

## INVESTING IN SERBIA 2013



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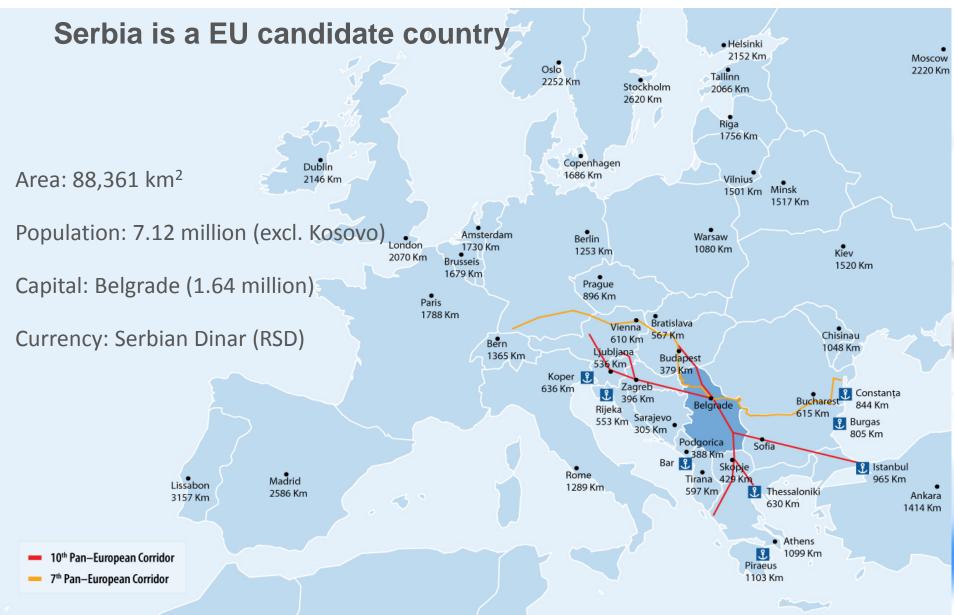
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#### SERBIA ECONOMY AND POLITICS

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The Stabilization and Association Agreement (SAA) with EU signed in April 2008;

SAA ratified by EU parliament in January 2011;

- EU candidate status in March 2012;
- Trade interim agreement with EU since 2009;
- Visa liberalization for Serbian citizens since
- December 2009;
- In process of WTO accession;
- Law on Foreign Investments adopted in 2002 –
- equalizing all rights of domestic and foreign investors

#### TRENDS AND PROJECTIONS OF SERBIAN ECONOMY

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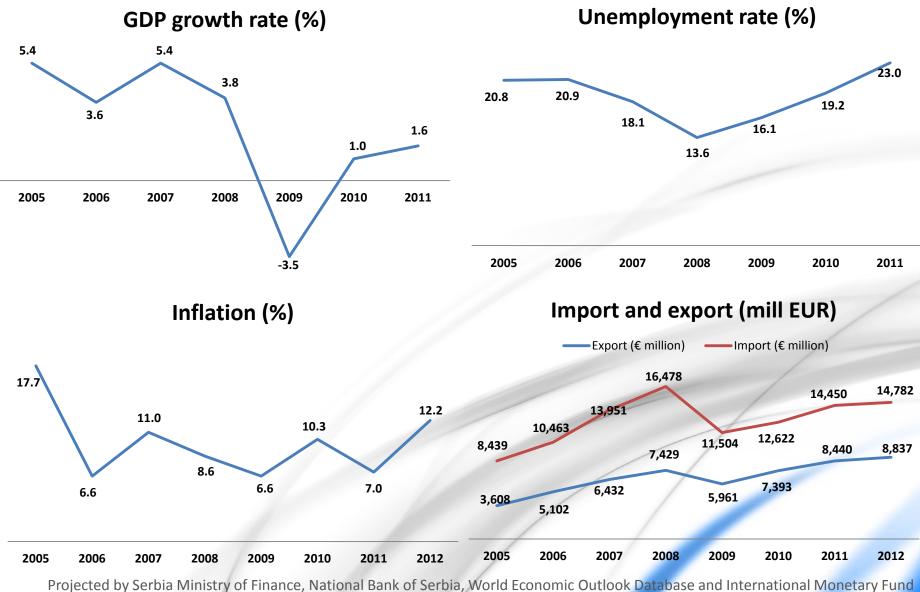
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
GDP growth rate (%)	5.4	3.6	5.4	3.8	-3.5	1.0	1.6	-2.0
Unemployment rate (%)	20.8	20.9	18.1	14.0	16.6	19.2	23.7	I-X 25.5
FDI (€ million)	1,303	4,234	2,848	2,434	1,810	1,139	2,236	I-IX 1,556
Inflation (%)	17.7	6.6	11.0	8.6	6.6	10.3	7.0	12.2
Export (€ million)	3,608	5,102	6,432	7,429	5,961	7,393	8,441	8.836,8
Import (€ million)	8,439	10,463	13,951	16,478	11,504	12,622	14,250	14.782,3

Projected by Serbia Ministry of Finance, National Bank of Serbia, World Economic Outlook Database and International Monetary Fund

#### SERBIA ECONOMY TREND AND PLANS

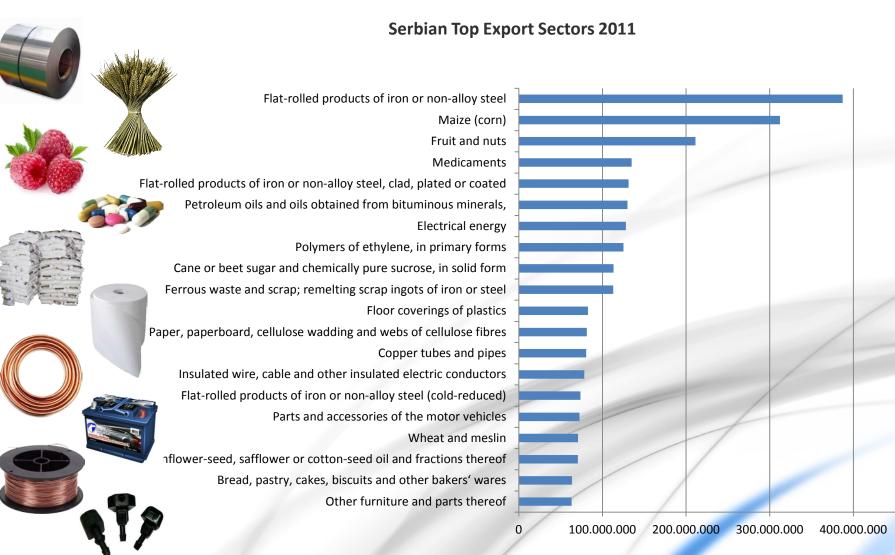


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#### SERBIAN INDUSTRY TODAY

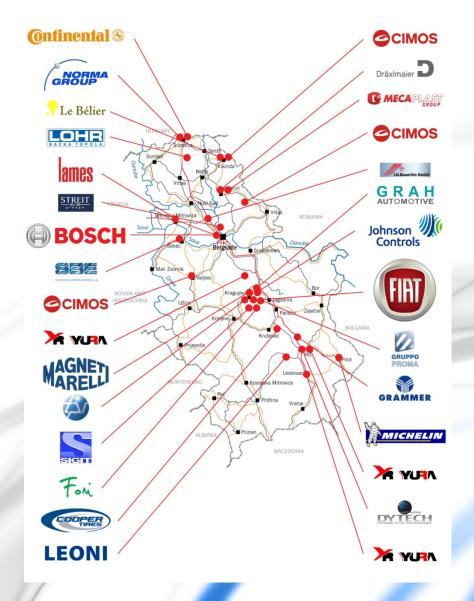


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## **TOP INVESTMENT SECTORS - AUTOMOTIVE**

#### Largest Investors in Automotive Industry

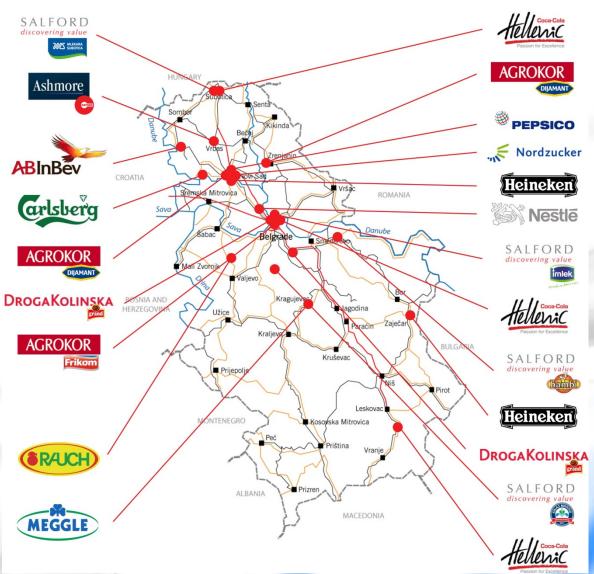
- More then 1.4 billion euros of FDI,
- In two years automotive products will become Serbia's top export item,
- More than 70 years of tradition,
- Experienced, educated and inexpensive labor,
- Available labor,
- Well developed infrastructure.





Largest Investors in Food Industry

- Second largest FDI sector in Serbia (after Financial),
- More than 2.6 billion of euros of FDI,
- Excellent agricultural land also
   opportunity for investments in primary
   production,
- Over one third of world's raspberries are grown in Serbia,
- Excellent position to cover SEE market,
- Excellent conditions to serve Russian market.

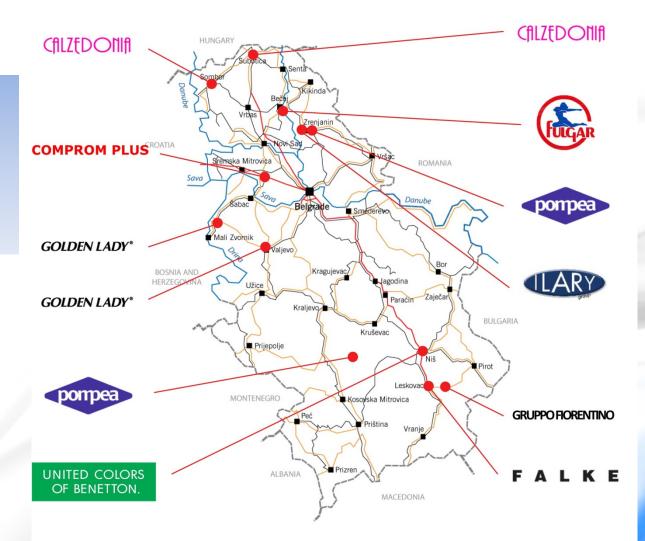




## **TOP INVESTMENT SECTORS - CLOTHING**

#### Largest Investors in Clothing Industry

- One of Serbia's top exporting sectors,
- Abundant supply of experienced labor,
- Salaries in Serbia provide for cost effective production,
- Available brownfield locations.



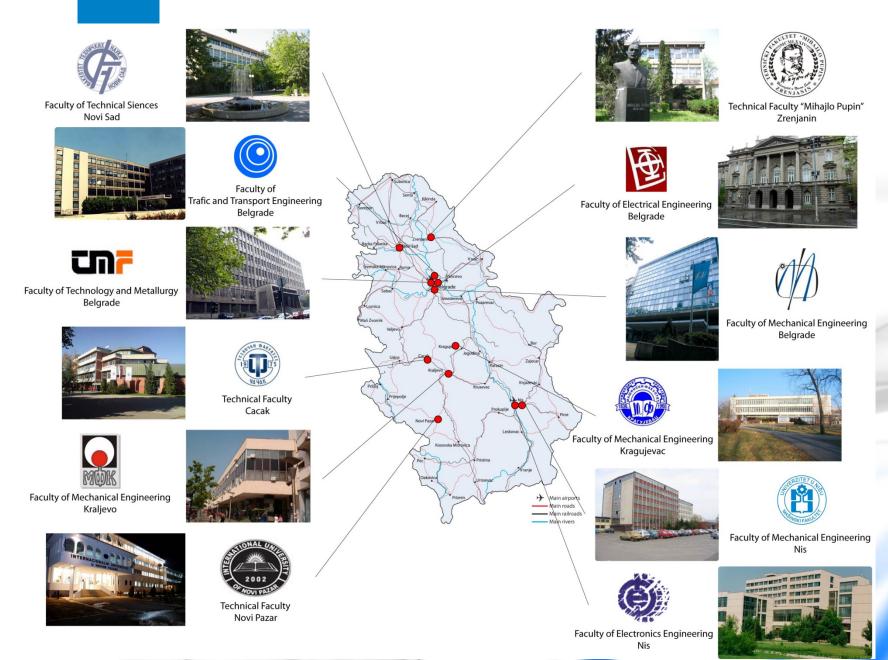
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## **TOP INVESTMENT SECTORS - ELECTRONICS**

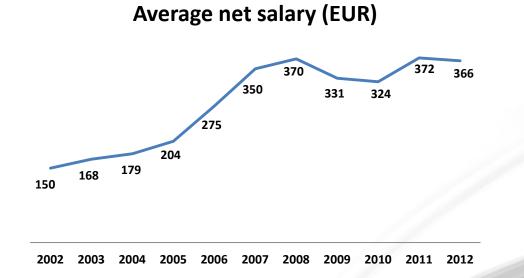
**Largest Investors in Electronics Industry** SIEMENS dunkermotoren Zrenjanin CROATIA gorenje FAT•N Belgrade Smec **Panasonic** Mali Zvornik Jalievo ROSNIA Kraguieva 5 VINA Užice agodina gorenje Zaie Paraćin Kraljevo BULGARI/ Kruševac Prijepolje Niš gorenje Pirot Leskovad TENEGRO Kosovska Mitrovica **SHINWON** Prizre ALBANIA MACEDONIA gruner

- One of sectors of strategic importance for Serbia,
- A sector with long tradition but only recently re-developed by entry of brands as Siemens, Eaton, Panasonic and Gorenje,
- State is investing in development of innovation technical parks,
- Strong university centers in Belgrade, Nis and Novi Sad.

#### **TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTERS IN SERBIA**



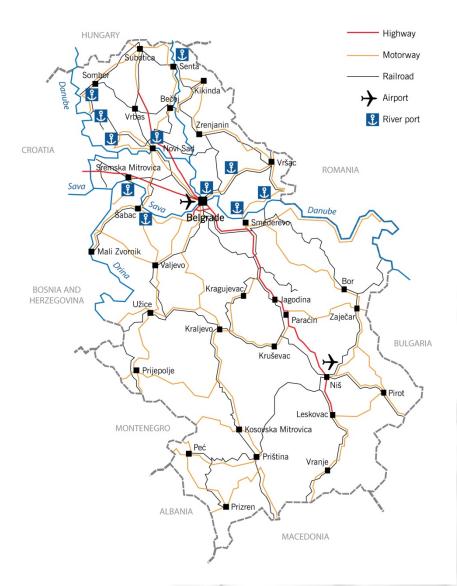


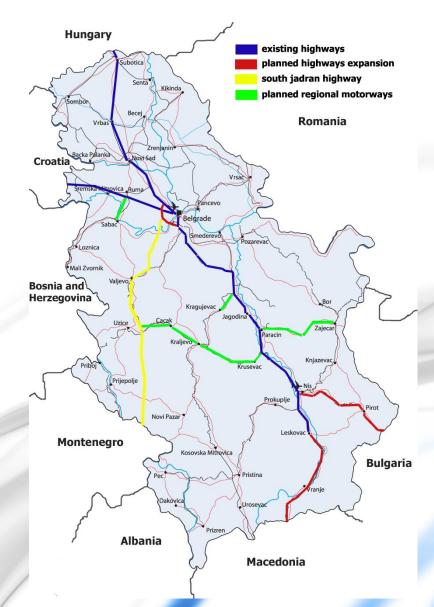


Typical monthly salaries:	Net:	Total:			
Minimal salary:	184€	303€			
Average blue collar salary	250€	412.5€			
Average white collar salary	550€	907.5€			
Working week:	40h				
Overtime:	8h/week 4h/day				
No. of shifts:	max 3				
Utilities:					
Electricity cost:	0.05 €/kWh				
Gas cost:	0.42 €/m3				
Water cost:	0.2 €/m3				
Building:					
Average rent cost:	5 €/sqm				
Average building cost:	400 €/sqm				



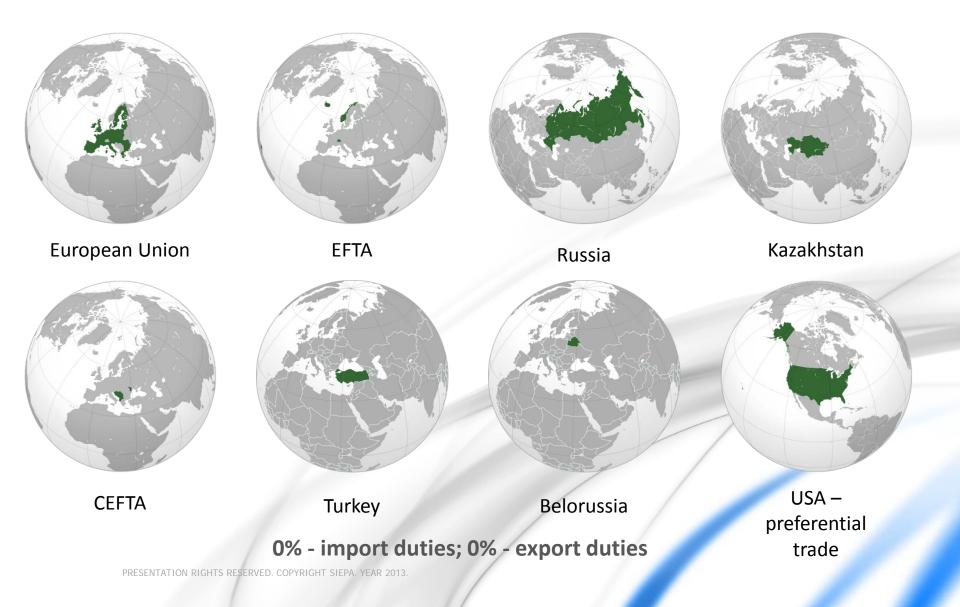
#### **DEVELOPMENT OF ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE**



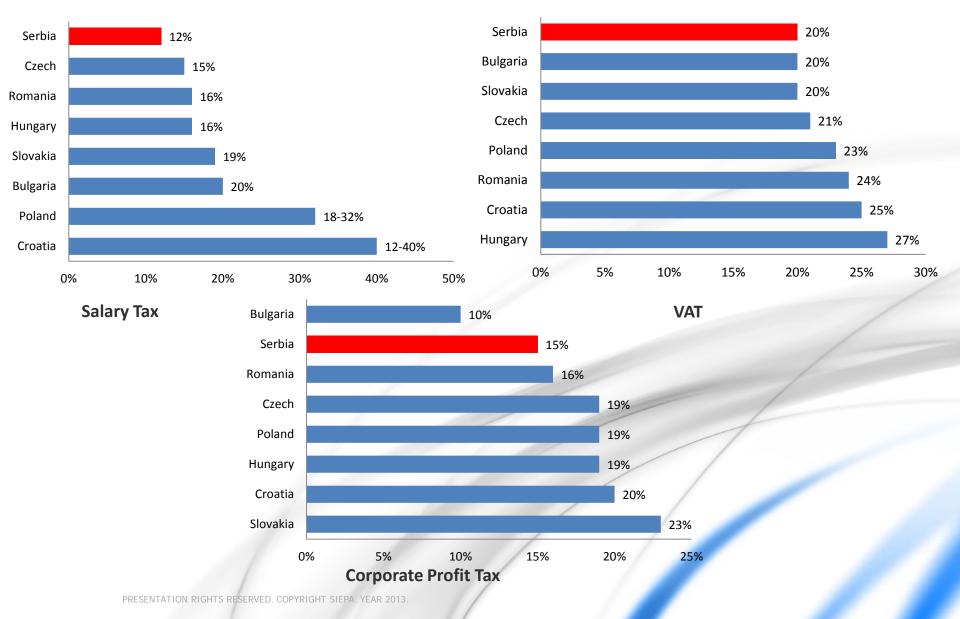




#### SERBIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS



#### **MOST ATTRACTIVE TAX SYSTEM IN EUROPE**





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Tax:	Rate:	Recurrence:	Possible incentive:
Corporate Profit Tax	15%	yearly	10 year holiday (investments over 8.8 million euro and 200 new jobs) or 20% or 40% of investment value as tax credit
Withholding Tax (for dividend, shares in profits, royalties, interest income, capital gains, lease payments for real estate and other assets)	20%	yearly	lower rate of 10% or 5% according to double taxation agreement
VAT	20% - standard	monthly	import VAT return
	8% - lower rate		import VAT exempt in free trade zones
Property Tax	up to 0.4%	yearly	varies by municipality
Absolute Rights Transfer Tax	2.5% - other property except stocks and bonds	at purchase of property	
Salary Tax	12%	monthly	<ul><li>3 - year holiday for hiring apprentices</li><li>2 - year holiday for hiring unemployed workers</li></ul>
Annual Income Tax	10% - for annual salaries between 3 and 6 x average 15% - over 6 x average salary	yearly	
Pension and disability	11%	monthly	3 - year holiday for hiring apprentices
insurance			2 - year holiday for hiring unemployed workers
Health insurance	6.15%	monthly	<ul><li>3 - year holiday for hiring apprentices</li><li>2 - year holiday for hiring unemployed workers</li></ul>
Unemployment insurance	0.75%	monthly	<ul><li>3 - year holiday for hiring apprentices</li><li>2 - year holiday for hiring unemployed workers</li></ul>



#### **GRANT DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM**

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#### **Requirements:**

1 million EUR investment – standard regions or
0.5 million EUR investment – underdeveloped regions
50 new jobs created
Benefit:

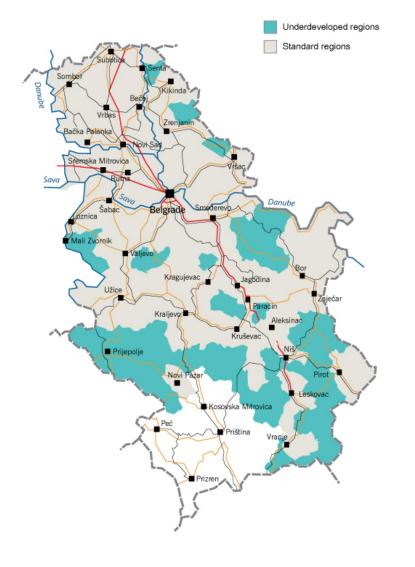
### 4,000 to 10,000 EUR per new job created

## Large-scale projects:

#### **Requirements:**

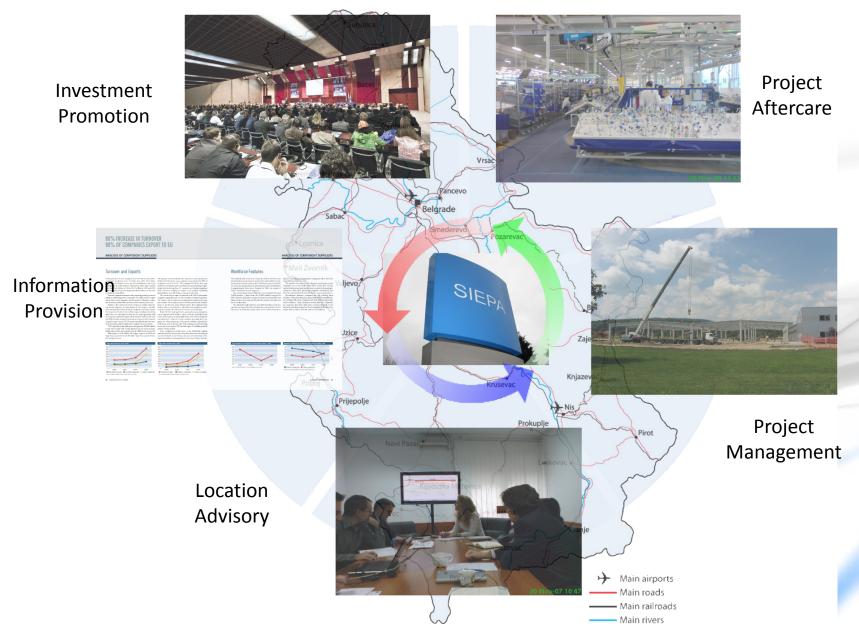
50 million EUR investments – all regions 300 new jobs created Benefit:

grant up to 20% of investment value





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#### SIEPA LOCATIONS DATABASE

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#### The largest database of industrial and service locations in Serbia – <u>www.serbia-locations.rs</u>





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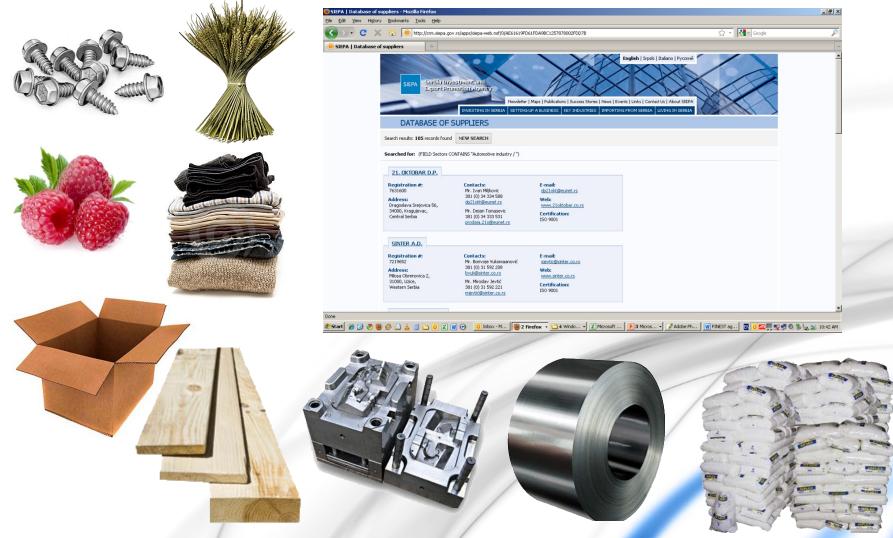




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