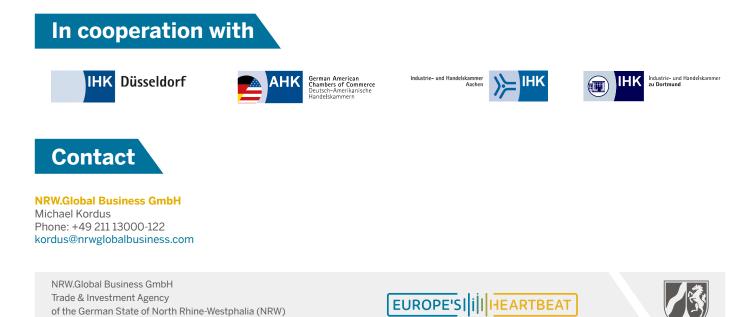


# North Rhine-Westphalia – Dynamic business location and startup hub in the center of Europe

North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) is located in the heart of Europe and with 17.9 million inhabitants and it is the most populous and the most densely populated of the 16 federal states of Germany. Roughly 160 million people live within a radius of approx. 500 kilometers around the state capital Düsseldorf. NRW has one of the most dynamic startup scenes in Germany. Many startups from the ICT, biotechnology, pharma-ceutical, cleantech and energy sectors are among the best and most innovative companies in the world. NRW offers a perfect combination of highly efficient and creative startups on the one hand, and a strong industrial base with well-established corporates on the other hand, being possible customers, partners or investors for startups. Around 70 universities in NRW ensure that many excellent skilled employees are available. Currently, there are more than 768,000 students in NRW. In addition more than 60 technology centers and incubators build bridges towards universities, serve as incubators for young startups and entrepreneurs and thus ensure the optimal development and implementation of new ideas. NRW has a broad network of 16 chambers of industry and commerce that advise startups during their business formation phase and beyond.

This year's digital business mission to New York is a project within the framework of NRW.Global Business; it is lead-managed by the Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Düsseldorf and financed by the NRW Ministry of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy.



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