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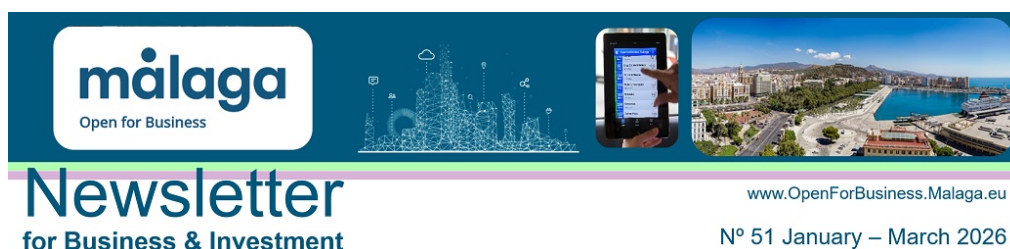
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Latest Arrivals & Company News



ESTEL, a European manufacturer of high-performance optical transceivers founded in Belgium in 2024, began hiring for its Spanish R&D centre in Malaga, adding to its locations in Belgium and Sweden. The company supplies optical modules for telecom, datacom, defence and space infrastructure, a strategic fit given Malaga's growing photonics and semiconductor ecosystem around the imec.

Devolutions, a Canadian cybersecurity company trusted by over 1 million IT professionals in 140+ countries, has opened a presence in Malaga. The company develops privileged access management, remote desktop management and password security solutions, and is ISO 27001 certified.

Hispasec Sistemas, a Spanish pioneer in cybersecurity founded in Malaga in 1998, has been acquired by Italian cloud and cybersecurity provider **ReeVo**. The transaction strengthens ReeVo's presence in Spain while integrating

German industrial technology company **SIBRE Brakes**, operating in Malaga for more than 16 years, has received the Innovation in Safety Award from TT Club and ICHCA International in London. The award recognizes the company's Snag Load Protection system, an innovation developed in Malaga, that helps prevent dangerous incidents in container cranes operating in major ports worldwide.

Indra has strengthened its presence in Malaga by opening a new advanced avionics and mission-computers center in Malaga TechPark. The site consolidates more than 700 local professionals, includes production and R&D facilities, and is backed by a planned investment of over 40 million euros over five years.

Nucleø, the city's new Semiconductor Innovation Hub managed by Promalaga, launched an intensive pre-incubation program in collaboration with the School of Industrial Organization (EOI). The hub will be located next to imec, offering 20 incubation spaces to train specialized talent, support semiconductor startups, and accelerate the transfer of cutting-edge knowledge to industry.

In 2025, **Promalaga** supported the creation of 349 new companies and assisted nearly 1,000 entrepreneurs.

Malaga at a Glance



The **Malaga-Madrid high-speed rail line has been suspended** since January 18 following a fatal accident and a subsequent landslide. It has heavily impacted tourism, business travel, and major events. Partial single-track service is expected by late April, with full restoration likely by June.

Spain/Malaga was not selected on March 25 in the EU vote to host the **new European Customs Authority (EUCA)** headquarters, with Lille, France, ultimately chosen. Regardless, the process strengthened the city's ties with EU institutions, allowing local leaders to engage directly in Brussels and showcase Malaga's expertise in trade, logistics, and international governance

Construction has officially begun on Hospital Virgen de la Esperanza, the **fifth public hospital** in Malaga city. Scheduled for completion in 2028.

After seven strong storms and record rainfall, Malaga's **reservoirs reached their highest levels in 10 years**, storing enough water for approximately four

Events

H&T Hospitality Innovation Fair, held February 2–4, showcased southern Europe's leading trade fair for the hospitality, hotel, and tourism sectors. Over 600 companies exhibited, while the programme featured a Kitchen Lab, sommelier sessions, and the 7th H&T Awards recognizing HORECA innovation.

VII Small Satellites & Services International Forum (SSSIF), February 17–19, gathered more than 500 professionals from over 20 countries in Malaga. NATO, NASA, ESA, and the Spanish Space Agency participated for the first time, with astronauts Pedro Duque and Michael Lopez-Alegría headlining the closing session on the future of human spaceflight.



Transfiere, celebrating its 15th edition, brought together 4,700 participants from over 30 countries for Spain's leading forum on science, technology, and innovation transfer on February 24–26. With Korea as guest country, 300 speakers across 100 panels covered AI, deep tech, and public-private collaboration, marking a milestone edition.

Malaga hosted the **3rd GINI Global Innopolis Forum** from February 23–25, welcoming 70 participants from six innovation-driven cities and regions: Daejeon (South Korea), Dortmund (Germany), Malaga (Spain), Montgomery County (USA), Québec Province (Canada), and Seattle (USA). Over three days, government, university, R&D, and industry leaders presented joint projects, held workshops on AI, international investment, and collaboration, and visited the Malaga innovation ecosystem. Global Innópolis Network Initiative (GINI) connects cities with similar size and tech ecosystems to drive urban innovation, competitiveness, and sustainable growth.



29th Malaga Film Festival ran March 6–15, presenting 263 audiovisual works from 71 countries and attracting nearly 111,000 attendees. The Biznaga de Oro for Best Ibero-American Film was awarded to *El jardín que soñamos* by Joaquín del Paso.

eMobility Expo World Congress (MOW) brought together over 6,000 experts in electrified, connected, and autonomous mobility on March 10–11. The congress featured sessions on urban planning, emissions reduction, and cutting-edge mobility technologies.



On March 10, the **Costa Press Club**, a non-profit of international media professionals on the Costa del Sol, hosted a forum on artificial intelligence, supported by Malaga Open For Business. Around 25 journalists and communications experts attended a short talk and networking aperitif, promoting Promalaga and Flex Work.

The **IMFE Employment Fair** (12 March) drew over 6,000 job seekers to FYCMA, with 300+ live vacancies on offer.

5th Andalusia Cybersecurity Congress, held March 24–25, brought together

specialist talks, 9 debate panels, and 11 workshops.



HolANDALucía, held March 25 in Málaga, connected Dutch and Spanish investors, startups, and scale-ups through pitches, panels, and a beachside networking cocktail. More than 100 participants attended the event, organized by the Andalusian Business Angels Association (AABAN). The program featured participation from Roel Nieuwenkamp, Ambassador of the Netherlands to Spain, and Alicia Izquierdo, Malaga's City Councillor for Innovation.

Malaga Work Bay's quarterly gathering on March 26, brought together nearly 60 digital nomads and remote workers at Impact Hub Perchel. The discussion focused on Integrating the Global with the Local, exploring how the city's growing international community influences local life and contributes to its global innovation ecosystem.



By the Numbers

8,012 new companies in Malaga province in 2025, strongest year in 25 years and a 6.25% annual increase, ranking behind only Madrid and Barcelona on a national level. The province accounted for 37% of all new firms created in

€36 million in British investment in the first half of 2025 positioned Andalucía as the third-ranking Spanish region, with UK companies supporting over 22,800 jobs, according to the 10th edition of the British Chamber of Commerce (BCC) in Spain's Barometer on UK investment.

Malaga province led Andalusia in 2024 with **€370 million in gross foreign investment**, nearly 45% of the regional total, according to the 8th edition of the Malaga Foreign Investment Barometer presented on February 3. The province also recorded the largest annual growth in the region, up 173% from 2023, tripling the investment received compared to the previous year.



26.7 million passengers passed through the Malaga-Costa del Sol international airport in 2025, a historic record and the highest year-on-year growth among Spain's major airports (+7.4%).

14.65 million tourists visited the Costa del Sol in 2025, the highest figure on record. Tourism generated €21.8 billion in revenue (+2.8%), while tourism employment reached a historic 152,162 jobs, up 10% year-on-year, according to Turismo Costa del Sol.

€1.352 billion in public investment was allocated to Malaga province in 2025 — the highest figure since 2007 and the largest in Andalusia, according to the Asociación de Constructores y Promotores (ACP Malaga).

29,018 employees work at Malaga TechPark (formerly PTA) across **719 companies**, generating a combined revenue of €4.896 billion in 2025. The park received €56.5 million in investment (up 52.7 %), while **R&D spending exceeded €255 million**, supporting 3,275 direct R&D jobs. It hosts 73 foreign companies from 22 countries, employing around 8,000 people.

International Trips & Visitors



A delegation led by Alicia Izquierdo, City Councillor for Innovation, Digitalisation and Investment Attraction, represented Malaga at the **Smart City Summit & Expo & Net Zero 2026 in Taipei, Taiwan** (March 17–20). The city showcased its innovation ecosystem before international peers and met with Taipei's Vice Mayor to explore AI-driven urban cooperation. The delegation also visited Hsinchu Science Park, meeting with Accton Technology and the County Government to open exploratory talks on investment linked to Malaga's growing microelectronics hub.

A European delegation from **Germany, France, the Netherlands, Poland, Hungary, and Bulgaria** visited Malaga to assess its bid to host the EU Customs Authority (EUCA), touring proposed offices, Malaga TechPark, and the city center. The city is supporting Spain's national bid and competes with eight other European cities for the new agency.

March 29– April 5	Holy Week - Semana Santa
May 18–20	International Association of Golf Tour Operators (IAGTO) – European Convention
June 2–5	European Conference on Networks and Communications (EuCNC) & 6G Summit
June 9–11	Digital Enterprise Show (DES)
June 19	ECongress – E-commerce, Social Media & Digital Marketing
June 22–23	CM Málaga – Culture & Museums Tech Forum
July 3	Premios Iris Games
July 3–4	Guadalindie – The Indie Videogames Fair of the South
July 3–5	Andalucía Play Fest
July 3–5	Retropixel
July 8–10	Talent Land España
Aug. 15–22	Malaga Cultural Fair – Feria
Sept. 15–16	Green Cities – Urban Intelligence & Smart Mobility
Sept. 15–16	VI Congreso Smart City RECI
Sept. 20–24	52nd European Conference on Optical Communication (ECOC)
Sept. 24–25	Global Photonics Economic Forum
Oct. 1–4	San Diego Comic-Con Malaga
Oct.	Leading Girls
Oct. 14–16	GIA Longevity LifeSpain: Extending What Matters Summit
Oct. 29–30	J on the Beach – Big Data Conference
Nov. 3–5	Expo AgriTech
Nov.	Upscale Conf: IA y Málaga
Nov.	Wey Wey Web – for UI lovers
Nov. 12–14	SIMED – Mediterranean Real Estate Exhibition

Foreign Business Groups in the Area

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The logo for Málaga, featuring the word "málaga" in a bold, lowercase, sans-serif font. The letter "a" has a small circle above it, resembling a traditional Spanish "ale" or a stylized "a".

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