



Québec and Austria, Germany, and Switzerland: 50 Years of Forward-Looking Trade and Cooperation

Québec and these 3 countries maintain a strong relationship that encourages the sharing of best practices and the birth of new innovations.

Québec's talent in the creative industries, strength in cutting-edge sectors and scientific breakthroughs and innovations in energy and technology are inducing top companies to set up operations here.

























































This large pool of companies has a huge impact on the Québec economy



GERMANY

- Opening of Québec's economic office: 1971
- 140 German subsidiaries in Québec
- Québec's top trading partner in Europe
- Québec's third-largest trading relationship worldwide
- \$6.5 billion in trade
- o From 2018 to 2020, 8th-largest source of FDI, worth \$366 million
- Cooperation between industry clusters, such as Aéro Montréal and Hamburg Aviation or Medical Valley EMN and MEDTEQ+



SWITZERLAND

- o 11,000 jobs at Swiss subsidiaries operating in Québec
- High-tech industries: pharmaceuticals, mining, energy, electronics and composite materials
- 100 businesses across the province
- From 2018 to 2020, 7th-largest source of FDI, worth \$371 million



AUSTRIA

- Québec Upper Austria cooperation agreement
- Andritz Hydro chose Québec for its Canadian head office and has an enviable business relationship with the government corporation Hydro-Québec
- BRP Rotax develops and produces all recreational vehicle engines sold by the Québec company Bombardier Recreational Products
- Doppelmayr's Canadian head office. Most Québec ski hills use Austrian ski lifts and gondolas

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