



° **SCIENCE PARKS OF WALLONIA** °

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SPoW (Science Parks of Wallonia), is a network of Belgian science and technology parks which share the common objective of hosting companies that focus first and foremost on high tech business-university relationships.

6 science parks are members of SPoW : Louvain-la-Neuve Science Park, Liege Science Park, Crealys, Initialis, Aéroport and Qualitis. They are managed by Universities and local development agencies.

The Science Parks of Wallonia are currently home to more than **482 high-tech companies** - including 73 spin-offs - employing around **11,400 people**. Spread over **593 ha** (5.93 sq. km), the science parks offer many possibilities for accommodation (renting of labs or offices) and free spaces for investors.

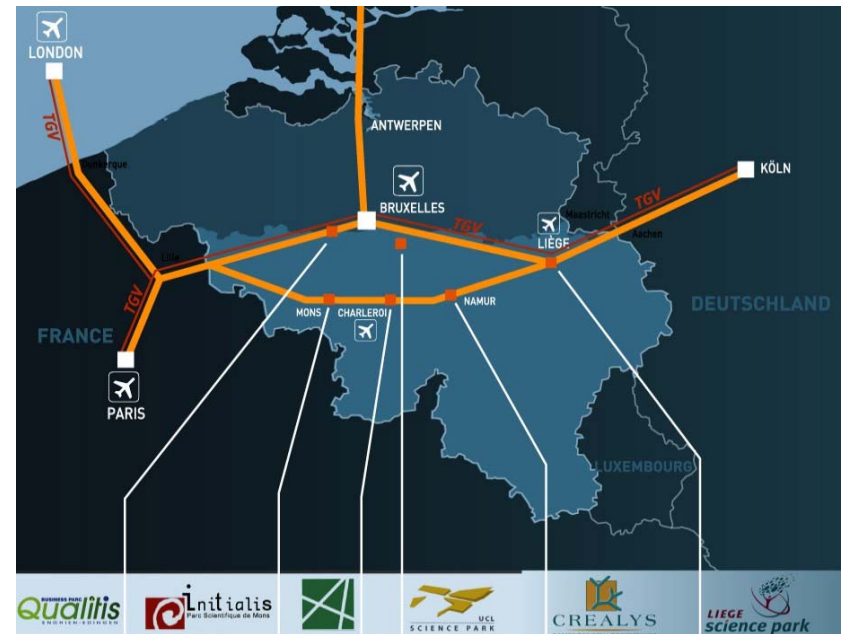
The parks offer a wide range of services allowing the **optimal development of innovative companies**. For instance, the potential for scientific or technological collaborations with universities and research centres is a crucial aspect of a company's R&D strategy.

Via SPoW, the six science parks in Wallonia work closely together to promote their "know-how" in the hosting of high-tech companies. Finally, SPoW strives to foster relationships between its tenants and professors and researchers at universities by organizing formal or informal meetings.

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From left to right :

- **Qualitis** – Enghien
- **Initialis** – Mons
- **Aéroport** – Charleroi
- **Louvain-la-Neuve Science Park** – Louvain-la-Neuve
- **Crealys** – Gembloux
- **Liège Science Park** – Liège

Name	Louvain-la-Neuve Science Park		Initialis Science Park (Mons)
Website	www.LLNSCIENCEPARK.be		www.IDEA.be
Date of creation	1971		1996
Management	University : Université catholique de Louvain (UCL) Local development agency : Intercommunale du Brabant Wallon (IBW)		Local development agency: IDEA
Total area	231 ha		25 ha (first phase of development)
Technical services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Internal road system ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Sewage treatment station, sewers ✦ Fibre optic ✦ ADSL, Radio Technology (wireless) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Fibre optic ✦ ADSL and ISDN
Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Located in Louvain-la-Neuve, less than 1 km from the City Centre ✦ Along the E411 Brussels-Luxembourg highway ✦ 30 km south-east of Brussels ✦ Brussels international airport can be reached in 25 minutes by car ✦ Served by the national railway network and regular bus services ✦ RER (<i>réseau express régional</i>) operational by 2012 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Located in Mons, a stone's throw from the City Centre ✦ Near motorways E19 and E42 ✦ A few minutes from Mons international railway station ✦ Close to 3 main airports: Brussels, Lille, Charleroi
Space to rent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 50 ha of land available ✦ Offices to let: ✦ 3 Business Centres ✦ 1 incubator (+ 2,000 sqm available by 2009) ✦ Laboratory, production and warehouse facilities 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Offices to let : ✦ BIC - La Maison de l'Entreprise ✦ Temporary housing structures (relay-buildings) ✦ Technological incubator
Targeted sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Life sciences ✦ Fine chemistry ✦ Information ✦ Engineering ✦ Environmental technologies 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ The main high tech sectors on the Park are ICT and life sciences. Other represented sector: engineering
Number of tenants	✦ 137		✦ 46
On site services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Development of scientific / technologic collaborations with a renowned and complete University (10 faculties, 200 research units); ✦ Partnerships with other on-site companies; ✦ Access to University research infrastructures; ✦ Access to University libraries and sports infrastructures; ✦ Culture and leisure facilities + scientific events (conferences, seminars, ...) ✦ Commercial infrastructure and services: shopping centre, 350 shops and restaurants, hotels, banks, post office, etc...; Conferences halls; ✦ Centralized database of real estate and property for sale or lease 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Housing services : - BIC <i>La Maison de l'Entreprise</i> - Technological incubator - Relay-building ✦ Academic services: Excellence Centres: Multitel (telecommunications, signal treatment, speech recognition ...) and Materianova (new materials). ✦ other kinds of services available and gathered in the city centre of Mons (5 min)
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Name	Liège Science Park		Aéropole (Charleroi)
Website	www.LIEGESCIENCEPARK.be		www.AEROPOLE.be
Date of creation	1971		1991
Management	Local development agency : SPI+		Local development agency : IGRETEC
Total area	50 ha – extension to 100 ha by 2008		A global area sizing 120 ha, 96ha of them being especially dedicated to companies
Technical services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Internal road system ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Fibre optic ✦ Sewers ✦ ADSL and PRA-ISDN connections 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Fibre optic ✦ ADSL, loop, WIFI connections ...
Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Ten minutes from Liege City Center and from the access to the E40 motorway. A few kilometers from the access to the E25 motorway. Liege Airport within 10 kilometers River port (Port Autonome de Liège): within 10 km ✦ Rail link: five minutes from the nearest station (High Speed Train station) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Charleroi has excellent transport infrastructure within and around the city itself, and all the main outbound highways that lead to other areas and cities in Belgium. Aeropole is located at the crossroad of international highways leading to Brussels (60 km), Paris (290 km), Amsterdam (200 km), Frankfurt (400 km), ...
Space to rent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Extension project: 50 ha available by 2009 ✦ Surfaces to let : ✦ Relay buildings ✦ Business and innovation center ✦ Business center specializing in the biomedical sector (www.giga.ulg.ac.be) ✦ Specialized business incubators : engineering (www.wsl.be); life sciences (www.biotechcoaching.com) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 10 Ha
Targeted sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Different high tech sectors are represented in the Park: ICT, biotechnology/biomedical, space/aeronautics, electronics, engineering 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Aeronautics, graphic and printing workforce, biotechnology, industrial engineering, printing, poly-materials and multimedia, logistics and transport, medical and industrial R&D centers
Number of tenants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 100 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 110
On site services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ The University of Liège (8 faculties) and the University Hospital Center adjacent to the park, as well as training centers. ✦ Networking and technology transfer boosting dynamics between researchers and industry ✦ Range of services specifically aimed at the development of high tech companies. ✦ Others: bank, post office, restaurant, snack-bar, petrol service station, public transport, golf course are available next to the park. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Access to the Biotechnology Research Center (15,000 sq.m. 2 laboratory spaces) ✦ Offices spaces opportunities for rent easily parceled out according to customer requests in various use (traditional, research areas, labs spaces or specific call center office spaces) ✦ 4 training center in aeronautics ✦ A Call center infrastructure; An auditorium (video conferencing, 250 places, meeting rooms (from 8 to 70 places, training rooms, two hotels, banking and nursing infrastructures as well as a restaurant.
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Name	Qualitis (Enghien)	Crealys Science Park (Gembloux)
Website	www.QUALITIS.be	www.CREALYS.be
Date of creation	2002	1988
Management	Local development agency : IDETA	Local development agency : Bureau Economique de la Province de Namur (BEP)
Total area	18 ha	110 ha
Technical services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Fibre optic ✦ ASDL available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Water, gas and electricity supplies ✦ Fibre optic ✦ Internal road system ✦ Sewage treatment station, sewers ✦ SDSL
Accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ At the border of the highway E 429 – A8 : Brussels- Lille ✦ Lille (45 min), Paris (2h), Brussels Airport (30 min) ✦ High-speed train (TGV) station in Brussels (15 min) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Close to Namur and Gembloux ✦ Inland waterway port less than 10 km away ✦ Railway station less than 8 km away ✦ 3 airports within easy reach ✦ 18-hole golf course
Space to rent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 18 ha available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 40 ha of land available ✦ Offices to let: ✦ 2,000 sqm of office space currently to let ✦ 1,500 sqm of lab and offices to be built in 2008
Targeted sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Innovative companies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Life Sciences ✦ Information and Communication Technologies ✦ Quality Management
Number of tenants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 3 In project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 90
On site services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Central area dedicated to offices to let for services and consultancy companies (business centre) ✦ Peripheral zones for innovative SMEs in the service for small manufacturing sectors: relay buildings (to let or for sale) ✦ 2 zones for equipped plots covering an area of 0.1 to 1 ha for advanced technology companies, innovative services, high quality production, R&D 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ 4 incubators ✦ 9 business centers ✦ 7 new buildings to be infrastructured ✦ Conference centre for 200 people ✦ Restaurant, private bus, post office, ... ✦ Partners: excellence centres (Agrobiopole, Infopole), EBIC, CRI-W, EIC, ...
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