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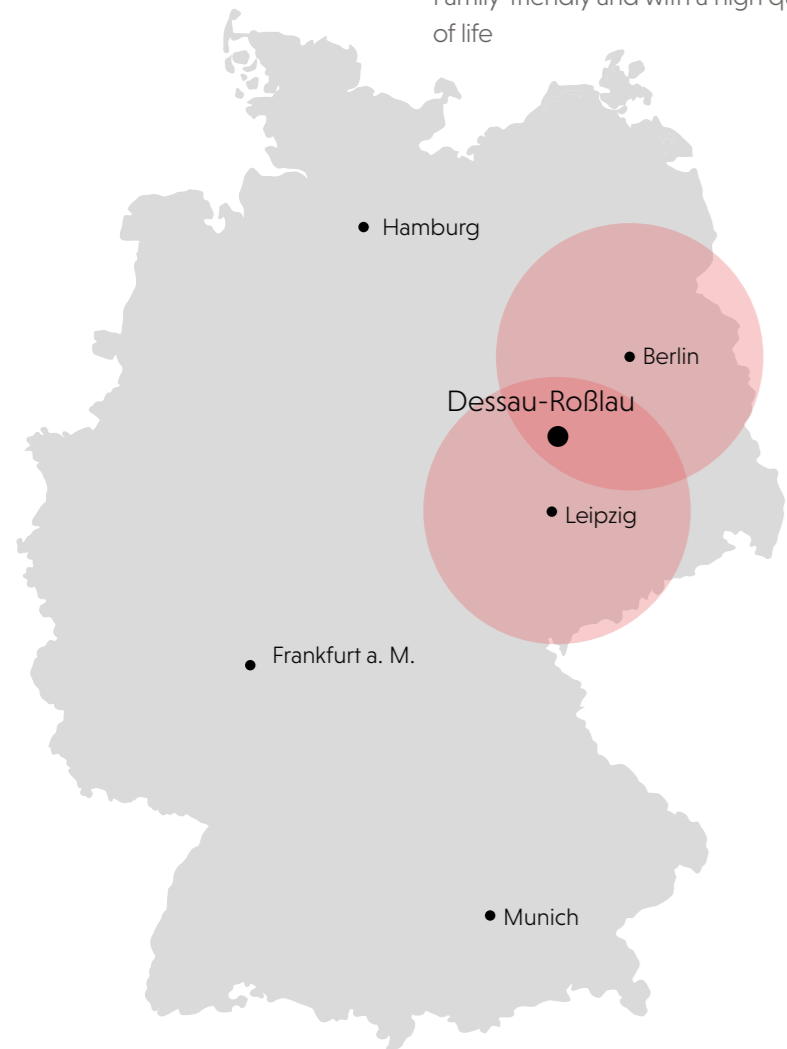
# The Regional Centre Dessau-Roßlau at a Glance

## General Information

Population: approx. 80,000  
 Cadastral area: 245 km<sup>2</sup>  
 Commercial and industrial areas available

## Location

European Metropolitan Region  
 Central Germany,  
 Central location,  
 Centre of scientific research,  
 Access to highly skilled personnel,  
 Varied cultural and leisure programmes,  
 Family-friendly and with a high quality of life



| Travel directions |  |
|-------------------|--|
|                   | Leipzig/Halle Airport 50 km  |
|                   | A9 Motorway<br>Federal roads B 184, B 185, B 187<br>direct access              |
|                   | Dessau Central Station<br>with connections to regional trains<br>direct access |
|                   | Dessau Commercial Airfield<br>direct access                                    |
|                   | Industrial Port Roßlau<br>direct access  |

**1 BioPharmaPark Dessau**  
 Size of area: 90 ha  
 IDT Biologika GmbH  
 Merz Pharma GmbH & Co. KGaA  
 Oncotec Pharma Produktion GmbH

**2 Wagner Tuning GmbH & Co. KG**

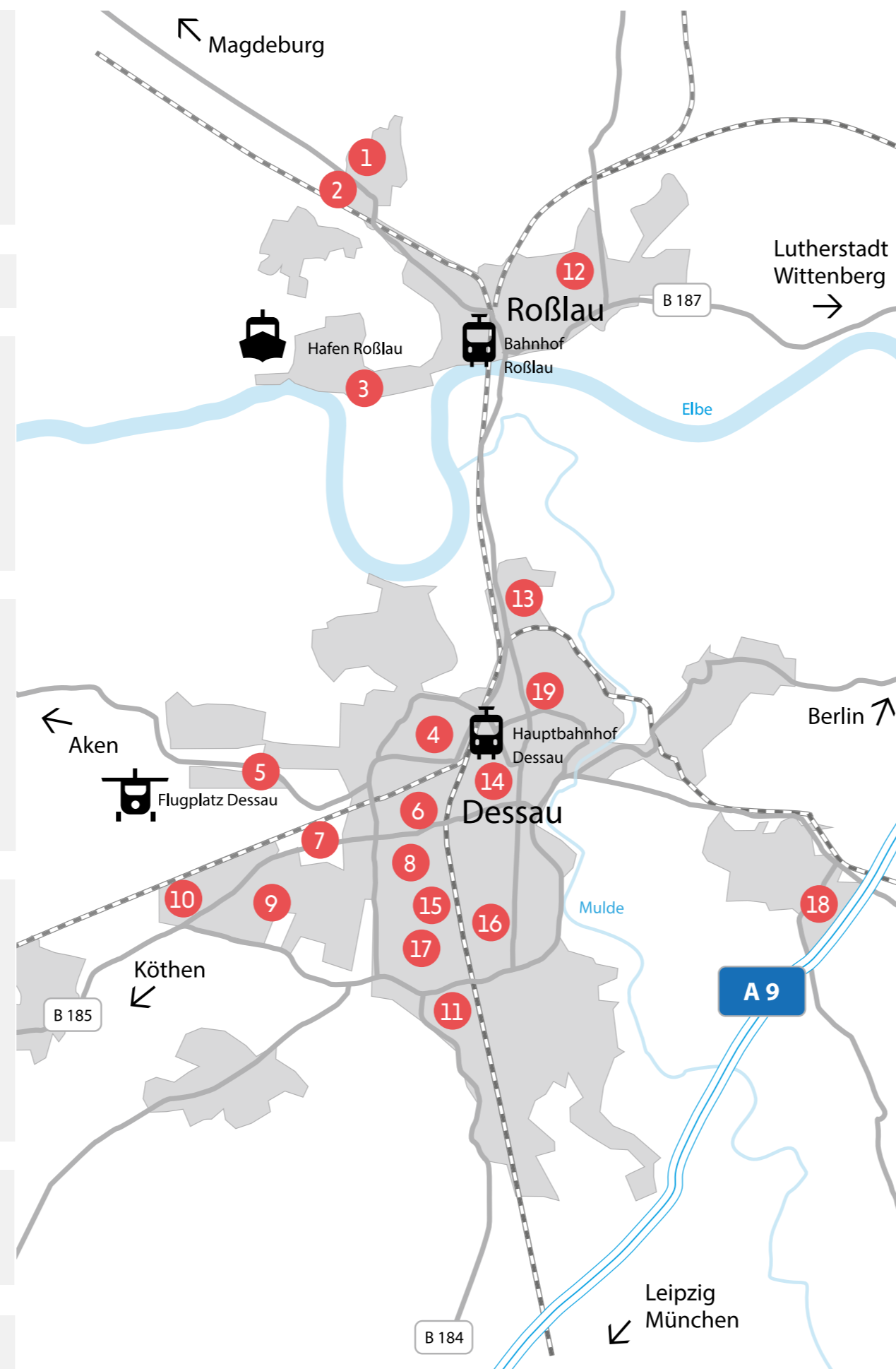
**3 Tri-modal Logistics Centre Dessau-Roßlau**  
 Size of area: 100 ha  
 Industriehafen Roßlau GmbH  
 Roßlauer Schiffswerft GmbH & Co. KG  
 DHW Deutsche Hydrierwerke GmbH

**4 Anhalt University of Applied Sciences and Bauhaus Technology and Start-up Centre Dessau-Roßlau (TGZ)**  
 Lieblingsköder GmbH  
 techcos engineering GmbH  
 Hörmann Vehicle Engineering GmbH

**5 Industrial and Commercial Area "Dessau Airfield"**  
 Size of area: 160 ha  
 Dessauer Schaltschrank- und Gehäusetechnik GmbH  
 Saxon Junkalor GmbH  
 Massivmoebel24 GmbH

**6 Goldbach Kirchner raumconcepte Dessau GmbH**  
 Thyrolf & Uhle GmbH

**7 Burchard Führer GmbH**



**8 Commercial Area "Am Junkerswerk"**  
 Size of area: 6 ha  
 Vetter Möbelbau GmbH  
 Hufcor Deutschland GmbH

**9 Städtisches Klinikum Dessau**

**10 Octapharma Dessau GmbH**

**11 DB Fahrzeuginstandhaltung GmbH**

**12 WTZ Roßlau gGmbH**

**13 iTecs GmbH & Co. KG**  
 Gedack Rohrsysteme GmbH  
 Dessauer Versorgungs- und Verkehrsgesellschaft mbH - DVV-Stadtwerke

**14 Railistics GmbH**

**15 Saperatec GmbH**

**16 AEM-Anhaltische Elektromotorenwerk Dessau GmbH**  
 GTD Getriebetechnik Dessau GmbH

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 Trennwand Bau Dessau GmbH  
 Tamesis Design GmbH

**19 19 Umweltbundesamt**

„The Modern is our Tradition“



Dr. Robert Reck, Mayor of Dessau-Roßlau

The current slogan of Dessau-Roßlau as a business location is both a guiding principle and a central message: hardly any other city in Germany has had to undergo so many processes of structural change and yet has preserved the best of every development epoch.

Under the Anhalt city fathers, the former royal and residential city developed into the centre of the Enlightenment as well as the industrial centre of Central Germany. Since the establishment of the Bauhaus from 1925 to 1932 under Walter Gropius, Dessau has been regarded as the „cradle of modernism“ in architecture and design. And as the birthplace of modern aviation and the location of the world-famous Junkers-Werke, the entire region has always set impulses in business, science and society that have changed the world. Even today, the entrepreneurial activities of our city - from classic metal construction and versatile railway technology to the biopharmaceutical top cluster - bear witness to radiance and innovative performance.

The central location in the European Metropolitan Region Central Germany and on the Elbe and Mulde rivers, direct motorway connections, a tri-modal logistics centre and its own transport hub add numerous logistical plus points and positive location factors to the entrepreneurial diversity of industries.

Under the motto „The Modern is our Tradition“, Dessau-Roßlau combines economic power with promising developments and creative urban design processes in order to be optimally prepared for future economic and social adaptation processes. Companies, investors and skilled workers are therefore cordially invited to help shape this extraordinary business location: Welcome to Dessau-Roßlau!

Yours cordially,

Dr. Robert Reck  
 Mayor of the City of Dessau-Roßlau





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## Dessau-Roßlau

# Changing the World, Starting in Dessau-Roßlau

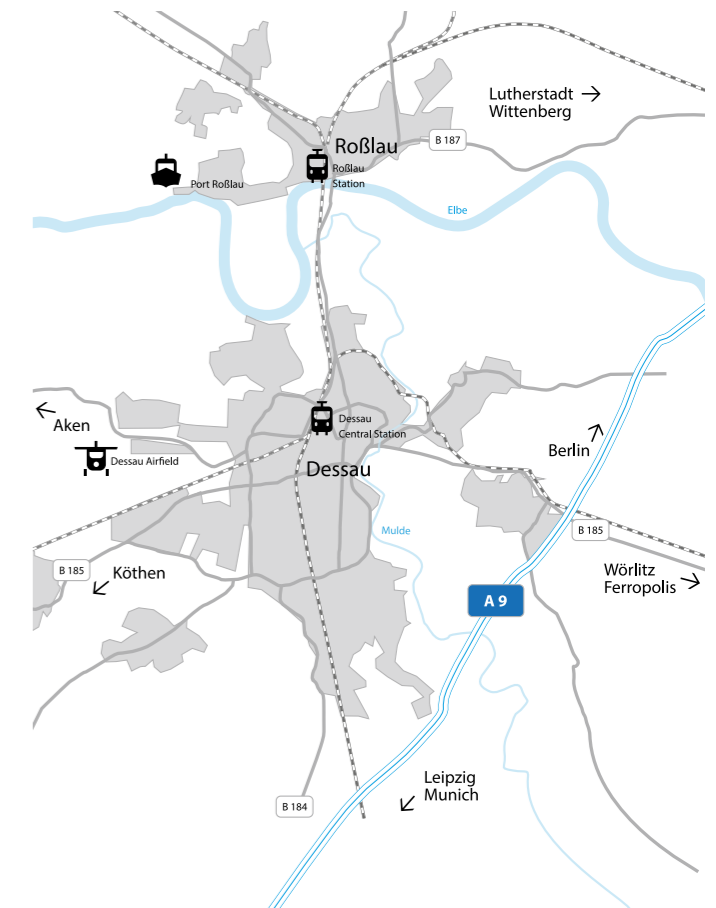
To this day, the ideas of the Enlightenment, which spread out from Dessau-Roßlau into the world, can be traced in the palaces and parks of the Dessau-Wörlitz Garden Kingdom. Modernism, which forever changed the understanding of architecture, design, and art, originated from the Bauhaus Dessau. And it was from here that Professor Hugo Junkers sent his all-metal aircrafts into the air.

Today, Dessau-Roßlau is a hub for businesses and services in a vibrant region with a unique identity, and it is an integral part of the European Metropolitan Region Central Germany. 80,188 people live in the third largest city of Saxony-Anhalt, one of the three regional centres of the state alongside Magdeburg and Halle.

Dessau-Roßlau is well integrated into a network of motorways and federal highways and comprehensively connected to the German railway network. The river Elbe connects the independent city with the international ports of Hamburg and Rotterdam, and the intercontinental Leipzig/Halle airport is just a thirty-minute drive away.

The fully developed industrial and commercial areas offer plenty of space for new ideas. Thanks to a variety of educational and training facilities, the established business location also guarantees access to specialised professionals who can make these ideas a reality.

Low cost of living, an optimal urban infrastructure, excellent childcare facilities, and an exceptional mix of cultural



events – all of this turns Dessau-Roßlau into a family-friendly place worth living in with promising prospects. Be it learning, working, living, or investing – the possibilities in Dessau-Roßlau are almost limitless. Why not see for yourself?

**Training and education facilities → Family friendliness → Investment support → Support for start-ups → Promotion of young professionals → Network partners → Excellent commercial areas → World heritage value → Welcoming culture → Business service → Future-oriented sectors**





## Business Location with a Mix of Sectors

# Success in Good Company

**Did you know that the first Opel was made in Dessau? Friedrich Lutzmann built it here. In 1899, the Opel brothers took over his Anhaltische Motorwagenfabrik and made him the director of the Opel vehicle plants. He developed the Opel Patent Motor Car "System Lutzmann" in Dessau.**

With its extremely wide variety of sectors in highly developed clusters, Dessau-Roßlau offers ideal conditions for promising innovations. Be it research and development, sector-specific service providers and suppliers, or logistics partners – the region's high degree of industrialisation guarantees productive synergies and new impulses.

Both up-and-coming and long-established companies in the fields of pharmaceuticals, vehicle construction, metal processing, and machine and plant engineering characterise the city's business life. A large number of medium-sized and small crafts businesses and service providers – from engineering offices to event technicians, from family-owned furniture manufacturers to online start-ups – benefit from the outstanding local conditions. The health sector, too, has been developing enormous potential for years.

However, Dessau-Roßlau is not only attractive for entrepreneurs. Various federal and state authorities are located here as well. Since 2005 the Federal Environment Agency has been headquartered in Dessau-Roßlau. In the energy-efficient new building in the former Dessau Gas Quarter, almost 1,000

employees monitor and assess the state of the environment, and provide consulting and information. Especially for investors from the fields of environmental and climate protection, sustainability and recycling management, energy, and transport, this proximity to the federal agency represents a significant locational advantage. In addition, both the State Constitutional Court and the Regional and Local Courts are based in the city and together form the "Justice Centre Anhalt."

For entrepreneurs, too, Dessau-Roßlau has a lot to offer: There are various start-up incubators and support institutions in the city, offering an ideal environment to develop business ideas. The VorOrt-House is a creative centre and a co-working space at the same time and forms a nucleus of the creative industry with trans-regional potential.

Creativity, inventiveness, and energy define everyday life in Dessau-Roßlau. Use the advantages of established and effective networks for the successful development of your company!

**Employees subject to social insurance approx. 33,400 – Commuters approx. 13,000 – Outward-bound Commuters approx. 10,000 – Qualification rate > 90 % – Positive trade registration balance – Purchasing power index > 89 – Point of sale turnover index > 115 – Retail centrality > 115**



# Innovation since 1921

At BioPharmaPark Dessau, a state-of-the-art integrated biopharmaceutical site of the highest standard has been created. It is one of the so called Centers of Excellence of Saxony-Anhalt. Based on pioneering technologies and high competencies, the IDT Biologika GmbH located on the site assists its customers in developing and producing novel vaccines and biologicals that are used worldwide to combat diseases. Approximately 1,600 people work at the site of Dessau-Roßlau, making the innovative biotech company one of the largest manufacturing companies and an important employer in Saxony-Anhalt. With the opening of a new multifunctional vaccine production site, the company has set another milestone as an important partner in a promising growth market, which makes it an employer of the future.



For the future, Merz Pharma GmbH & Co. KGaA is planning to focus on aesthetics and neurotoxins. Already since 2008, the company has been relying on the optimal conditions at the BioPharmaPark Dessau and is continually expanding its presence there. At the end of 2019, Merz added a production line for dermal fillers (skin fillers) to the range of products manufactured in Dessau-Roßlau and opened a new production facility.

Oncotec Pharma Produktion GmbH is located in the immediate vicinity. The company is a reliable partner in the production and development of aseptically produced cytostatic drugs, that is, substances that inhibit cell proliferation. It offers a full service for the entire value chain: from development to market launch and commercial production. Named "Employer of the Future" in 2019, the company put its fully automated syringe screening system into operation in September 2019.

Octapharma Dessau GmbH is part of a globally operating pharmaceutical company that specializes in developing and manufacturing products based on human plasma and provides medicines for patients with life-threatening diseases in the fields of immunology, haemophilia, and intensive care medicine. The facility in Dessau is responsible for the packaging, visual inspection, and worldwide distribution of Octapharma products. The production and logistics centre was built in 2009 and, with its automatic and semi-automatic packaging lines, resembles an aircraft hangar – a tribute to Professor Hugo Junkers.

**"Thanks to extensive investments, the location in Dessau is becoming increasingly important, thus continuing the tradition of a region in the centre of Saxony-Anhalt in which innovative pharmaceutical companies have been at home for decades."**

**Thoralf Petzold**

Managing Director, Octapharma Dessau GmbH



# A Force of Attraction for all of Europe

In 1895, the first gas-powered trams were constructed, signalling the beginning of the era of the famous Dessau wagon manufacturing. To this day, vehicle technology and maintenance are among the city's most important industrial sectors. At the traditional site of today's Waggonbau Dessau industrial park alone, around 20 vehicle manufacturing and maintenance companies have found a permanent home, as did the Stadtwerke Dessau, the municipal utilities.



For 30 years Gedack Rohrsysteme GmbH has been developing and manufacturing adjustable piping systems for drive systems such as exhaust systems, cooling systems, or other systems for the international market of rail and construction vehicles.

The company Wagner Tuning GmbH & Co. KG, a global market leader for high-performance intercoolers, also operates from Dessau-Roßlau. Its corporate headquarters and an associated development centre are located here. The company develops and produces intercoolers for more than 3,000 dealers in over 40 countries. The products "Made in Dessau-Roßlau" serve to increase the performance of vehicle engines and to improve their efficiency – on the road and on the race track.

The company DB Fahrzeuginstandhaltung GmbH is one of Europe's largest maintenance companies for rail vehicles and their components. With its 1,500 employees, the site in Dessau is one of the best-performing locations in this network and is equipped with the most advanced testing centre for electric locomotives in Europe. Here it is possible to switch between all four European power systems. Furthermore, DB Fahrzeuginstandhaltung (vehicle maintenance) is one of many partners in the „Trains“ network. The aim of this alliance is to develop innovative and sustainable drive technologies for rail transport systems. Because of its enormous potential for the world market, "Trains" is also funded by the Federal Government.

**"With our future-oriented maintenance of electrically powered rail vehicles, we contribute from Dessau-Roßlau to the mobility turnaround and the achievement of climate targets."**

**Leif Eisenheim**

Plant Manager of DB Fahrzeuginstandhaltung GmbH, Dessau depot





# Taking Tradition into the Future

AEM-Anhaltische Elektromotorenwerk Dessau GmbH specializes in the client-specific development and production of generators for hydropower and shipbuilding as well as motors for mining machines, hoisting machines, construction machinery, and test rigs. Development, production, assembly, and inspection on the company's own testing field: All of the individual production steps take place exclusively in Dessau-Roßlau. In order to meet increasing demands, production has been continuously expanded in recent years and extensively modernised between 2006 and 2012. The cruise liner MS Deutschland, on tour until 2015 as "Traumschiff" for ZDF, a major German public-service TV broadcaster, was supplied with power by two AEM generators.



The Dessauer Schaltschrank- und Gehäusetechnik GmbH, part of the listed Indus Holding AG, wins over its customers with individual product design of enclosure solutions specific to applications and equipment, such as solutions in rail vehicle construction, machine enclosures for mechanical engineering, for renewable energy systems, even bicycle garages or street furniture. The origins of the company date back to the Junkerswerke.

GTD Getriebetechnik Dessau GmbH is one of the leading suppliers for the development, design, and production of large-scale and special-purpose gear sets, which are installed in industrial plants, in conveyor systems, and in the marine industry. Owing to a particularly careful manufacturing process, they are able to permanently withstand the harshest conditions.

**"We have our roots here and want to further develop the potential that exists here."**

**Dipl.-Ing. Reiner Storch und  
Dipl.-Wirt.-Inf. Tino Storch**

Managing Directors, AEM-Anhaltische Elektromotorenwerk Dessau GmbH



# Dessau-Roßlau: Centre of Medical Excellence

23 clinics, 800 beds and 2,000 employees who work around the clock for the well-being of about 37,000 inpatients and 70,000 outpatients per year: The Municipal Hospital offers - even more so after the merger with the Deaconess Hospital at the beginning of 2021 - almost all specialisations of medicine and is the third largest medical location in Saxony-Anhalt. As an academic teaching hospital with university departments of the Brandenburg Medical School and an integrated nursing school, the Dessau Municipal Hospital actively supports medical research, teaching and training. Modern functional wings, operating theatres and its own hotel ward create optimal conditions. A total of 14 centres, such as the geriatric trauma centre, the skin cancer centre and the oncology centre, ensure interdisciplinary treatment.



Closely linked to the hospital is the Medical Care Centre (MVZ). With around 50 doctor's seats and 21 specialties in 9 locations, the MVZ is not only an important pillar for outpatient care in the region, but also one of the largest in Saxony-Anhalt.

The St. Joseph Hospital Dessau is a health centre for psychiatry, psychotherapy and psychosomatics. It is one of the facilities of the Alexianer Sachsen-Anhalt GmbH.

Burchard Führer GmbH is a constantly growing investor in the field of geriatric care. In addition to several hotels, holiday rentals, restaurants, and outpatient care services, the company owns more than 40 inpatient care facilities for senior citizens and people with disabilities in Germany. Founded in 1991 and headquartered in Dessau-Roßlau, the company now has over 3,500 employees in 10 federal states and is one of the leading private care providers in Germany.



**"In Dessau-Roßlau, we provide public health services on a transregional level. As network partners, we participate in national and international scientific research. As one of the largest employers and training facilities in the region, we value and promote the advantages of the location in order to attract and retain specialised personnel and cooperation partners."**

**Dr. med. Joachim Zagrodnick**  
Medical Director, Städtisches Klinikum Dessau



# From Dessau-Roßlau to the Rest of the World

The core competence of Roßlauer Schiffswerft GmbH & Co. KG is the manufacturing and assembly of steel bridges of all types. In addition to this, the long-established company produces components for cranes, for off-shore plants, and special components for ship and yacht building.

A total of 150 employees at the company Thyrolf & Uhle process 12,000 tons of steel annually into precise metal components for customers from different industrial sectors, such as plant engineering, wind energy, mechanical engineering, and construction.



Whether small series or large-volume parts: Thanks to modern production techniques and standardised, certified work processes, even short-term orders can be realised on schedule and according to the highest quality standards.

The companies of the metal processing industry have had a lasting influence on the industrial development of Dessau-Roßlau. Many of these companies have made industrial history. To this day, the sector is extremely vital and absolutely future-proof.

**"In addition to the constant improvement of our work, we have also set ourselves the goal of qualifying people from the region and getting them into long-term employment. Thus, training the next generation on site has become an integral part of our corporate philosophy."**

**Peter Talaska**

Managing Director, Roßlauer Schiffswerft GmbH & Co. KG



# Efficiency and Sustainability

2,6 million! That's how many people can be reached from Dessau-Roßlau in just one hour. The excellent connections to various traffic routes and the proximity to national and international distribution centres of the Central Germany logistics hub offer the best conditions for resident companies in the sector – and great potential for new settlements of this branch of industry.



The industrial port of Roßlau is one of the most important inland ports in Saxony-Anhalt. It markets its trimodal port services together with Sächsische Binnenhäfen Oberelbe GmbH. The advantage is quite obvious: easy access to six ports via one partner only. In addition to traditional cargo handling, the port association offers full logistical services in container and cargo transport and in the processing of oversized and heavy-load transporters.

Reliability, efficiency, sustainability – a triad that clearly speaks for Gress + Zapp GmbH. As part of the Gress Group, the company is one of the leading suppliers in the sectors of transport logistics and commercial vehicle service. At the company's headquarters in the commercial area Dessau-Ost, Gress + Zapp has also implemented an innovative energy system including movable sun sails.

Park Your Truck GmbH was founded in 2013. Today, it is the largest truck parking lot operator in Europe, offering 20,000 parking lots. Prospectively, in the future, the company will be offering more charging stations for commercial vehicles.

Paul Schockemöhle Logistics Dessau GmbH is located in the commercial area Dessau-Mitte and develops individual and innovative logistics concepts – from individual services to comprehensive branch solutions. From procurement logistics and warehousing to distribution and spare parts logistics – as part of the Paul Schockemöhle Logistics Group, individual service packages can be developed for every need.

**"For us, Dessau is situated perfectly in the Magdeburg-Berlin-Halle/Leipzig triangle. We are also impressed by the good infrastructure with its proximity to the A 9 motorway and the B 6 federal road. The synergy effects deriving from active networking of Dessau-Roßlau's Business Development, the Industrie- und Handelskammer (Chamber of Commerce and Industry), the Employment Agency, and other authorities are further advantages that we are happy to use."**

**Steffen Lehmann**

Managing Director, Paul Schockemöhle Logistics Dessau GmbH





# In Keeping with Tradition

A creative and design-driven cluster of furniture manufacturers for both individual and series production of the highest quality has developed in Dessau-Roßlau from a long-standing industrial tradition.

With its partition walls, Trennwand Bau Dessau GmbH offers a successful product that is popular both on the domestic market and all over Europe. The Trennwand Group Dessau, consisting of various independent companies, now develops and produces individual interior designs, glass products, panelling, and furniture. For the installation of 66 luxury toilet cubicles in the "MyZeil" shopping centre in Frankfurt am Main, the Dessau-based partition wall manufacturers were awarded the title of "Manufactured Product of the Year" in the "Customising" category by the Verband Deutsche Manufakturen e. V. (Association of German Manufacturers) in 2019.



Goldbach Kirchner raumconcepte GmbH specializes in partition wall systems, room-in-room solutions, individual interior design, and serial furniture production. At its production site in Dessau-Roßlau, the company runs one of the most modern "industry 4.0" factories in the furniture industry.

For 100 years and now in its fourth generation, Vetter Möbelbau GmbH in Dessau-Roßlau has been designing and manufacturing high-quality furniture for private and commercial properties.

Hufcor Deutschland GmbH is a subsidiary of Hufcor Inc., Janesville USA. Since 1997, movable partition wall systems of the highest quality and with the best design have been developed and manufactured in Dessau for the European market. Hufcor is more than just a manufacturer: The company provides its customers with reliable and professional support and accompanies them in the realisation of their projects, from the initial idea to the implementation and maintenance of modern partition wall solutions. This gives customers the freedom to divide rooms according to their respective needs.

**"Both our company and the location Dessau-Roßlau stand for traditional expertise and individual solutions for the future."**

**Frank und Henning Vetter**  
Managing Directors, Vetter Möbelbau GmbH



# Following in the Footsteps of the Bauhaus

Within sight of the Bauhaus Dessau, the Anhalt University of Applied Sciences offers study programmes for young designers and architects. This fuels the city's creative scene and creates ideal conditions for the region's creative economy to evolve further. In contrast to the rather crowded metropolises, Dessau-Roßlau also offers sufficient space for experimentation and free design.



Student projects, vacant buildings, passionate people: if these three meet, a creative space emerges. For example, the VorOrt e. V. association, which was founded by a student initiative, has found its home in an empty school building in Dessau-Roßlau. The VorOrt-House has trans-regional potential and has become a nucleus of Dessau's creative economy. In the future, it will provide working space for students, offices for start-ups, and studios for artists.

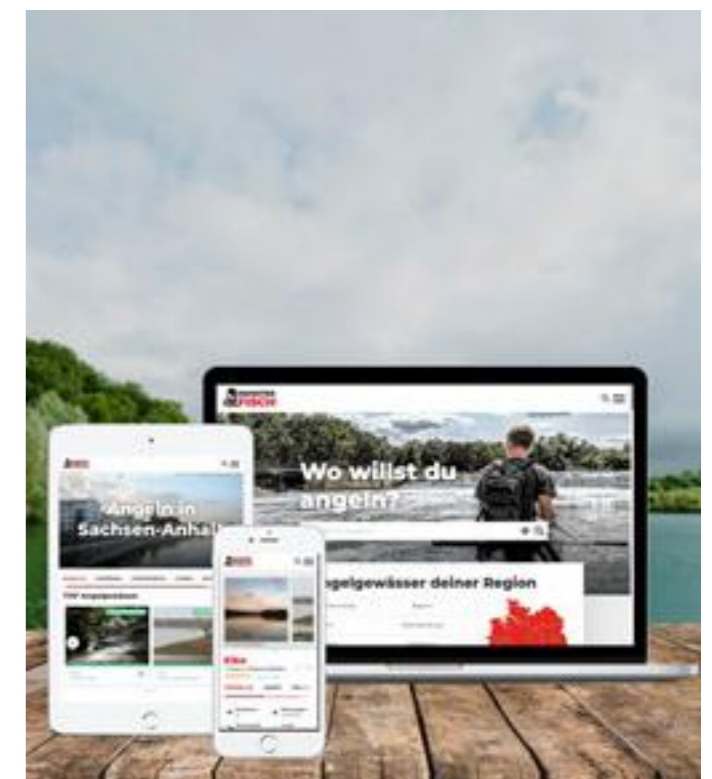
When it comes to the audio-visual realisation of artistic projects or the production of live shows, i:Tecs GmbH & Co. KG, located in the Waggonbau Dessau industrial area, is the partner of choice. International customers and McDonald's franchise companies rely on the full-service provider for event productions and digital entertainment technologies. On tour, musicians like Wincent Weiss have i:Tecs present them in the proper light.

In the commercial area Dessau-Ost, Tamesis Design GmbH develops high-quality property furnishings and manufactures them according to the highest quality standards, both with its own and with external design teams. Tamesis was certified as a manufactory in 2017.

Dessau-Roßlau also stands for innovative concepts in the digital sector. The specialists of the digital agency Maseto UG, for example, develop and optimise complex websites and e-commerce solutions. From the nearby Technology and Start-up Centre Dessau-Roßlau (TGZ), Lieblingsköder GmbH has almost single-handedly digitalised fishing and the market for fishing accessories.

**"i:Tecs GmbH & Co. KG has been located in Dessau since 2001 and has developed into a renowned, efficient, and innovative service provider for AV and IT media technology and event productions."**

**Carsten Schneeweiß**  
Managing Director, i:Tecs GmbH & Co. KG





# Innovations for the Protection of Humankind and the Environment

In a region traditionally known for its chemical industry and coal mining, a growth market for companies active in the fields of environmental and climate protection, sustainability, recycling, and energy management has emerged. The move of the Federal Environment Agency, representing Germany's "green conscience," to Dessau-Roßlau gave this sector an additional boost.

Dessau-Roßlau is the cradle of modern supply and energy service providers. As early as 1855, Victor von Unruh founded the German Continental Gas Company here, which is now part of the E.on Corporation.



With comprehensive supply and disposal services, Stadtwerke Dessau (Municipal utilities Dessau) is deeply committed to the citizens of the city of Dessau-Roßlau and offers resident companies and companies willing to settle here tailor-made solutions from a single source. Stadtwerke Dessau supports the energy and climate protection goals of the European Energy Award (eeA) for Dessau-Roßlau as a European energy and climate protection municipality. In this way, the company is using the turnaround in energy policy as an opportunity and is consistently implementing this conviction: from the already completed fossil fuel phase-out in the eco-friendly generation of electricity and district heating to energy services such as "carefree" heating or solar packages, a climate-friendly sewage plant, certified green electricity, a CO<sub>2</sub>-neutral bus service with natural gas to electromobility with the ope-

ration and expansion of the charging infrastructure in the city. In addition, Stadtwerke Dessau has also implemented a comprehensive broadband expansion in the city area. In this way, the Stadtwerke Dessau is making sustainable investments in the business location Dessau-Roßlau – and in the quality of life in our region.

DHW Deutsche Hydrierwerke GmbH Rodleben is an important producer of unsaturated fatty alcohols, sugar alcohols, fatty amines and special esters. Customers for these products, which are mainly obtained from renewable raw materials by chemical conversion, are companies from the food and luxury food industry, the cosmetics sector and the pharmaceutical industry. Investigations in the field of our application research in combination with the experience of a global oleochemistry make DHW GmbH a competent partner.

Saxon Junkalor GmbH is a company with many years of experience in the area of infrared gas analysis. Founded in 1892 as a calorifier and calorimeter factory by Professor Hugo Junkers, the company has secured a leading market position with the development and production of gas emission measuring instruments, industrial emission monitoring, and OEM modules as infrared detectors. The globally operating company masters the physical and technical basics up to the complete analyser.

**"For our clients and for us, this name stands for innovation, success, and tradition."**

**Oliver Herzog**  
Managing Director, Saxon Junkalor GmbH



# The Future is Planned Here

The mix of new economic sectors and traditional industries is also evident in the areas of consulting, engineering, and development. Companies with different areas of expertise research, advise, and develop on behalf of national and international customers. Innovative engineering is integral to Dessau-Roßlau as a business location – and indeed has been ever since Professor Hugo Junkers built the first gas bath boiler and the first all-metal aircraft here.



Rich in tradition, the Wissenschaftlich-Technisches Zentrum (WTZ) für Motoren- und Maschinenforschung Roßlau gGmbH (Scientific and Technical Centre for Engine and Machine Research) is a non-profit, innovative research enterprise specialising in working on scientific and technical tasks in the field of energy conversion. The company, which won the IQ Innovation Award Central Germany, develops and tests products and processes in the fields of engine technology, power engineering, mechanical and instrument engineering for renowned automobile and engine manufacturers, and is the host of the international Dessau Gas Engine Conference, where the innovative, zero-emission Closed-Cycle Hydrogen Engine was presented in 2019. This zero-emission hydrogen cycle engine is operated only with oxygen and hydrogen.

Hörmann Vehicle Engineering GmbH is the all-rounder for new developments and modernisations in the fields of rail vehicle and commercial vehicle construction – from design, calculation, and simulation to production support.

With the aim of making its customers' products a little safer every day, techcos engineering GmbH with its branch in Dessau-Roßlau has set itself the task of minimising as much as possible the safety risks arising for the consumer. As a special service provider for system and functional security, the company mainly serves customers from the automotive and defence industry.

From the idea to the construction to controlling and evaluation: As an international consulting company, Railistics GmbH has been actively involved in the future development of rail transport and vehicles on a strategic, technical, and commercial level since 2001. The Dessau branch has become by far the largest office and the driving force of Railistics.

**"Railistics accompanies the rail vehicle worldwide – from the cradle to the grave."**

**Dipl.-Ing. Guido Huke**  
Managing Director, Railistics GmbH







## Industrial and Commercial Areas

# Free Space for Your Ideas

**Did you know that rabies in animals was successfully combated in Dessau-Roßlau? Thanks to a vaccine developed by IDT Biologika GmbH, which is based in the BioPharmaPark Dessau, Germany was officially declared as free from terrestrial rabies in 2008.**

Dessau-Roßlau is traversed by a network of fully developed industrial areas with various specialisations and branch orientations. Immediately available areas provide a home to every entrepreneurial idea – and at fair conditions. Stadtwerke Dessau is a reliable energy and media supplier for every entrepreneur.

If you are looking for a suitable location for large-scale settlements, the Industrial and Commercial Park "Dessau Airfield" is just the right place. The moderately priced available areas offer ideal conditions for company branches offices, business expansions, or start-ups. As the former site of the world-famous Junkerswerke (Junkers Aircraft and Motor Works), the development of the area is exemplary for the transformation of historically significant industrial wastelands into attractive and modern commercial areas.

In direct vicinity, on the former factory site for automobiles, calorimeters, and calorifiers of the Junkerswerke, a fully developed commercial area of approximately six hectares in size with optimal transport connections has been created. Its convenient location close to the city centre ensures excellent accessibility for clients, suppliers, and employees, and promises ideal opportunities for development, especially for small and medium-sized companies.

The Tri-modal Logistics Centre along the banks of the river Elbe is a modern logistics, commercial, and industrial site that has evolved throughout history. It has a future-oriented and efficient quay and rail infras-

tructure in the industrial port of Roßlau. Its efficient loading technology allows for the transshipment of bulk goods and general cargo as well as heavy-load cargo and containers. The direct connection to the federal highways 184 and 187, the federal motorway 9 as well as to the central network of the Deutsche Bahn AG provides optimal conditions for trimodal traffic. In addition to the traditional leading industries such as transshipment, shipbuilding, and chemicals, companies with a port-related profile have settled here.

BioPharmaPark Dessau is one of the most efficient biopharmaceutical clusters in Germany. Vaccines have been developed and produced at this traditional production site since 1921. IDT Biologika GmbH, which emerged from the Impfstoffwerk Dessau-Tornau GmbH (vaccine plant) located here, now operates an ultramodern integrated biopharmaceutical site in this area. In the BioPharmaPark Dessau, investors benefit from the production profile of the local companies and have access to a well-functioning infrastructure.

Grow, launch, connect. You got big plans? In Dessau-Roßlau you will find the right space.

**Broadband expanded throughout → available industrial and commercial areas → Tri-modal transport services in the industrial port of Roßlau → 24-hour operation → All areas fully developed**

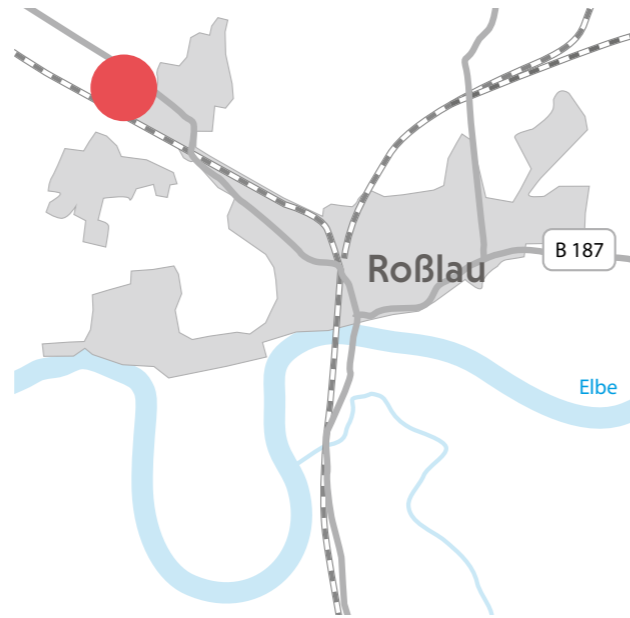


## BioPharmaPark Dessau – Geared for Growth

An integrated infrastructure and service network as well as synergies between the companies already established at the site offer ideal economic conditions for further settlements.

The companies already located in the BioPharmaPark Dessau have extraordinary skills in pharmaceutical production and packaging, innovative vaccine technologies, quality control and compliance as well as research and development.

Becoming part of the service network of the BioPharmaPark can reduce costs and business risks and at the same time offers access to a global market and client structure.



### Total area

approx. 90 ha

### Building Law

Legally binding development plan

### Development

Fully developed

### Further locational advantages

Integrated biopharmaceutical services, independent company for site supply and infrastructure

### Location

- B 184: direct access  
A 9: 7 km
- Dessau Airfield: 10 km
- Industrial Port Roßlau: 1 km
- Rodleben Station: 0,5 km



## Tri-modal Logistics Centre – Traffic by Tradition

The area is located in Roßlau, about 6 kilometres north of the city centre of Dessau. The available spaces are part of the industrial areas of the Deutsche Hydrierwerk Rodleben (DHW) and the industrial port of Roßlau. The sectors currently based here are chemicals, transport logistics, agricultural trade, recycling, main and ancillary building trades.

This industrial area has a one kilometre stretch of developed land along the banks of the river Elbe, cranes with a maximum load of 70 tons, and excellent railroad infrastructure, which the businesses and users can access in a non-discriminatory way.



### Total area

approx. 100 ha

### Building Law

Building Law according to § 34 BauGB

### Development

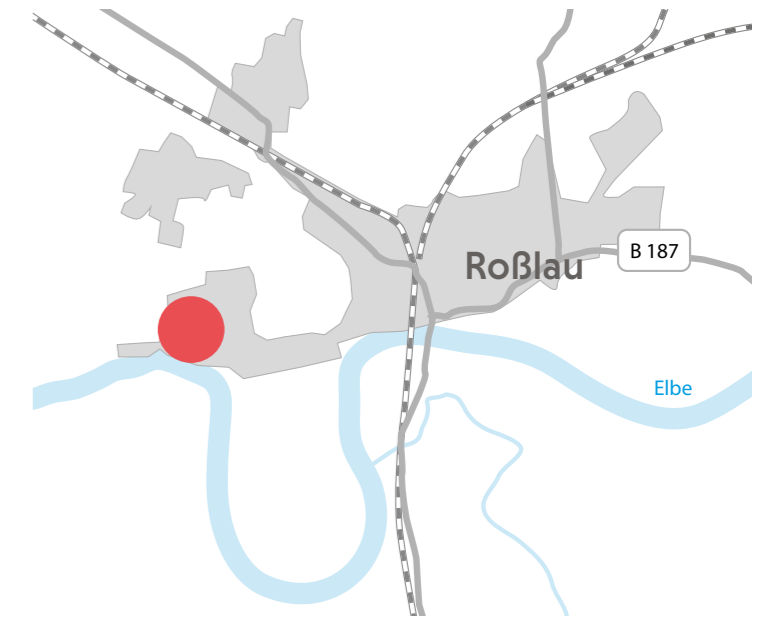
Fully developed

### Further locational advantages

Public inland port with rail connection, public weighbridge, transshipment facilities for general, bulk, and heavy cargo

### Location

- B 184: 1 km  
A 9: 7 km
- Dessau Airfield: 10 km
- Industrial Port Roßlau: direct access
- Roßlau Station: 2 km

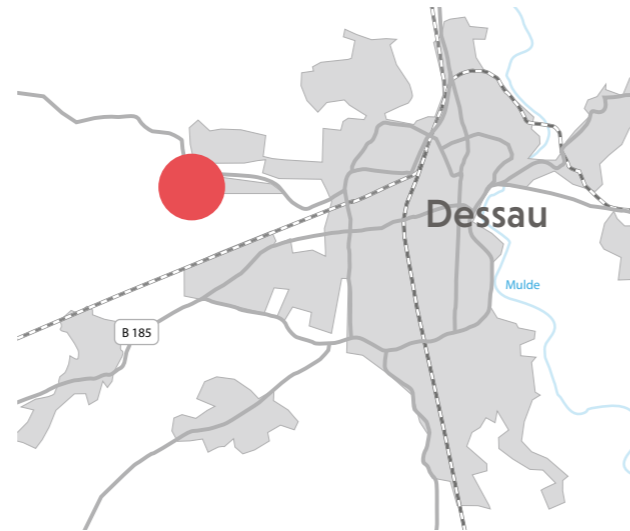




## Industrial and Commercial Area "Dessau Airfield" – A Smooth Take Off, A Successful Landing

Right in the centre of the world-famous Junkerswerke from where the legendary aircraft Ju 52 once took off, an industrial and commercial area was created in Dessau-Roßlau, in which successful take-offs are once again possible.

The industrial and commercial area around the airfield guarantees the availability of moderately-priced land at any size. The area offers ideal conditions for companies – both for start-ups and for company branches or expansions. The area is primarily developed for use as an industrial site (GI), which means that around-the-clock operation is possible.



### Total area

approx. 160 ha

### Building Law

Legally binding development plan

### Development

Fully developed

### Further locational advantages

Large, coherent areas for use as an industrial site (GI), possibility of around-the-clock-operation, famous production site of the Junkerswerke

### Location

- B184: direct access | B185: 1 km  
A9: 11 km
- Dessau Airfield: direct access
- Industrial Port Roßlau: 10 km
- Dessau Central Station: 3 km



## Commercial Area "Am Junkerswerk" – A Prestigious Site of the Future

The commercial area, created on the historical site of the famous Junkerswerke, is a promising development site for small and medium-sized enterprises in particular. The fully developed total area offers a lot of room for creativity and design to carry out investment projects at a high pace. It is conveniently located close to the city centre, right by the federal roads B 184/B 185 with bus and tram lines passing by, thus guaranteeing excellent accessibility. According to the relevant community task guidelines on "improving the regional economic structures (GRW)," business establishments in the areas of manufacturing and business-related services are sought after. In particular, companies in fields that feel connected to the innovative spirit of Professor Hugo Junkers and wish to participate in the revival of this prestigious area are most warmly welcome.



### Total area

approx. 6 ha

### Building Law

Legally binding development plan

### Development

Fully developed

### Further locational advantages

Optimal (public) traffic connections, close to the city centre, prestigious production site of the Junkerswerke

### Location

- B184: direct access | B185: direct access  
A9: 10 km
- Dessau Airfield : 2 km
- Industrial Port Roßlau: 10 km
- Dessau Central Station: 3 km







## Dessau-Roßlau's Educational Landscape

# Concentrated competence

**Did you know that the Hochschule Anhalt is the largest University of Applied Sciences in Saxony Anhalt? 7,500 students are enrolled at the three different campus locations in Dessau-Roßlau, Bernburg and Köthen. There are more than 70 different bachelor and master degree courses to choose from.**

In a prosperous business region, guaranteeing flexible access to competent, qualified staff represents a major challenge. For years, various educational providers and institutions, operating under the umbrella of the "Bildungslandschaft Dessau-Roßlau" (Dessau-Roßlau Educational Landscape), have been extremely successful in meeting the growing demands for education and personnel with a wide range of opportunities for vocational and professional training, qualification, and consulting.

At the centre of the Halle-Leipzig-Magdeburg university triangle, Anhalt University of Applied Sciences in Dessau-Roßlau teaches the next generation of academics and researchers in architecture, design, facility management, and geo-information. In immediate proximity to the Bauhaus Dessau, a modern campus offers ideal conditions for more than 1,800 students.

At the campus of Bernburg, there are the departments of Agriculture, Ecotrophology and Landscape Architecture, as well as Economics. At the campus of Köthen, you can find engineering study programs with the respective departments of Computer Science and Languages, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Management, as well as Applied Biosciences and Process Engineering.

The Anhaltisches Berufsschulzentrum "Hugo Junkers" ("Hugo Junkers" vocational training school of Anhalt) is the largest and most modern of its kind in Saxony-Anhalt and offers professional training in areas ranging from manual skills to administration.

With 20 departments and an integrated nursing school, the Städtisches Klinikum Dessau (Dessau Municipal Hospital) offers all you need for a future-oriented nursing education. It fulfils its function as an academic teaching hospital on behalf of the Brandenburg Medical University Theodor Fontane.

To ensure easy access to the opportunities offered by the regional job market, the regional transition management synchronises the services provided by the Youth Welfare Office, the employment agency, schools and other institutions. This programme is supplemented by the "Jugend.Berufs.Zentrum Dessau-Roßlau," a counselling centre that provides individual assistance to young people transitioning from school to training or from university to work.

Put your business plans into practice in Dessau-Roßlau. The staff is ready to go!



**Educational Landscape Dessau-Roßlau → 46 day-care centres → "Jugend.Berufs.Zentrum" → 30 schools → "Hugo Junkers" vocational training school → Promotion of young talent → RÜMSA → Anhalt University of Applied Sciences with over 70 courses of study → ego.-Inkubator → Start-up centres**





# Do You Want More?

**Did you know that Dessau-Roßlau has one of the largest theatres in Europe? The Anhalt Theater Dessau owes this to its multifunctional revolving stage with its enormous proportions, and to more than 1,000 seats.**

Whether rented apartment or city villa, whether newlywed or extended family, whether golf course, gallery, or Garden Kingdom: Dessau-Roßlau offers countless possibilities to realise your own life plan.

The dream of owning your own home can be realised here, especially for young families, thanks to the availability of developed plots of land at affordable conditions. The question whether you want to settle close to the city centre or in the countryside is very easy to answer: both! For Dessau-Roßlau is a green city, inside and out.

The wide range of offers from various real estate companies and private landlords make your search for the right domicile quick and easy – from renovated old buildings to modern rental apartments to terraced houses in the style of the Bauhaus.

But Dessau-Roßlau's quality of life does not end at your own fence. The Bauhaus Dessau – world-famous school of architecture and design with UNESCO World Heritage status –, the unique collection at the Bauhaus Museum Dessau, and the Anhalt Theatre Dessau, which covers all genres, have international appeal.

Culture and nature are inseparably linked in Dessau-Roßlau and the surrounding region. One of the last unspoilt river landscapes in Europe, the 126,000-hectare Middle Elbe Biosphere Reserve, is interspersed with the parks, gardens and palaces of the Dessau-Wörlitz Garden Kingdom. Both are under the protection of UNESCO. Discoveries for locals and newcomers alike are also offered by various museums, exhibitions, and galleries.

Dessau-Roßlau has various clubs and associations; 70 types of sports can be chosen from. In addition, there are local and traditional clubs, voluntary fire brigades as well as children's and leisure facilities. Sports facilities and shopping centres, restaurants and bars, a zoo, a multiplex cinema and a golf course round off the interesting and exciting range of leisure activities on offer in the twin city.

In the modern Tourist Information Office opposite the Bauhaus Museum Dessau, you will be given competent advice and comprehensive answers to all of your questions about leisure activities and touristic sights in Dessau-Roßlau.

**UNESCO World Heritage Bauhaus → UNESCO World Heritage Dessau-Wörlitz Garden Kingdom → Anhalt Theatre Dessau → Anhalt Picture Gallery → Technology Museum "Hugo Junkers" → Dessau Zoo → Golf park → Anhalt-Arena**



## Bauhaus Museum Dessau

For a long time, a large part of the world's second largest Bauhaus collection remained hidden in the archives. Since 2019, however, the Bauhaus Dessau Foundation has been presenting its 49,000 catalogued items in an impressive exhibition at the Bauhaus Museum Dessau, right in the heart of the city. The building was designed by Addenda Architects from Barcelona, who won an open international competition.



## Anhalt Picture Gallery

With its comprehensive collection of paintings, drawings and prints ranging from the year 1400 to the present, the Anhalt Picture Gallery, located at Georgium Palace, is one of the country's most important art museums. It has the largest collection of ancient art in Saxony-Anhalt. On display are German paintings from the 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, including major works by Lucas Cranach the Elder and the Younger, as well as an important collection of Dutch paintings from the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries.



## Bauhaus and Masters' Houses

From 1925 to 1932, the Bauhaus Dessau was the centre of European Modernism. Architects like Walter Gropius or Ludwig Mies van der Rohe created a new architecture, artists like Wassily Kandinsky or László Moholy-Nagy influenced the art of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In addition to the Bauhaus building and the Masters' Houses – both of which have been UNESCO World Heritage Sites since 1996 – authentic evidence of the Bauhaus masters' works can be seen all over the city.



## Anhalt Theatre

The Anhalt Theatre is not only one of the most traditional theatres in Saxony-Anhalt – with more than 1,000 seats, it is also the biggest in the state. It has one of the largest revolving stages in Europe. The "Anhaltische Philharmonie Dessau" (Anhaltinian Philharmonic Orchestra) has its seat here. The House's outstanding international reputation as the "Bayreuth of the East" is founded on its great performances – in all common theatrical genres as well as in its excellent puppet theatre.

## Restaurants

The culinary offerings in Dessau-Roßlau include something for every occasion and taste: Whether wedding or children's birthday party, haute cuisine or regional cooking – Dessau-Roßlau's culinary landscape is as diverse as its culture.



## Dessau-Wörlitz Garden Kingdom

Castles and parks, gardens and lakes, set in a landscaped environment – the Garden Kingdom of Dessau-Wörlitz is a unique symbiosis of natural and "cultural" scenery covering 142 square kilometres. In the year 2000, it was awarded the title of World Heritage Site by UNESCO.





## Technology Museum "Hugo Junkers" Dessau

Without Professor Hugo Junkers, modern air traffic would be unthinkable. He developed and produced the first all-metal aircraft in the Junkerswerke in Dessau. Revolutionary models such as the "Tante Ju" (Auntie Ju), the F 13 or the J 1 embarked on their maiden flights from here. The Technology Museum "Hugo Junkers" Dessau, located on the historical site of the Junkers Aircraft and Motor Works, provides insights into Junkers' life's work and technical excellence of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.



## Indoor and Outdoor Swimming Pools

The city of Dessau-Roßlau has two modern indoor pools with different orientations: The "Gesundheitsbad" with a sauna in the historic city swimming hall, and the newly built "Sportbad Dessau." In the summer months you can also visit a large number of natural and open-air pools.



## Golf park

The golf course "Golf park Dessau" offers a 9-hole golf and a golf simulator on the area of the former Junkerswerke. Its many water hazards and bunkers demand a lot of skill and strategy from the golfer. Since 2023 interested people are allowed to play on a short course even if they do not own a license yet.



## Dessau Zoo with Mausoleum

As a large and popular local recreational centre, the Dessau Zoo is home to 500 animals of about 120 species. Both residents and guests of the city are among the approximately 120,000 visitors that come to the zoo each year, enjoying a protected landscape on an area of eleven hectares. The cross-shaped dome construction on the premises of the Dessau Zoo is a former burial place of the Dukes of Anhalt. The landmark, supported by the association "Mausoleum Dessau e. V.," is the backdrop for various open-air events every year – from opera to summer cinema.

## Sports Facilities

The golf course „Golf park Dessau“ offers a 9-hole golf and a golf simulator on the area of the former Junkerswerke. Its many water hazards and bunkers demand a lot of skill and strategy from the golfer. Since 2023 interested people are allowed to play on a short course even if they do not own a license yet.



## Cinema

With the UCI Cinema World, Dessau-Roßlau has a modern inner-city multiplex cinema with seven auditoriums and an integrated trendy restaurant. In addition, other city actors invite you to enjoy cosy evenings at the cinema – also in the outdoors – throughout the summer.





## Biosphere Reserve Middle Elbe

The UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Middle Elbe, 126,000 hectares in size, is one of the last remaining unspoilt river landscapes in Europe. Among other things, its impressive flora and fauna is the refuge of the almost extinct Elbe beaver. Arguably the most beautiful and diverse part of the Biosphere Reserve can be found in Dessau-Roßlau and its surroundings.



## Recreation

A climbing centre, a sports park, several tennis courts, bowling alleys, marinas, skating and basketball facilities and a well-developed network of cycle paths that spread over the city area, from the Elbe Cycle Path to the European Cycle Path R1 – the twin city of Dessau-Roßlau has a very diverse range of leisure activities on offer.



## Water Castle Roßlau

Water Castle Roßlau is a fortified castle from the 12<sup>th</sup> century. Situated at the Rossel river, it served at times as the seat of the Princes of Anhalt. Today the castle is used as a venue for open-air events such as the largest German ska festival "This is Ska," the "Burgtheatersommer," and Easter and Advent markets.





# Business and Investment Service – Your Strong Partner

The Business and Investment Service at the Office for Economy and urban planning of the city of Dessau-Roßlau seeks to promote and support the positive development of the city of Dessau-Roßlau. By giving personal, goal-oriented advice and providing all the information relevant to the business location, we offer valuable support for your business venture – from the development stage of a project up to its realisation. We also take charge of the administrative coordination during company-related permit processes.

Our areas of activities range from assisting companies wishing to relocate to Dessau-Roßlau to supporting local companies, from the disposal of municipal industrial sites and properties to strengthening the commercial infrastructure up to providing assistance for start-ups and implementing our own funding programmes.

Further, we support and promote people who wish to set up a new business, founders of start-ups and young entrepreneurs with a business know-how, both before and after they found their businesses.

The portfolio of tasks and services provided by the Business and Investment Service of Dessau-Roßlau further includes local and regional business networking as well as promoting business location marketing in cooperation with the Stadtmarketinggesellschaft Dessau-Roßlau mbH.

## Founder's Award

Since 2018, the city of Dessau-Roßlau has been awarding the founder prize in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Halle-Dessau (IHK), Wirtschafts- und Industrieclub Anhalt e.V. (WIC), Stadtparkasse Dessau, Anhalt University of Applied Sciences, Wirtschafts-

junioeren Dessau e. V. and Stadtmarketinggesellschaft Dessau-Roßlau mbH. The prize is given to founders with innovative ideas on the fields of technology, ecology or society.

**"The Prize is a great appreciation of our work."**

**Omar Gahndour** – 1st Place Founder Prize 2023  
Managing Director of PXNEL GmbH



Unlike many other cities and metropolises, Dessau-Roßlau gives young families the opportunity to acquire private real estate and building land at moderate conditions, so that they do not only find a place of work here, but also a home. Its unique diversity and the abundance of space to design and develop make up the special charm of the twin city on the rivers Mulde and Elbe.

Come and visit Dessau-Roßlau and see for yourself!

**Founder`s Award** → **Location marketing** → **Turbobreakfast** → **Infrastructural projects** → **Promotion of SMEs** → **Disposal Fund** → **TRAINS Innovation project** → **business Start-up support** → **VorOrt project** → **Support of investors** → **Fairs** → **Regional network** → **Networking partners**

### Promoting Investment

The Investitionsbank Sachsen-Anhalt (Investment Bank of Saxony-Anhalt) is the central financing institution in the region and supports companies, creative ideas, and innovative projects with subsidies, subsidised credits, guarantees, and advice on site. In particular, the creation and expansion of companies in Dessau-Roßlau is supported by a variety of available programmes with attractive maximum subsidies.

### Promoting Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises

With a new SME support programme, the city of Dessau-Roßlau grants subsidies as voluntary benefits for individual measures. Eligible companies include small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) from the SME sector in Dessau-Roßlau according to the European Commission's definition of SMEs.

### Support for Business Start-ups and Start-up Qualification

Dessau-Roßlau offers a wide range of funding opportunities for people interested in setting up a business and for new founders. In addition to the support provided by the Investitionsbank Sachsen-Anhalt, the Business and Investment Service in Dessau-Roßlau also coordinates free start-up qualification courses, funded by the European Social Fund and the State of Saxony-Anhalt.

### Promoting the city centre

A „Verfügungsfonds Wirtschaft“ (disposition fund economy) allows for up to 50 percent of the funding for investment measures to strengthen the city centre. Companies, clubs and associations, real estate owners and individuals are all eligible to apply.

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# Event and Conference Location Dessau-Roßlau

**Did you know that in Dessau-Roßlau you can hold meetings by torchlight in an authentic castle? The team at the Tourist Information Dessau will be happy to advise you on all the options for conferences and meetings available in our town.**

The extraordinary flair of Dessau-Roßlau's event locations inspires not only invited speakers, but leaves a deep impression on all participants. The city offers unique locations and accompanying programmes for your conferences, seminars, and other events.

Whether you want to follow in the footsteps of the Bauhaus by hosting an event in the Bauhaus building and the Bauhaus museum Dessau itself or in the Kornhaus located on the river Elbe; whether you want to give your meeting an athletic touch by having it take place at the event centre Golf park

Dessau or the Anhalt-Arena; whether you want to cater to technology enthusiasts with a convention in the Technology Museum "Hugo Junkers" Dessau; whether you want to hold a scientific conference on the premises of the Federal Environment Agency or the Anhalt University of Applied Sciences; or a tasteful and elegant event in the twin city's hotels – you are free to choose!

As a competent service provider, the Tourist Information Dessau is happy to assist you with the organisation of your conference location and accompanying program.

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