

Fact sheet Province of Noord- Brabant, the Netherlands



1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Date of application:** 2013-02-27
- **EER year :** 2014
- **Applicant:** Province of Noord-Brabant
- **Political endorsement:** The application is endorsed by the government of the province of Noord-Brabant (see the enclosed declaration of political commitment) and by several stakeholders (see the enclosed letters of support).
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2. REGIONAL DATA

- NUTS : NL41
- Population: 2.479.184
- Area: population 501/km² -surface 5081,76 ha
- GDP/inhabitant : 85 billion GDP (BRP) 35.000 per capita

3. COMPETENCES / ACTIVITIES / AWARDS IN THE FIELD OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Noord-Brabant is represented in the Committee of the Regions (the Queens Commissioner Van de Donk is head of the national delegation), is member of the AER (Assembly of European Regions) en member of certain specific European networks as CORAL, POLIS, ENCORE and Eurocities. Besides that Noord-Brabant is permanently represented in Brussels.

- The Global Entrepreneurship Week: 2011 'Award 'Country of the Year' presented by the Kauffman foundation in Shanghai.
- ICF award: Eindhoven, smartest region of the world (2012)
- Herman Wijffels Innovationprice 2012: IRWES, company from Eindhoven (MVO)
- Brabant in Top 20 most innovative regions in Europe (European Innovation Scoreboard)
- Eindhoven was awarded the Micro European City of the Future 2010/2011 award (FDI Magazine 2010)