## INTRODUCTION ZWOLLE AREA & REGIONAL INTERNATIONALIZATION PROGRAM

POWERED BY TRADE OFFICE (KENNISPOORT)





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## INTRODUCTION

A short intro-duction

Go4export program Province Overijssel:

- Trade Office is consortium partner for Zwolle Area
- Focus in the presentation on Zwolle area which is similar to other areas (like Twente, Deventer)







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- 1. Covers part of 4 provincies
- 2. 21 municipalities

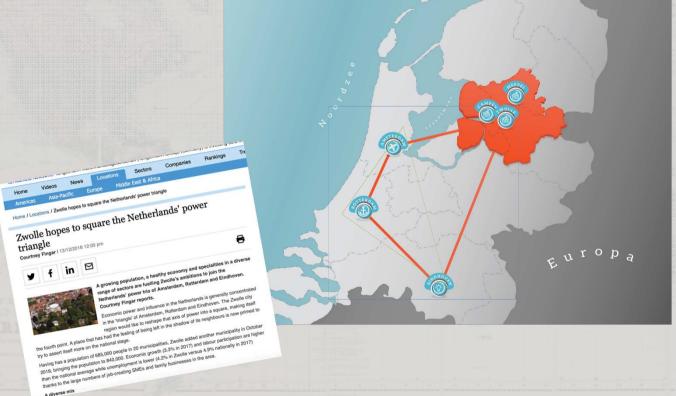






Zwolle
area:
squaring
the Dutch
triangle



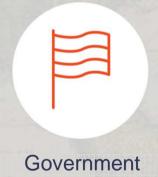


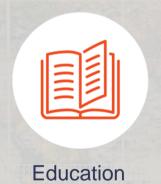


Triple helix model



Economic Board Regio Zwolle













Some regional figures

685.000 Inhabitants

**340.000** jobs

€ 22,8

65% Of the jobs at SME's)

3.3%

Economical growth (2017)





## ECONOMICAL AGENDA ZWOLLE AREA

## Important sectors



PLASTICS (2%)



HEALTH (12%)



(7%)





### ECONOMICAL AGENDA ZWOLLE AREA

Upcoming and/or making regional impact



LEISURE (4%)













## ECONOMICAL AGENDA ZWOLLE AREA

Main regional topics











### INNOVATIVE ECOSYSTEM

ecosystem

Innovative 1 NETWORK ORANIZATION WORKING TOGETHER



PLASTICS



HEALTH







INNOVATION



INTERNATIONALISATION



AGRIFOOD

E-COMMERCE





## TRADE OFFICE - PART OF THE ECOSYSTEM

Internationalisation program







## WHY INTERNATIONALIZATION PROGRAM?

Why?

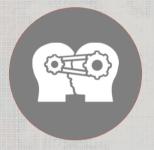
Internationally active SME's contribute to:

- regional economical growth
- increase of jobs
- higher resistance to economical crisis
- stimulation of innovations
- keep talents/students





## NEEDS OF THE SME'S?



KNOWLEDGE /
EXPERTISE



NETWORK



PEOPLE



MONEY



### **OUR MISSION?**

'TRADE OFFICE support and encourage SME's to be more international active. We do this by offering and informing SME'a about the local, regional and national activities and programs (like go4export). We are closely connected to the regional SME's and the linking pin between public organiztions and the SME's'.



### ZWOLLE AREA AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Some figures

58.000 SME's 70% of all SME's have 1 employee

€ 16,5
bln total export
value

2/3
of the total trade
is with EU





## ZWOLLE AREA & INTERNATIONAL TRADE

## Export countries

Country	2011	2017
Germany	19.0 %	21.1 %
United Kingdom	5.3 %	9.2 %
France	4.6 %	6.7 %
Belgium	5.8 %	6.2 %
China	0.7 %	2.1 %
Rest of the world	17.6 %	27.4 %
EU others	16.7 %	24.5 %
Unknown	3,9 %	0.9%
Total value	10.6 bln euro	16.4 bln euro



Source: CBS (reworked by Hogeschool Windesheim, Kenniscentrum Technologie)



## ZWOLLE AREA & INTERNATIONAL TRADE

## Import countries

Country	2011	2017
Germany	25.6 %	30.2 %
United Kingdom	17.4 %	7.5 %
Belgium	9.0 %	6.5 %
China	4.8 %	4.8 %
France	2.9 %	3.4 %
USA	2.8 %	3.2 %
EU others	15.5 %	18.4 %
Rest of the world	13.5 %	16.3 %
Unknown	8.4 %	9.8 %
Total value	5.8 bln euro	9.8 bln euro



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#### TRADE OFFICE - MAIN TASKS

- Stimulate and support regional SME's to increase their international trade
- Develop activities based on the economical agendas of Zwolle area and provincies related (Overijssel, Drenthe, Gelderland, Flevoland) and the needs of the SME's
- Stimulate regional SME's to participate in activities and programs available:
  - National
  - Provincies (eg Go4Export and lk Ben Drents Ondernemer)
  - Region
- Linking pin between public organisations and SME's and active partner of stakeholders in regional ecosystem
- Develop a portal for SME's fulfilling their needs
- Support SME's to develop business via online export
- Close cooperation to consortium partners (outside region), develop joint activities and programs
- Stimulate companies to be/stay attractive to international talents and keep the talents in the region
- Supportive to incoming missions and stimulate where relevant follow-up





### ZWOLLE AREA - INTERNATIONAL APPROACH

Focus on specific areas?

- Stimulate further growth of trade to top 5 export and import countries
- Develop trade to high potential countries or continents
  - Japan
  - India
  - Africa



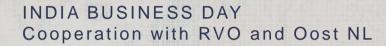


1. Sessions & round tables, events (Themes/Countries)





## Example of an event









GOGEXPORT



- Sessions & round tables, events (Themes/Countries)
   Missions (In/Out)





## Example of a mission

HANSEATIC DAYS ROSTOCK







GOGEXPORT

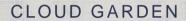


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- Missions (In/Out)
   Coaching (1:1)





## Example of coaching









- 1. Sessions & round tables, events (Themes/Countries)
- 2. Missions (In/Out)
- 3. Coaching (1:1)4. Business Scans





Example of a business scan

ART LIFT

GOGEXPORT









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- 3. Coaching (1:1)
- 4. Business Scans
- 5. Portal





## Portal

- Interactive map
- Ability to monitor SME's on their export/import development/journey
- Reports & monitoring on municipality level
- Plug-in ready







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- 6. Stairs2ambition program





# Stairs 2 ambition program

- Partners: bank, accountancy firm, legal office
- · Duration: 9 months
- 10 SME's
- 1:1 coaching
- Team sessions
- Business scan

GOGEXPORT







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## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION ANY QUESTIONS?



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