **Belgo-Chilean Chamber of Commerce**, located in Brussels, is an independent and non-profit organization with more than half a century of experience in the relations between Belgium and Chile. Its main aim is to cultivate the bilateral relations between both countries, not only in terms of business or trade, but also contributing to the management of academic, cultural and interpersonal exchanges. It therefore offers personalized services to each person or company interested in developing contacts or activities in Chile and in reverse, to each Chilean person or company interested in Belgium.

With the active support of its twin organization, the Chilean-Belgian Chamber of Commerce in Santiago, our chamber acts as an intermediary, facilitator or social support in actual projects. The extended experience and large array of contacts and personal networks help to accelerate contacts and to advise both Belgian and Chilean parties. More specifically, the Chamber offers a platform of experiences and an exchange of the “best practices”, and functions as a “collective memory” of the relationships between Belgium and the role model economy of the Latin American region.



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CHILEAN BELGIAN LUXEMBOURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



The **Chilean Belgian Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce “Belgolux”** is an independent, non-political and non-profit organization. Its main mission is to stimulate the commercial, social and cultural links between Belgium, Luxembourg and Chile. In conformity with the Chilean law, the Chamber was founded in July 1981, by a group of businessmen, economic leaders, visionaries and entrepreneurs, linked to Belgium for commercial reasons, for family-ties or simply friendship bonds, as an answer to the increasing commercial relationships between both countries. As from June 23 2011, the Belgian Chamber and the Chambers of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg joined forces in order to offer more and better services to their members.

Today, the Chamber unites the major Belgian and Luxembourg companies who are investing in Chile and/or the companies that are involved with the trade between the three countries. The Chamber also counts members that feel close to Belgium or Luxembourg for individual reasons, for professional or personal reasons or even just out of friendship.

We kindly invite you to visit our website www.camarabelgolux.cl to find out more and to become a member of the growing network of businessmen and economic leaders who all share their interests in Belgium, Luxembourg and Chile.

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FEB/VBO – FEDERATION OF ENTERPRISES IN BELGIUM

The **Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (FEB)** is the only multisector employers' organisation representing companies of the three Belgian regions. FEB counts 35 professional regional federations – in addition to its applicant and corresponding members. All in all, it represents more than 48.000 companies, of which 41.000 are small or medium-sized firms. In terms of jobs, FEB represents approximately 75% of the employment in the private sector.

The main activities of the Federation of Enterprises in Belgium are:

- promoting and stimulating entrepreneurship;
- defining common positions of Belgian enterprises;
- ensuring representation in many national and international advisory and administrative committees and institutions;
- acting as an intermediary between enterprises and government, administration, trade unions, consumers ...;
- providing a flow of information to its members and the general public.



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FITA FLANDERS INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL AGENCY



The main aims of **FITA** are:

- making Flanders' achievements known abroad, in various areas connected with infrastructure and equipment, logistics, mobility and environmental issues, renewable energy, spatial planning and housing ;
- FITA also deals with the promotion of the participation of the Flemish business world (engineering companies, building contractors, producers and suppliers) in investments abroad by offering technical assistance and logistic and administrative support e.g. by putting governmental experts available to fulfil international assignments ;
- FITA organises tailor-made visits and trainings in Flanders.

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Hainaut Développement is the province of Hainaut's Agency for Commercial Development and Environment. Its aim is to improve the socio-economic environment and the standard of living. It offers a wide array of services to companies: cross border, European and international development, partnership stimulation, financial support, aid in the public sector, support to obtain a single permit, support to the agricultural sector etc.

Hainaut Développement has since several years re-orientated its efforts towards a sustainable development and aims to become the Centre of reference of Hainaut in the domain of sustainable cross border activity. Furthermore, a series of observations, studies and surveillance of the big interests and the exchange of "good practices" on an international level is being processed.



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Healthcare Belgium is an official Belgian non-profit organisation established in 2007 by 11 top Belgian hospital groups.

The organisation receives substantial support from Agfa Healthcare, the Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (VBO-FEB), Ion Beam Applications (IBA), VK Group and other Belgian experts in the medical sector.

Objective: Internationalisation of the Belgian medical sector

Belgium ranks top in Health in The Global Competitiveness Report published by the World Economic Forum: Nr 1 in 2010-2011 and Nr 2 in 2011-2012.

Healthcare Belgium offers unique collaboration opportunities:

Academic & Clinical Knowledge Transfer

- Training
- Fellowships
- educación

Health Technology Implementation

- Management of Hospital
- Digitisation of hospital administration

Patient Treatment

- Telemedicine, teleradiology services
- Treatment of patients
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UNIZO INTERNATIONAAL VZW

UNIZO, the organisation for independent entrepreneurs and SME 's" is a non-profit making and interprofessional employers' organisation and social partner. With over 120 cooperating professional sectorial organisations and over 85,000 members, UNIZO is the largest organisation for entrepreneurs in Flanders and Brussels.

The main activities of UNIZO are: defending the interests of the entrepreneurs, providing information and advice and stimulating networking.

They are aimed at five specific categories: start-ups, young companies, growing companies, international active companies and business transfer.

UNIZO-Internationaal is responsible for stimulating international trade of Flemish SME's and cooperation in European and international projects. Unizo is a member of UEAPME, the European SME-organisation.



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Flemings in the world (VIW) is an active network of Flemish people all over the world. VIW counts on volunteers, representing the Flemings, to maintain a close bond between Flanders and emigrated or expat Flemings in Europe or other continents.

VIW aims to obtain the largest amount of useful contacts on economic, cultural, social and human level. VIW is the good image of Flanders abroad, through its emigrated people. VIW also wants to show the youth in Flanders the infinite possibilities the world and an international environment can offer, both in thinking and acting.

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WagrALIM is the competitive Walloon centre dedicated to the agro-industrial sector. It reunites companies, research centres and educational actors to achieve the same goal: the realization of projects with a high added value.

Its strategy is based on 4 priority levels of development:

“Health” nutrition, industrial efficiency, (eco-) packaging and the development of sustainable networks in the agro-industry.

WagrALIM offers different services to the companies of this industry, in order to make them more competitive and innovative on a regional and international level.

The projects supported and developed by the centre are research and development projects, education, investments and international counselling.

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS



BNP Paribas is one of the leading banks in the world according to Standard and Poor's and the largest savings bank in the euro zone. The group is present in over 80 countries and employs over 20 000 people, 16 000 of them in Europe. It holds a key position in its three activities: retail banking, investment solutions and corporate and investment banking and it holds a strong and growing position in Asia.

BNP Paribas Fortis is one of the principal banks of Group BNP Paribas. On the Belgian market, the branch offers a wide array of financial services for individuals, self-employed persons, SME's and public institutions.

The bank also works on individualized solutions for wealthy clients, companies, public and financial institutions, based on the knowhow of BNP Paribas and an international network.

BNP Paribas's history as the representative office of BNP Paribas SA in Chile is elaborate, starting from its active participation in the financing of the Santiago underground in the sixties and seventies. The bank offers financial services to a variety of companies, from Chilean and foreign multinationals to financial institutions from different branches of the Chilean economy.

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ONDD - THE BELGIAN EXPORT CREDIT AGENCY

The Office National Du Ducroire / Nationale Delcredere-dienst (**ONDD**) is the Belgian public credit insurer. The ONDD is an autonomous government institution that works to promote international economic relations and relies on State guarantee.

The ONDD insures companies and banks against political and commercial risks related to international commercial transactions, mainly regarding capital goods and industrial projects, as well as contracted works and services. For these risks, ONDD can also work alongside banks through risk sharing schemes. ONDD also insures against political risks related to foreign direct investments and directly finances commercial transactions of limited proportion.



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BMI-SBI is a semi-public investment company, of which the main objective is the medium to long term co-financing of foreign investments by Belgian companies. Its major shareholders are Belgian public institutions as well as private companies such as Fortis Bank, ING and Suez-Tractebel.

Our activities are oriented towards the creation of new “joint ventures” or subsidiaries worldwide, as well as the acquisition, restructuring or development of existing companies.

BMI-SBI takes minority participations in equity and/or quasi-equity (subordinated loans, profit-sharing loans ...) and/or provides medium and long term straight loans. The average financing amount ranges from €0.5 to €2.5 while the term is usually between 5 to 10 years.

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PORTS AND AIRPORTS



Cobelair is a freight forwarder with offices at Brussels and Antwerp airport. Thanks to this central position, in the heart of Europe, and our global agent network, we can offer tailor made solutions, all over the world.

In an ever changing and quickly evolving world, we are your solid partner by preserving you with the most flexible and customized services in order to fully support your business.

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LIEGE AIRPORT

Liege Airport provides to the “cargo community” what it really expects:

Flexibility, development opportunities, added value, cost reduction, personalized services & close partnership.

Liege Airport is fully focusing on cargo operations and specialized in live animals, flowers and fresh products (in 2009 more than 480.000 tons have been carried through it).

Very strategically located, right in-between all major European Markets and continuously available (H24 - 7/7 - No curfew - No slot- No congestion- High speed turnaround) Liege airport provides the fastest and most convenient infrastructure for the professionals of transport and logistics.”



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PORT OF GHENT (BELGIUM)



Ghent is a congestion-free logistics and industrial seaport, home to global leaders in dry and liquid bulk, automotive and distribution. Typical commodities are steel, coal, ores, agro, fertilizers, construction, forest products, chemical and bio energy industries (300 companies, representing 70,000 direct and indirect jobs).

Traffic volume: 48 million tons of cargo by water in 2010; nautical access: Panamax type vessels of 92,000 DWT; quay length: 27.5 km.

Ghent port offers a choice of well-equipped terminals and warehousing facilities for all commodities in bulk, break-bulk and containers and has excellent hinterland

connections by water, rail and road. It is the strategic distribution and logistics hub for Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Germany by inland waterways, road, rail and pipeline and for Norway, Sweden, Finland, the Baltic, Russia, Greece, Turkey, Libya, Tunisia, Egypt and Morocco by short sea shipping.

Ghent port has 660 hectares of industrial greenfield sites readily available for warehousing and industrial developments near the new Kluizendok (4.5 km of quays).

With this mission, we aim to establish strategic relationships with ports, shipping lines (container & conventional), logistics companies and the industry.

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UNIVERSITIES

CIRI - COMMITTEE OF THE INTERUNIVERSITY COUNCIL OF THE FRENCH-SPEAKING REGION (CIUF)



CIRI is a department of the Interuniversity Council of the French-speaking region (Conseil Interuniversitaire de la Communauté française CIUF), a public body that acts as the meeting place for the academic, student, political, trade union, employer and administrative world. The main aim of CIUF is to encourage consultations, enhance collaborations, provide counselling and ensure the representation of the universities in national and international institutions. The CIUF is actually presided over by the Rector of the Liege University, Professor Bernard Rentier.

The Interuniversity department of international relations (Commission Interuniversitaire des Relations Internationales CIRI) unites vice-rectors, heads and responsible persons for international relations of all French-speaking universities in Belgium. Its mission is to establish a common policy in view of the international promotion of the CIUF universities. Specifically, the CIUF shares information on the internationalization of universities, implements joint actions on international level and participates in events for the international promotion of interuniversity missions abroad. The current president of CIRI is professor Serge Jaumain, Vice-Rector of International Relations at ULB.

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CONSEIL GENERAL DES HAUTES ECOLES

The general board of high schools (**Conseil général des Hautes Ecoles CGHE**) is an organization that informs about education in High Schools, currently 21 in number.

The mission of the CGHE is to:

- advise, on its own initiative or on demand of the Government or of a High School, on any subject related to education in the High Schools.
- promote the collaboration of different networks, more specifically in terms of exchange, the content of the educational programs and the continuous education.

The CGHE also decides on the individual demands of acknowledgement from a professional or scientific personality, and on the acceptance of foreign diplomas as equal.



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The financial support of the FRS-FNRS is only based on scientific excellence is provided in different ways:

- Temporarily or permanent payment of individual researchers
- Financing research teams
- Granting allowances and credits in favour of scientific exchanges
- Allocating scientific awards.

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The Interuniversity Institute for the relations between Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean (Institut Interuniversitaire pour les Relations entre l'Europe, l'Amérique latine et les Caraïbes – **IRELAC**), recently founded in Brussels, is the academic successor of CERCAL (Centre d'études des Relations entre l'Union Européenne et l'Amérique Latine – Study centre for relations between the European union and Latin America).

It is a non-profit research centre for universities and other research centres, in Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean. Its mission is to analyze the relationships between the European Union and the Latin-American / Caribbean area, the regional integration processes of

this area and the individual situation in each country. IRELAC organizes each year a seminar on a theme related to these subjects and destined to doctorandi, researches, European commission officials, Belgian ministers or diplomats. International scientific meetings are also organized on specific subjects (regional integration, social issues, economic relations, scientific collaboration etc.) IRELAC plans to open soon a liaison office UE-ALC for Science. IRELAC is part of management boards of numerous projects financed by the European Commission and participates in the European networks CEISAL and REDIAL. The institute also edits the online magazine "Europa & America Latina".



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LIEU (LIAISON ENTREPRISES-UNIVERSITÉS)



The network **LIEU** (Liaison Entreprises-Universités) unites the research valorisation services of the French speaking Universities and High Schools of Belgium. These services aim to promote the collaboration in research between universities and companies and to ensure a valorisation of the research results through the transfer of technologies to existing companies and through the founding of new companies. They decided to collaborate and constitute a network, named LIEU, which enables them to organize complementary activities whenever a joint approach can generate added value.

The LIEU network wants to initiate the mobilization of the scientific and technological potential of universities and high schools towards the innovation in companies and regional development.

For that purpose, LIEU organizes its activities in three strategic domains: valorisation, sensitisation and professionalism. The sectors concerned are: micro and nano technology, new ICT, resources, life sciences, energy and environment and food-processing.

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UNIVERSITE CATHOLIQUE DE LOUVAIN - UCL

Founded in 1425, the **UCL** is one of the oldest universities of Europe.

The university offers to more than 27 289 students of 119 different nationalities more than hundred courses in different domains. A special feature of UCL is its presence in 6 different locations in Belgium, Louvain-la-Neuve, Brussels, Woluwe, Saint-Gilles, Mons, Tournai and Charleroi.

In the QS World University Rankings (2011), UCL is at the 125th place, which makes UCL the first university of the French-speaking community in Belgium.

Education, research and the service to society are central in the university's mission. Based on a tradition of excellence, research is inevitably linked to the learning process and to education. It is in itself the reason of existence and the engine for all activities in the university. Research is not only applied but also contributes to the open contact of the UCL with its region, with Europe and the whole world.



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UNIVERSITE DE LIEGE - ULG



A university offering a full spectrum of disciplines and excellence in research

The **ULg** is a French-speaking university with 11 departments on 4 campuses. Each of them offers high education and post education programs and research activities. Following the Bologna agreement, the ULG applies the highest European standards for its education. The education offered to 20.000 students (of which 23% come from abroad), is directly linked to research and adapted to the expectations of the professional market. In terms of aerospace, natural and environmental sciences, the ULG is an important player in the region's economy.

The GIGA (Interdisciplinary Grouping of Applied Genoproteomic) is one of the best examples of a university initiative to promote the economic development in the region. It stimulates the excellence in fundamental academic research to integrate later on all elements that enable the transfer of technology between the university and the private sector.

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The University of Mons (**UMONS**) is the result of the recent (2009) association between the University of Mons-Hainaut and the Polytechnic Faculty of Mons. The UMONS is member of the Academic University of Wallonia-Brussels and of the ULB (Université Libre de Bruxelles). In this quality, we offer high standard courses and scientific research of an equally high level.

Situated in an ideal location, between Brussels and Paris, the University is perfectly integrated in the historical and cultural centre of the city of Mons, future European Capital of Culture (2015).

The University of Mons includes different faculties and institutes offering courses to achieve bachelor, master or doctor degree in the following disciplines: psychology and pedagogy, economy and management, engineering, science, medical sciences, pharmaceutical sciences, architecture and town planning, translating and interpreting, linguistic sciences, human and social sciences, and law. The University of Mons also develops permanent education programs for adults: computer science, psychology and pedagogy, management and engineering.



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The **ULB**, with its 11 faculties and two schools and institutes, is not only multicultural, but also a comprehensive university covering all disciplines and study cycles.

With three Nobel Prizes, one Fields Medal, one Abel Prize, three Wolf Prizes, seven European Research Council grants, two Marie Curie Awards and many national prizes, the ULB is also a major research university with a strong worldwide standing within the academic community.

It backs its social, societal and scientific responsibilities with a commitment to furthering economic development in the regions where it is located (Brussels and Wallonia) by combining broad access to higher education with high level research. The ULB also has a teaching hospital

(the Erasme Hospital), a cancer institute (the Bordet Institute), and an extensive hospital network.

For about a decade now, the university has been actively involved in maximizing research potential in both Brussels and Charleroi, where it has set up a biotechnology pole around its renowned Institute for Biology and Molecular Medicine (IBMM) & Institute of Medical Immunology (IMI).

Founded on the principle of free-thinking, which advocates independent reasoning and the rejection of dogma in all its forms, the ULB has remained true to its original ideals – an institution free from any form of control and committed to defending democratic humanist values.



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Within the BU ICT-Infrastructure, the focus is set on modular container solutions. Automation owns an installed base of over 600 container installations, mainly in the telecom sector, e.g. cable landing stations, repeater sites and disaster recovery. Nowadays, our company highlights the modular containerized data

centres, an exponentially growing market. As Elite Partner of APC by Schneider Electric, Automation has at its disposal the most advanced components to be integrated in these container solutions.

Automation owns its own production unit, which offers the required independence and flexibility. In addition to that, the company has its own test and design centre. A fully equipped Network Operating Centre (NOC) guarantees 24/7 maintenance.

The company employs 50 people in its offices in Belgium and the U.K.



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Belourthe is an independent manufacturer who owns one of Europe's largest, most efficient and better equipped cereal processing plants, located in the city of Hamoir, Belgium. The company produces a wide range of world class baby cereals, as well as cereals for stage 3 (toddlers). The range includes organic baby cereals, and baby cereals without gluten. All products comply with the European norms for baby foods and are certified Halal. The company prizes the quality of its products above all and has a Grade A quality certificate from the BRC (British Retail Consortium). Belourthe is probably the world's only independent cereals manufacturer having the capability of hydrolyzing cereals.

This special technology breaks the cereals starch and makes them easier for the babies to digest. Belourthe offers its own brand of baby cereals – NINOLAC - with 5 flavours and recommend for babies as from 4 to 6 months. Belourthe also produces under private label for clients all over the world. The company's R&D team can develop formulations that are adapted to the needs of any particular market.

Besides baby cereals, Belourthe produces ingredients, such as hydrolyzed cereals and binders, which are used by the food industry in many applications, such as baby food products, dairy products, breakfast cereals, soft drinks, sauces or biscuits.

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Biscuiterie Willems is located in Eeklo and celebrates this year its 60th anniversary. The biscuit company is specialized in the production of speculaas (caramelised biscuits with a typical sharp, sweet flavour) and recently also speculaas spread. Quality is our priority. By consequence we choose to work according to the IFS-HACCP norms. A decent quality management ensures an ongoing improvement of the quality system, product safety and product quality.

Other products in our range are produced in amongst others the plant of Zonnebeke (West Flanders). That's the reason why we are able to offer a wide range of cookies and pastry: sugared puff paste cookies, crunchy rolls, pretzels, coco cakes, filled waffles, almond and marmalade cakes. You can also order frozen biscuits, like cream filled cakes and bakery products such as donuts and fritters.



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Cantillana is an international group with its own production lines in Belgium, the Netherlands, France and Germany.

The product scale includes:

- Indoor plasters
- Outdoor plasters (incl. ETICS)
- Carcass mortars
- Coloured mortars
- tile adhesives and tile joints
- Paints.

The success of the Cantillana products is based on thorough product knowledge and a continuous focus on product development, taking into account our clients' expectations.

Cantillana products are exported to more than 25 countries worldwide. Granicem L, a decorative one layer façade plaster, is our most important export product.

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The **Epicure Cell** (Cellule Epicure, Cellule d'Etudes Pédagogiques Internationales et Culturelles de Recherche et d'Echange) is an academic non-profit organization, dedicated to the promotion and distribution of a cultural pedagogy for children. It aims to integrate the culture in the educational program in synergy with cultural organizations. The Epicure Cell designs and evaluates a specific methodology starting in the kinder garden, giving priority to disadvantaged pupils, from a cultural, a social or an intellectual point of view.

This pedagogic system was implemented in Belgium and in Chile (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Santiago, Universidad del Maule, Consejo Nacional de la Cultura y las Artes et Junta Nacional de Jardines Infantiles) by a bilateral cooperation and was published in both countries.



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De Clerck Wines is a family-owned wine trader based in Kortrijk. We offer a wide selection of quality wines from all over the world, with a special focus on French Chateau wines and champagnes. As direct importer, we supply to wine shops, restaurants and bars, companies and individual customers in Belgium.

We started in 1974 as the first Belgian wine trader with the importation of Chilean bottled wine. Over the past 35 years, we have been developing an excellent understanding and collaboration with the winery Santa Carolina and Viña Ochagavia. We also have the exclusive distribution right on the new biodynamic top level domain Viña Matetic.

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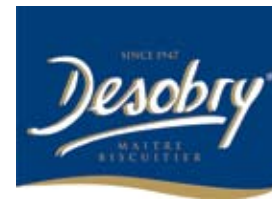
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Desobry is the master of Belgian biscuit that combines creativity, authenticity and tradition of the original Belgian chocolate. With its unique portfolio of 45 different biscuits as a result of a deliberate policy of innovation, Desobry invests in flavours, character and pleasure of fine taste and discovery.

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Unique in its freedom to do business, Desobry is a 100% Belgian company, owned for 78% by the management and for 22% by the Degroef Bank (private equity). It generates a turnover of 25 million euro and employs 160 people at the manufacturing plant in Tournai. Desobry is BRC- and IFS High Level certified.

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Isla de Pascua, el gran tabú (autumn 2011) raised the question whether the history of the island, as we know it, could be questioned today. The elements unearthed on site during the past 12 years by a team of Belgian archaeologists could well oblige us to change our vision on the facts. (Available in Castilian, English and French)

Chile, país de vinos y montañas (2009) is a book of art dedicated to the Chilean culture and wine in the Central Valley. The beauty of the landscape leaves us breathless (Available in Castilian, English and French)

Éramos niños en la Patagonia (2005) relates the migration of about 5 Belgian families to Patagonia in the late 1940s. It was not easy, but it offered freedom and extraordinary adventures for young people. (Available in French and Castilian).



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The range of plants for domestic residual water treatment, Oxifix® (for 5 to 300 people) and Airoxy® (from 100 to 2000 people), are developed for residential, commercial and small scholar projects, offices etc. with or without connection to the municipal sewer system.

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The technology is based on the “domino” principle, using the properties of auto connectivity and interchangeability of the Greenskin Box®. The result is a unit, easy and quick to install.

Greenskin DVHM was nominated for the Belgian Building Awards 2011 for its Greenskin Box® system.

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Jules Destrooper had a great passion: to combine the best ingredients to create the best biscuits with the most refined taste. This passion is the origin of the Biscuiterie Jules Destrooper, which was founded in 1886.

Until today, all biscuits of Jules Destrooper are baked following the original recipe, based on the best natural ingredients, without adding colorants, additives or artificial preservatives. Besides the recognition, through the different awards for our products, Jules Destrooper became internationally renowned over the years.

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Tubes, merchant bars, beams, aluzinc and tinplates are the main products in our wide portfolio. We also offer one of the largest varieties of coils and plates, from hot-rolling to pre-paint.

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LAN Airlines is one of the leading airliners in Latin America for both passenger and cargo transport. The company services 76 destinations worldwide through an extended network that offers ample connectivity within the regions, linking Latin America to the United States, Europe and the South Pacific. Through our various code-share agreements LAN Airlines and its branches service an additional amount of 93 international destinations. LAN Airlines and its branches are the leader in the home market of Chile and Peru and have a significant presence on the national market in Argentina and Ecuador. In November 2010, LAN acquired the Colombian airline AIRES.

Today, LAN Airlines and its branches operate 125 passenger aircrafts, while LAN CARGO and its branches count 14 freight carriers with one of the most modern fleet worldwide, allowing to increase efficiency and to significantly reduce the CO2 emission. This reflects the company's important commitment to environmental protection.

LAN is one of the few airlines worldwide that is classified as Investment Grade (BBB). Its international quality standards permitted LAN 10 years ago to become a member of oneworld™ alliance, the global airline alliance that reunites the best companies worldwide. For more information, please visit www.lan.com or www.oneworldalliance.com.

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Latexco Solutions can also offer materials with a laminated coat: with a permanent or non permanent tape, or with a membrane. Besides we also offer alveolar (agglomerated) foams.



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and abroad (Chile, Vietnam, the Netherlands, Ethiopia, Argentina, South Africa ...)

This is the result of its international portfolio of companies and investments, mostly in areas where the company has gained extended knowledge and/or market leadership. To achieve this objective, the Group Machiels thinks it is necessary to organize the core activities around the cradle-to-cradle principle: after being used in one product, all materials can be reused in another product.

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MAGOTTEAUX INTERNATIONAL

Magotteaux is the global leader in differentiated solutions for comminution (crushing, grinding, and breaking into small pieces)

To meet the demands of their costumers (the mining industry, cement, quarries, recycling and coal power stations and the dredging industry), the Group researches, designs, manufactures and distributes grinding media and wear resistant parts as well as their related services. This is done after analyzing in detail of the production processes of the different costumers, of the wear mechanisms (abrasion, corrosion, impact) and of the materials (alloys) which allow giving the right answers.

Magotteaux was a true pioneer in the use of composite materials in the manufacturing of parts with high added value. These patented technologies enable the group to propose solutions differentiated from standard steel and iron foundry products.

Magotteaux employs about 2400 employees in 13 production units and 38 sales agencies and technical centres worldwide. The production capacity exceeds 450 000 tons of grinding media and castings, for a total turnover of more than EUR 500 million. As from October 2011, Magotteaux is part of the Chilean group Sigdo Koppers.



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Founded in 1999 **Mithra Pharmaceuticals** is a spin-off of the University of Liège (Belgium) and is exclusively dedicated to women health. Mithra markets new and innovative pharmaceutical products specifically for women.

Mithra's current activities fall into four separate therapeutic categories: contraception and fertility, menopause and osteoporosis, utero-vaginal sphere (incl Intim Hygiene), and female cancer. Taking into account its partnerships with other organisations, Mithra's current product range comprises more than 40 specialist lines (details of which can be found on the company website www.mithra.be).

The 17 available for export products of Mithra are distributed in more than 40 countries around the world at present. A number of painstakingly developed non-medical research lines have also enabled Mithra and its associates to bring to market feminine hygiene products, specific vitamins and food supplements which respond to the demands of modern life while satisfying the rigorous criteria and strict standards of the pharmaceutical industry.

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Our company specializes in the construction of carports, patios, roofing of parking lots (shopping malls, airports, companies) and golf training centres. To cover the place for a single vehicle as well as for an entire parking lot, every compartment is attached to the next and tightly sealed. The structure consists of metal supports coated with epoxy paint and a roof covering in PVC-coated polyester which are not deformable in temperatures between -40° and 80°, treated against UV and fixed in an aluminium frame.

All shelters are deliverable in 4 to 6 weeks, in all RAL-colours.

As confirmed by tests in a wind tunnel to 170 km/h, certain models do not even need to be anchored. The easy assembly can either be done by the client or with our aid according to the size and complexity of the project.



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Our distinctive competence is to produce medical devices in semi-finished thermoplastics in the shape of sheets, making us of extrusion technology.

Orfit industries export its products to 73 countries, resulting in 98% of its sales on the export market. It is the only company in this industry branch that controls the entire process from research and development to production, quality control, sales and education.

We bring innovative solutions with a clear added value to the market, for both clinicians and patients.

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Our company is active in the following areas: commercial agents and distributors, investments, project management, prospection and lobbying.

Thanks to our high level contact network, we can offer our services both as agent or distributor, to promote the sales and marketing of Chilean products and services in Europe and vice versa. In addition, we can offer the best services in prospecting and lobbying in Europe.



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Pattyn Packing Lines, is a family company with over 30 years of experience in bag-in-box packaging machines and it developed the first bag inserting machines in 1976. By positioning a bag in a box, the product is fully protected against dust and humidity. Depending on our customers' needs, we offer a stand-alone machine or a complete solution from box positioning, bag inserting and filling to closing bags and boxes.

In this process the bulk products, both food and non-food, are counted, weighed, filled and packaged in boxes, crates, buckets or tins with a tailor made bag.

Pattyn Packaging Lines invests daily in the development of new technologies and machine, offering a high level of automation and flexibility.

As a full service company, we cooperate with our exclusive business partners, our subsidiary in North America and the "De La Ballerina bread division" to offer worldwide a complete range of services. Each project is personally monitored, which enables you to enjoy our experts' advice and our knowledge based on years of experience.

More than 600 industrial companies worldwide have already chosen a packaging solution from Pattyn Packaging Lines.

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For more than 25 years, **Planopack** produces a wide range of laminates for the food industry. Our laminated packaging is mainly used as supporting boards for fish, meat, poultry, cheese, pizza and pastry.

Over the years, Planopack has acquired a strong position in the worldwide sector of smoked salmon. Thanks to years of experience, Planopack has the know-how for tailor-made packing, offering an extra touch to every product. Planopack Belgium and Planopack Denmark are internationally renowned for their quality, innovative approach, product development and production methods respecting food safety.



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Research & Innovation Management Services bvba (RIMS) is an independent services company for international research collaborations, valorisation and technology transfer, including help with administration and training in international research management.

We specialize in growing value from international research in the Life Sciences / Biotechnology sector through the following services:

- how to organize research programs (research management, academia-industry partnerships)
- how to finance R&D projects (public and private funding, proposal/report writing, and negotiation services)
- how to maximize the Socio-Economic Value of research (knowledge transfer, commercialization, IPR valuation, licensing, spin-off creation).

RIMS has access to a large number of networks in Europe, Africa, India and Latin America and can offer its clients added expertise of our strategic business alliance partners.

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After graduating in France, Sabine and Eric Léonard founded in 2009 the first professional saffron production plant in Belgium. In 2010, they produced 20 000 bulbs and they will increase to 40 000 bulbs in 2011. With a total of about 65 000 bulbs, they are the major saffron factory in Belgium.

Besides the production of harvested saffron pistils, we propose 4 saffron flavoured liquors.

New on the market is a green tea with saffron, a real luxury tea.

We guarantee traceability of each bulb, of the saffron itself and of every by product.



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The world of spheres is our specialty. Thanks to our technical expertise and extensive knowledge in the different applications of our products, we offer a large range of different types of balls and spheres manufactured under strict quality standards and procedures (ISO, ROHS, HACCP, GMP). These technical skills also

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We are a specialist in transport and handling of (very) heavy goods, rental and operation of cranes (hydraulic – crawler) and in offering solutions to problems related to crane-operated projects.

Because of a permanent focus on the future, we have a highly skilled crew and very advanced equipment to satisfy the often “extra-ordinary” needs of our customers.

Safety is a priority to Sarens. Vision and expertise: that is what made Sarens, a Flemish family business, evolve into an international market leader.

After more than 50 years of experience, we keep on building our future on the foundations of a rich past!



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Product lines manufactured by Schröder include:

- Street lighting, from secondary streets to highways
- Urban lighting (squares, parks, pedestrian zones)
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- Tunnel lighting
- Industrial lighting
- Special lighting such as station platforms, subways and roundabouts.

Schröder Chile, based in Santiago for 15 years, is leader in the Chilean market for public lighting. Focusing on products with a Green Light Label, Schröder recently launched a new range of LED products. Some references are: the Costanera Norte highway (11 km of tunnels), the Central highway, lighting of foundries and lower levels for Codelco (copper mining), el Paseo La Pastora in the municipality of Las Condes, the Bicentenario park of the Vitacura community in Santiago, ...

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Senior-Assist was founded in Belgium and has its headquarters in Brussels.

Seniority (trade name in Chile) is an innovative and comprehensive concept of care and service for the elderly adult in every stage of his life, when still autonomous and only needing specific support at home until the moment when extended care and intensive attention in hospital is needed.

Seniority offers modern and innovative alternatives in services up to European standards:

- Care at home
- Day care
- Living (4 homes for the elderly people with a capacity of 500 residents)
- Boutique.



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Septentrio NV produces professional, very accurate GPS/GNNS receivers. Targeted at original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), Septentrio's core technology is being applied in precise positioning, timing and attitude determination applications.

Septentrio is a spin-off of the world-renowned research centre IMEC (Micro Electronics Centre) in Leuven and is the recognized world leader in the development of the European Galileo receiver technology.

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TANSENS & CASAERT

Our weaving mill is a family-owned company founded on April 1st, 1958 and currently managed by the 3rd generation. We are specialized in producing solid colour woven jacquard viscose rugs but also have an extensive cotton collection to use in the bathroom and a collection of Shaggy rugs.

Our team of designers ensures steady creation of designs and quick realisations of new developments. Thanks to our flexibility we can offer a wide range of qualities, designs, colours and sizes. Our own finishing department allows us to accurately control the final stages of the production and to guarantee a perfect carpet.

Our in-house technical know-how in combination with the modern technical equipment ensures that the name **"Tansens & Cansaert"** is identified with quality.



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Ms. Van den Abeele can rely on the following experience. In 1979 she graduated with great honours and obtained a degree in law, followed in 1980 by a special license in tax law and accountancy, with honour. After her studies, she worked in accountancy until the end of 1998; thereafter she became a lawyer to the law court of Bruges as from 03.12.1998.

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The Teletask solutions integrate all electrical function: lighting, heating, cooling, ventilation, curtains, sunscreens, doors, gates, sound, video, cameras, door intercom, PCs, Smart Phones, access control, security, Ethernet/IP, remote services etc.. Teletask aims to continuously increase the comfort and security and to achieve a rational management of energy.

Teletask offers easy to use solutions, based on 27 years of experience to enhance the quality of life and living. In over 40 countries, tens of thousands of customers experience this every day.

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THE BELGIAN CHOCOLATE GROUP



The **Belgian Chocolate Group (BCG)**, Founded in 1956, the Belgian Chocolate Group is a well-established supplier and exporter of premium quality chocolate products, offered at attractive prices.

Our brand “The Belgian” offers a wide range of products and reflects the traditional knowledge of making Belgian chocolate products. The assortment includes chocolate sea shells, cocoa dusted and flake truffles, pralines, bars, hollow figurines and more innovative products such as medallions, truffines and chocolate donuts. Furthermore No Sugar Added bars of “The Belgian” are available.

BCG has two production sites in Belgium, where all our products are manufactured and from where these are exported. We cooperate on an exclusive basis with distributors in over 80 countries, aiming to create a clear and consistent brand representation. In BCG’s endless quest for 1st class products, an excellent quality is always the first condition. BCG follows the international standards and guidelines. In January 2011, BCG was the first Belgian chocolate company that won the BRC A star level, the highest possible standard that can be achieved.

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UNIVEG is a global supplier of fresh products and operates in following sectors: fruit & vegetables, fresh cut salads, flowers & plants, transport & logistics.

UNIVEG has 25 years of experience as a reliable supplier offering a competitive range of fresh products and a wide range of services for the distribution of food.

Within the professional area of “fruit & vegetables”, UNIVEG controls the entire process, from cultivation to delivery to the customer. Production, harvesting, import,

storage, packaging, distribution and transport are part of the activities of the group. The UNIVEG group has subsidiaries on four continents and delivers worldwide to customers in over 25 countries. Nowadays, the group employs 9000 people.

PinguinLutosa Food exports to 104 countries. This group consists of Pinguin and D'Aucy frozen vegetables, Lutosa frozen potato products and recently, the company Scana-Nolika has joined the PINGUIN LUTOSA group. This group employs about 3000 people and produces about 800 million kg of frozen products. Chile is one of the 104 countries to which the group exports.

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- development of renewable energy projects (wind, biomass, solar).

We rely on our extensive database, knowledge and human resources that we provide to our customers for quick solutions taking into account the economic feasibility of the project.

In every project, we seek the best combination between general workers and specialists, to deliver the most realistic and objective solutions.

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Uteron Pharma is a Belgian company located in the region of Liège. Uteron Pharma is committed to enabling (cutting-edge scientific) research and development, creation and production of a diversified portfolio of products and treatments for the international market in the area of women's health, especially in terms of (i) contraception and fertility (ii) menopause and osteoporosis (iii) the utero-vaginal sphere and (iv) female cancers

Our diversified development portfolio includes a new generation of oral contraceptives based on natural hormones, a hormonal intra-uterine device (IUD),

treatments for persistent vaginal infections and a new generation of tests that will significantly increase in-vitro fertilisation success rates.

Uteron Pharma also develops, from its leading technology platform in the field of silicone, a variety of innovative devices for controlled release of well-known hormones.

Uteron Pharma collaborates with many recognized international partners that are all dedicated to research and development such as the University of Liège and all projects are supported by the Walloon region.

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The weaving mill **Van Den Broucke N.V.** was founded in 1951 by the father of the current manager. In the first years the mill produced upholstery velvets mainly for the Belgian and German market. Over the years the company started to export to the UK and the United States and in the end worldwide. In the mid-80's the activity was completely switched to the weaving of artificial silk carpets. Nowadays the production consists mainly of viscose (artificial silk) and cotton based carpets.

Thanks to the investments in looms equipped with electronic jacquard machines and a CAD/CAM system, we have created a wide variety of possibilities.

Its thirty co-workers assure the quality standard through the entire production process.



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VELDEMAN STRUCTURE SOLUTIONS



Veldeman Structure Solutions has over 40 years experience in the development, production, distribution and sales of aluminium and steel frames and structures. Veldeman offers solutions for a wide variety of purposes: corporate and private parties, exhibitions, events, industrial and commercial applications, gymnasiums and even military applications.

In order to obtain high quality products, Veldeman makes use of the most recent technologies. The company owns a high-tech research and development

department, and an in-house production plant for membranes and a metal department as well as its own maintenance department.

In addition to supplying high quality products, Veldeman also focuses on service, innovation and flexibility. Safety is of paramount importance; every structure meets the highest and most recent standards. With operations in over 30 countries, Veldeman belongs to the key players on the global market.

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The Flemish Water Knowledge Centre is a demand-driven, facilitating intermediary. It offers a full range of services in the integral water cycle: support for water science, a platform for collaboration and promoter of exchange of experiences and intellectual property.

Vlakwa aims at efficiency gains with its stakeholders, as well as at international valorisation of the knowledge and achievements that are already acquired in Flanders through cooperation.

Vlakwa initiates, coordinates and facilitates demand-driven research and development with short-term priority of:

- Effluent filtration, membrane filtration
- Water footprint, decontamination
- Water conditioning process
- Anaerobic digestion
- Reuse of (rain)water.

Areas of application are: drinking water, industrial process water, waste water and surface water (including ecology).

Vlakwa operates for and with governments, agencies, industry, universities and research centres.



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WATERLEAU's dream is to protect future generations by protecting the four elements. Through continuous efforts in research and development we are developing proprietary and advanced environmental technologies for Water, Air, and Waste treatment and Renewable Energy. We work for the benefit of all our stakeholders: sustainable business encompasses people, planet and profit.

WATERLEAU is one of the few global players with a complete portfolio of water, air, waste treatment and integrated renewable energy applications. Our 280 environmental engineers and specialists offer environmental services and solutions to both industry and municipalities. WATERLEAU has an enviable track record of more than 1000 references in 78 countries all over the world.

Working from the heart of Europe near Brussels, we have developed an extensive network of local companies and representative offices in Paris, London, Casablanca, Cairo, Istanbul, Hong Kong, Macau, Beijing, Sao Paolo and Mumbai.

WATERLEAU has signed large contracts including wastewater treatment projects in Marrakech (1.1 million people), Fes (1.3 million people) and Baghdad (1.4 people), drinking water plants in Tshikapa Congo (1 million people), and waste-to-energy plants in China (4 plants, each 18 MWe).

Alongside public customers, WATERLEAU is also working continuously for many multinational companies including Coca Cola, Pepsico, AB Inbev, Heineken, Cargill, Goodyear, Dupont, Sara Lee, and Heinz.

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Xenics is the leading developer of innovative infrared detection solutions for a wide range of applications. Xenics designs, manufactures and sells infrared detectors and cameras, both line-scan and 2-D, covering the infrared wavelength ranges from 0.4 to 14 micrometers. In addition, Xenics delivers custom products according to the agreed specification and planning. As a European vendor with a worldwide service and distributor network, Xenics is strategically placed to serve global markets with highly innovative products drawing on a strong science and technology background.



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BELGIAN FOREIGN TRADE AGENCY

The **Belgian Foreign Trade Agency** is a public body with legal status. It was set up through the Cooperation Agreement concluded between the Belgian federal government and the three Belgian regional governments in 2002.

The Agency is run by a Board of Directors. Its Honorary President is His Royal Highness Prince Philippe of Belgium.

The Agency's main tasks are to:

- Provide documentation on foreign markets.
- Organize joint economic missions.
- Collect, organize and circulate information, studies and documentation on external markets on behalf of the regional export promotion organizations.

The regional export organizations (AWEX, Brussels Export and FIT) remain the primary contact points for Belgian companies.



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The **Federal Public Service (FPS) Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation** manages Belgium's foreign relations. Belgium's Foreign Affairs network is comprised of 130 embassies, consulates and representations both at home and abroad. As an organization with solid and long-standing experience in foreign relations, the FPS channels its expertise into actions geared towards the following objectives:

- Defending Belgian interests abroad
- Promoting a stable, fair and thriving world community based on solidarity
- Combating global poverty by coordinating a high-level of cooperation.

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BRUSSELS INVEST & EXPORT

MINISTRY OF THE BRUSSELS-CAPITAL REGION

Brussels invest & export is the foreign trade and investment agency of the Brussels-Capital Region. It aims to promote the internationalization of the Brussels economy.

Brussels is not only the Belgian and European capital, home of NATO and EU headquarters, but it is also a large business centre at the heart of the European market.

BRUSSELS invest & export assists Brussels companies operating in foreign markets. Almost ninety economic and trade commissioners across all continents provide free guidance to SMEs, target potential local prospects and partners, organise matchmaking visits... Concrete initiatives in Brussels and abroad include trade missions, contact days, buyers' invitations and collective stands at international trade fairs.

Brussels exporters are listed in a database, www.brussels-exporters.be, which can be accessed by all foreign companies searching for partners.

Another mission of BRUSSELS invest & export is to attract foreign companies to Brussels and to provide them with support, should they decide to locate their business in the Region.

To enable investors to assess the benefits of establishing in the capital, BRUSSELS invest & export offers them a "Welcome Package" which includes equipped office space at no cost for a three-month period.



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HONORARY CONSUL FOR THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE IN THE PROVINCES OF EAST AND WEST FLANDERS

In February 2011, Bert De Clerck was nominated Honorary Consul for the Republic of Chile for East and West Flanders.

For 5 years he has been member of the Belgian-Chilean Chamber of Commerce in Brussels.

In addition to abovementioned roles, Bert De Clerck makes part of the 2nd generation of wine traders in Kortrijk. In 1974, "De Clerck Wijnen" was the first to introduce bottled Chilean wines on the Belgian market.

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- Honorary consul for the Republic of Chile in the provinces of Hainaut and Namur
- Role: economic, social, cultural, academic and protocol
- Member of the Board of the Belgo-Chilean Chamber of Commerce
- Chairman of the Belgian Consular Union, that unites all the honorary consuls of the world for Belgium and all the Belgian Consuls worldwide
- Notary in Châtelet.
- Head of the traineeship program at the catholic University of Louvain for the Master in Public Notary Law.



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The Honorary Consul also organizes cultural and commercial events for the promotion of Chile.

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The **Flanders Investment & Trade** agency promotes sustainable, international business in the interest of both Flanders-based companies and overseas enterprises.

Whatever sector you are involved in, Flanders Investment & Trade will help you establish contact with the Flemish companies you are looking for.

This includes not only the products and services you may be sourcing, but also various types of business relationships, from joint ventures to technology transfers.

At another level, Flanders Investment & Trade enhances Flanders' position as the gateway to Europe for inward investors.

The agency identifies, informs, advises and supports overseas enterprises by establishing production and research facilities, contact centres, headquarters and logistics operations in Flanders.

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WALLOON REGION

CABINET OF THE MINISTER OF ECONOMY AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE WALLOON GOVERNMENT



The **Minister of Economy and Vice-President of the Walloon Government**, Jean-Claude Marcourt, and his **cabinet** are charged with overseeing the economic and social development of Wallonia.

To the five clusters of competitiveness created under the Marshall Plan, with the goal of creating a solid economic and industrial environment (Transport and Logistics, Healthcare, Mechanical Engineering, Agro-Industry, Aeronautics and Space Industry), has been added a sixth one dedicated to the green economy.

Sustainable development is ripe with real opportunities for Wallonia to enhance its economy. In light of this belief, special attention will be paid to SME's and new technologies, which are also competencies of Minister Marcourt.

Located in the center of Europe, at the converging point of major roads, rivers, railways and air routes, Wallonia benefits from a high quality labor force and ample free spaces for the expansion of new economic activities; all advantages that Minister Marcourt, his team - in close collaboration with the Wallonia Foreign Trade and Investment Agency (AWEX) - will assert when promoting the benefits of Foreign Trade to the Region.

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WALLOON REGION

WALLONIA FOREIGN TRADE AND INVESTMENT AGENCY (AWEX)

The **Wallonia Foreign Trade and Investment Agency (AWEX)** is the Wallonia Region of Belgium's governmental agency charged with promoting foreign trade and attracting foreign investment. The agency has a worldwide network of 107 economic and trade representatives. AWEX has been certified ISO 9001 since April 2002.

As a foreign trade agency, AWEX carries out a mission focused on promoting and informing the public of the many benefits of both Wallonia and its foreign businesscommunity. AWEX assists buyers, decision-makers, importers and foreign prospects by providing information on Wallonia's export potential. As an export

partner for Wallonia-based companies, AWEX offers a wide range of export-oriented services and activities (market surveys, organization of trade missions, trade show pavilions, export incentives, etc.).

As a foreign investment agency, AWEX has the overall responsibility for attracting foreign investment to Wallonia. This includes seeking out and providing information to potential foreign investors. The Agency also offers a proactive follow-up service to investors already established in Wallonia. In addition, it is in charge of identifying new foreign investors for the acquisition of industrial sites under a restructuring process



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WALLOON REGION – WALLONIA-BRUSSELS FEDERATION

WALLONIE-BRUXELLES INTERNATIONAL (WBI)



Wallonie-Bruxelles International As a public administration, Wallonie-Bruxelles International is responsible for the international relations of the Walloon Region and the Federation Wallonie-Bruxelles.

Thanks to its exclusive capacities in different and essential areas (amongst others education, economy, employment, energy, culture, housing, research) and the international extension of this fields, the Wallonia-Brussels unit developed a particularly dense network.

Extremely open to the world, this unit has signed multiple cooperation agreements with many countries or regions, keen for exchange and mutual enrichment. One of these agreements was signed with the

Republic of Chile in 1997, supporting collaboration projects, mainly focused on the academic, scientific and cultural sector.

This bilateral cooperation with Chile flourished into the network of close relationships between Belgium and Chile for over 30 years, particularly through the large number of Chilean students that have studies in our universities and to the intense cooperation between Chilean and Belgian universities.

The Wallonia-Brussels delegation in Santiago is located in the municipality of Las Condes, and also houses the Economic and commercial representation of the Walloon region (AWEX).

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WALLONIE-BRUXELLES CAMPUS

WALLONIA-BRUSSELS FEDERATION

Its missions are to federate, coordinate, promote, communicate and orientate. Under the auspices of Wallonia-Brussels International (WBI) and the Ministry of the French-speaking Community of Belgium, and committed to support higher education institutions and foreign students alike, **Wallonia-Brussels Campus** sets out to promote the higher education of French-speaking Belgium on the international stage.

WBCampus' tools:

- The website www.studyinbelgium.be allows foreign students to access all the information they need to prepare for a period of study in Wallonia-Brussels, from the choice of course to the practical aspects of their stay;

- Multilingual publications that are regularly updated inform foreign students about the higher education system in place in Wallonia-Brussels and its educational offering;
- Participation in promotional events abroad, under the Wallonia-Brussels Campus brand (international fairs for students and professionals, forums, etc.), is an effective way to promote higher education;
- The joint organisation of promotional campaigns on specific themes fosters cooperation between higher education institutions within the Wallonia-Brussels Community and establishments dotted around the world.

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BCD Travel Belgium

As market leader in Belgium, BCD Travel offers a wide variety of services designed to meet the needs of every customer, from small and medium sized enterprises to large corporations, both in the private and public sector.

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- Multinational service centre
- Platform for SME (small and medium sized enterprises)
- Specific services for the public sector
- Consultancy services
- Strategic meetings, conferences and incentive travels

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BCD Holdings N.V. is a market leader in the travel industry. The private owned Dutch company was founded in 1975 by John Fentener van Vlissingen. BCD Holdings employs approximately 13 500 people and operates in more than 90 countries with total sales, including franchising, of US\$ 20 300 million. For more information, visit: www.bcd-nv.com.



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ECONOMIC PROFILE OF BELGIUM, THE HEART OF EUROPE

Belgium is a federal Kingdom comprised of three regions (the Flemish Region, the Walloon Region and the Brussels-Capital Region) and three communities (the Flemish, the French and the German Communities).

Belgium has a population of 10.9 million inhabitants (2011) and is one of the most densely populated countries in Europe. Brussels is the 'Capital of Europe', playing host to the headquarters of the European Commission, the Council of Ministers and the European Parliament. Other major international organizations, such as NATO, are also located in Brussels. As a result, Brussels ranks as the world's number two city (after Washington, D.C.) in terms of the number of accredited journalists, and fourth in terms of the number of international meetings and seminars held.

With a surface of 30,500 km², Belgium is one of the smallest member states of the European Union. Nevertheless, it is a significant player in the world economy. GDP reached €339.0 billion in 2009 and an estimated €351.8 billion in 2010. In line with global deceleration, growth drastically slowed towards the end of 2008, and was negative in 2009 (-2.7%). In 2010, the Belgian economy recovered and an estimated growth rate of 2.1% was recorded.

Despite the recent downturn, Belgium is a high income country, with a Gross National Income (GNI) per capita of US\$ 45,420 in 2010 (World Bank data).

According to the World Trade Organization (WTO), in 2010, Belgium was the 9th leading exporter of merchandise goods and the 15th leading exporter of commercial services. In 2010, Belgium's share in world merchandise exports was 2.7%. With a share of 2.5% in world imports of goods, Belgium ranked 12th among world importers.

For four years, Belgium has been holding the top position of the annual KOF Index of Globalization, which measures the economic, social and political dimensions of globalization.

In regards to Foreign Direct Investments, in 2010 Belgium ranked number 4 in the world with US\$62.0 billion. The continued presence of TNC (coordination centres), as well as new tax incentives that entered into force in January 2006 (notional interest deduction) play an important role.

BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS

BELGIUM-CHILE

Belgium is indeed your ideal partner because of its strategic location in the heart of Europe, its flourishing economy with stable growth and the unwavering confidence of consumers and investor.

Belgian exports to Chile	2008	12 months	€ 307,3 million
	2009	12 months	€ 213,5 million
	2010	12 months	€ 326,2 million
	2011	6 months	€ 185,4 million
Belgian imports from Chile	2008	12 months	€ 322,6 million
	2009	12 months	€ 522,9 million
	2010	12 months	€ 762,4 million
	2011	6 months	€ 501,5 million



BRUSSELS-CAPITAL REGION



Wallonie

