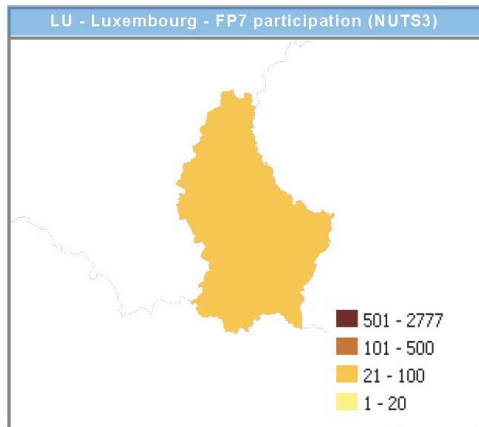




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The main characteristic of Luxembourg's national research and innovation (R&I) system is its youth. The support policy for R&I was introduced only in 1981 and the University of Luxembourg, founded in 2003, is one of the youngest universities in Europe. In this context, R&D and innovation in Luxembourg is predominantly financed by the private sector. A small country, Luxembourg manages to place nine companies in the top thousand European R&D industrial performers.



Where the private spending had fluctuations over the last decade, the public R&D spending has increased steadily. Luxembourg will need to ensure an increased efficiency and effectiveness of spending of the financial resources devoted to R&I. Attracting and keeping the necessary human resources for developing local competitive centres of excellence while ensuring an enhanced collaboration between public research organisations and private companies will need continued attention.

Innovation Union Scoreboard position	10 out of 27
R&D intensity target	2.6%
Number of eligible proposals	522 in response to 294 FP7 calls for proposals
Number of applicants	601 (0.19% of EU-27)
Success rate (EU-27 =21,5%)	20%
Rank in number of participants signed contracts (EU-27):	28
Rank in budget share (EU-27)	26
Top collaborative links	DE, FR, IT, UK, ES
Total Population & EU 27 Population Share	511.840 (0.1% of EU-27)