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Gradačac

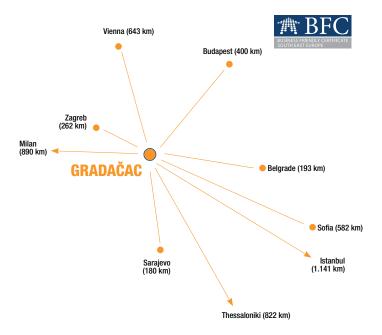
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Location	Bosnia and Herzegovina, 44°52′N 18°25′E
Border Crossings	Croatia (23 km)
Population	39.340
Territory	218 km²; 52% arable land, 23% forests, 25% roads and other
Budget	€ 7,45 million, 39% of capital investments
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The proximity to the regional and European market with more than 500 million people, abundant natural resources, available work force and competitive business conditions are just some of the reasons that make **Gradačac** stand out as an attractive investment location. The municipal administration's strategic commitment is the development of entrepreneurship in the key sectors, with special focus on the export oriented areas with a high share of foreign investments. Year after year, Gradačac has been recording continuous growth of business activity, through partnerships between the local and foreign investors, and the city has a particularly long business tradition in the processing industry (metal, wood, textile, and food), construction, trade and services. There are 4 business zones available for potential investors, enabling both brownfield and greenfield investments. The agricultural land suitable for growing fruits, vegetables and cattle breeding has made Gradačac a leader in the production of plums, apples, pears, cherries and cow milk. As one of the biggest production and trade centers in BiH, offering qualified, avialable and cost-competitive work force, Gradačac has welcomed a variety of domestic and foreign investors especially in food (Dukat, Mljekara Inmer, MI99) and metal processing industry (Wagner, TMD group, CIMOS).











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HUMAN RESOURCES

Total work force: 14.779, unemployment rate: 43,30% Average gross salary: € 476 per month Education: 6,10% college or university degree; 47,00% high school; 46,9% elementary and lower

Schools and faculties: University in Tuzla, Faculty of Economics in Brčko, gymnasium, vocational and technical secondary schools in Gradačac

LOCAL ECONOMY

Number of businesses: 891 companies, 1.232 entrepreneurs Size of businesses: 52% small, 47% middle-sized, 1% large Dominant industries: Metal, food processing, textile and wood processing industry Major foreign investors: Lactalis (milk industry, France)

TRAFFIC CONNECTIONS

Highways: Indirect access to E 70 via border crossing Šamac – distance 30 km and to Corridor Vc via main roads M14.1 and M 17 – distance 146 km

Main roads: Access to regional roads R301, R302, R351, R352 and main roads M209, M113, M208, M1.9

Railroad lines: Indirect acces to railroad line via Modriča – distance 16 km Ports: Distance from port Ploče 348 km

Airports: Distance from international airport in Tuzla 70 km

INDUSTRIAL ZONE GRADAČAC

Size, purpose and ownership	101 ha (42,7 ha for greenfield investments), construction/industrial use, 77% private and 23% public
Location	Distance from city center 2 km, next to main road M1.9
Infrastructure	Access road, water, sewage, high voltage electricity, telecommunication
Price and type of acquisition	10 € / m², purchase
Local incentives	Convenient price of construction land and communal incentives

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