You have the questions,
we have the answers.

— DIGITAL ECONOMY IN GERMANY —

GERMANY WORKS.

SMART CITIES

Why are municipal regions attracting investors?

Germany has 81 cities with at least 100,000 inhabitants and **one-third of Europe's 15 highest metropolitan area GDPs**. Thriving sectors include new energy, environmental, IT, and security infrastructure.

Why is Germany the perfect business location?

The **decentralised system of government** means exciting ideas and approaches, from public-private partnerships to innovative funding models, can be tested with less outside interference.

Will local governments embrace digital solutions?

Germany's recent Online Access Act requires **all 11,000 local governments** to make their administrative services digitally accessible by the end of 2022.

How strong will funding be?

850 m

95 lighthouse projects ("Modellprojekte Smart Cities") throughout the country will be funded in five separate rounds to the tune of **€850 million** in total.

How about an example?

The **Wolfsburg city** government and public utilities provider are expanding the local fiber-optic network to connect 7,100 homes, 2,600 business, and 200 public authorities.

And another one?

The **Future City Ulm 2030 project** uses data to develop innovative projects like bike sharing, autonomous living for senior citizens, and a more creative and flexible city administration.

And one to finish off?

Hamburg is pioneering new, sustainable mobility solutions in the form of intelligent traffic systems. One project involves testing a regular, electric, autonomous mini-bus service.

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