# **BUSINESS FRIENDLY MUNICIPALITY SOUTH EAST EUROPE**

# Grubišno Polje



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Location Croatia, 45°42′N 17°10′E

Border Crossings Hungary (44 km), Bosnia and Herzegovina (92 km)

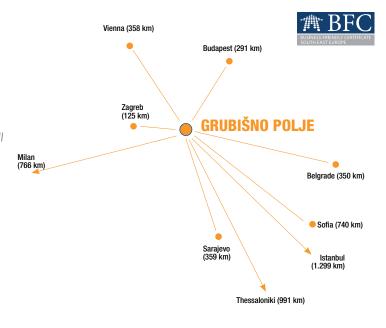
Population 6.478

Territory 269 km²; 31,6% arable land, 41,6% forests, 26,8% roads and other

Budget € 3,46 million, 16,61% of capital investments

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The City of **Grubišno Polje** is located in the northeast part of the Bjelovarsko – Bilogorska County, on the slopes of Bilogora mountain. Its economic development is based on the efforts towards strengthening competitiveness, improving the social and utility infrastructure, raising the quality of life, human resources development and the improvement of demographic trends. The city established its business zone in 2002 and following two expansions, the zone now covers 72.29 hectares, intended for small and medium enterprises. The zone has 27 SME parcels, of which 13 are occupied (21.73 ha) by 10 entrepreneurs operating in metal, stone, asphalt, firewood industry, energy and waste management, and others. The remaining parcels are currently available for sale. The developed utility infrastructure includes the water supply system, drainage system, gasification system, electrical supply, waste disposal. For investors engaged in production activities and giving priority to local population in the employment process, the city offers concrete support measures aimed at creating favorable conditions within its SME Zone, including the low price of land, possibility of using cheaper thermal energy, and 100% exemption from the municipal contributions.



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### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Total work force: 4.280, unemployment rate: 11,24%

Average gross salary: € 1.080 per month

Education: 9,5% college or university degree; 55,8% high school; 34,6% elementary and lower

Schools and faculties: Faculties and high schools in Bjelovar, Virovitica, Daruvar, high school and elementary in Grubišno Polje



Number of businesses: 61 companies, 46 entrepreneurs

Size of businesses: 98% small, 2% middle-sized

Dominant industries: Agricultural production, production of electric energy, food indu-

stry, wood processing industry

Major foreign investors: Akuo Energy d.o.o. (production of electric energy, France)

### TRAFFIC CONNECTIONS

Highways: Indirect access to E70 via D45 – distance 47 km

Main roads: D5 (Terezino Polje – Virovitica – Grubišno Polje – Okučani – Stara Gradiška)

Railroad lines: Indirect access via Virovitica – distance 29 km

Ports: Distance from river port in Sisak – 87 km and sea port in Rijeka – 283 km

Airports: Distance from international airport in Zagreb – 120 km



## SME BUSINESS ZONE GRUBIŠNO POLJE

Size, purpose and ownership 398.691 m², production and service purpose, 100% public ownership

**Location** 1 km from city center and main road D5

Infrastructure Access road, water, sewerage, high voltage electricity, gas, telecommunication

Price and type of acquisition 5,16 €/m², with the city subvention final price for purchase is 0,27 €/m²

Local incentives 100% exemption from payment of municipal contribution