LOUVAIN-LA-NEUVE SCIENCE PARK
DRIVING ECONOMIC GROWTH IN WALLONIA, BELGIUM

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Louvain-la-Neuve : POTENTIAL LAND FOR THE ‘NEW’ UNIVERSITY?
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Louvain-la-Neuve today: ALL-IN-1 KNOWLEDGE CITY
#1 in Wallonia, Belgium

Since 1971. 270+ companies and 6,400 jobs on 231 hectares. 5+ sectors : Life Sciences, Engineering, Chemicals, ICT, Greentech.
#1 role, SERVE SOCIETY

3rd university mission
SMALL & DYNAMIC

Dense innovation ecosystem on a 2-km radius close to Brussels-capital
RELATIONS are key, SUPPORT is everything.

Louvain Innovation Network
Serendipity factor
EXPANDING our horizons

Going international 2.0.

China-Belgium Technology Center
LESSONS LEARNED
FROM CHALLENGE TO OPPORTUNITY

• **Right place.** Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium
• **Right ecosystem.** Louvain Innovation Network
• **All-in-one.** Proximity = quality & connectedness
  – City: quality of life
  – University: actively serving society, teaching, researching
  – Science Park: innovation-based long-term economic growth
• **Improving our model and securing the future.**
  – Expansion (in and out)
  – Taking ‘connectedness’ one step further: serendipity factor
BRABANT WALLON (our province) is
#1 investor in R&D in GDP% in Europe

#2 most educated european region after London
THANK YOU.

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