

MAP OF EUROPEAN COWORKING SPACES

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MORE PROOF OF HOW TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING THE WAY WE WORK

Just as we've said numerous times on FACE Entrepreneurship, the moment when you decide you want to be an entrepreneur is the most difficult for many founders. Deciding what resources to invest in and how to break up the tasks is no easy matter.

Without a doubt, and at a time when technology allows us to work from wherever we are with our phones, laptops and tablets, physical infrastructure needs (such as offices) have greatly decreased.

However, it's not always easy to work from home or maybe you need meeting rooms from time to time to collaborate with others or meet with investors, suppliers, etc. In that case, coworking spaces are definitely your best friends.

WHY COWORKING IS AN INTERESTING CONCEPT FOR ENTREPRENEURS

Coworking means more than just sharing physical or virtual office space, it's based on a collaborative philosophy which then turns into authentic social platforms.

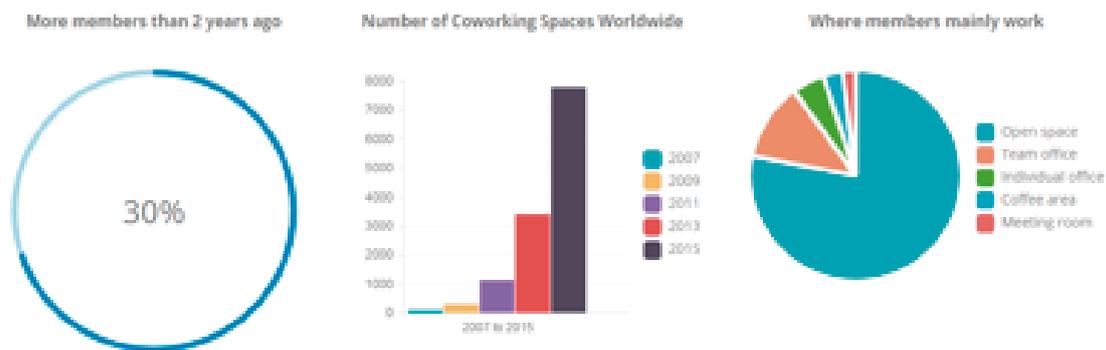
This focus allows independent professionals, entrepreneurs or SMEs to develop their own projects at the same time as they build common initiative, share resources such as office space, printers, phones, internet connections etc.

Among other advantages this model favors professional relationships among workers from different sectors, often times complimentary to one another, which can lead to supplier-customer relationships, shared portfolios, larger customer bases, etc.

That's why since 2010 and with the development of a more digital economy hundreds of social workplaces have been popping up in cities across the world. Europe is one of the geographical areas where this movement has grown the most with countries like the UK, France, Germany and Spain leading the pack of coworking spaces.

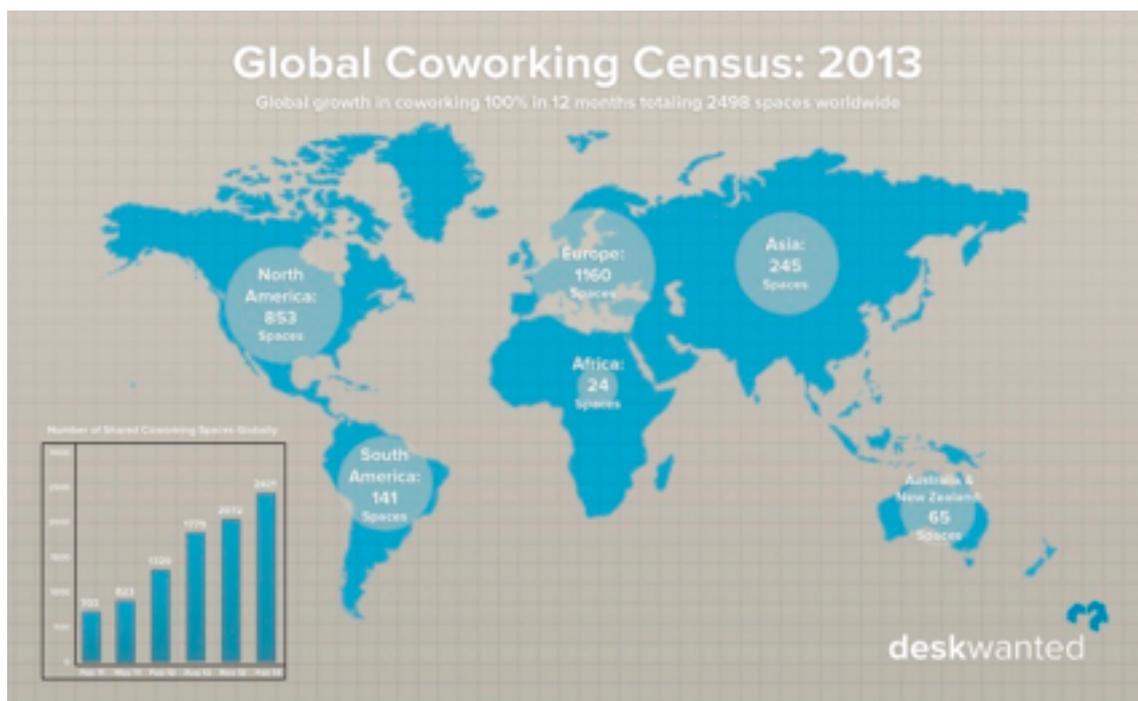
COWORKING MAP

According to a study carried out by **Deskmag** and **socialworkplaces.com**, pioneers in the professionalization of coworking space management, in the last two years the use of coworking spaces has increased by 30%, reaching 7,800 spaces around the whole world and 510,000 users whose favorite places to work are open spaces.



Results of the Last Global Coworking Survey 2015
Source: socialworkplace.com

According to the most recent **Global Coworking Census** (2013), carried out by Deskwanted (Deskmag), Europe has 1,160 coworking spaces. The growth detected in the previously mentioned study is mainly concentrated in Asia, which leads us to determine that the number of coworking spaces reaches about 2,000.



Global Coworking Census: 2013
Source: Deskwanted

In short, we can see how this option is gaining more fans year after year, becoming an increasingly consolidated alternative, especially in Europe.

COWORKING EUROPE CONFERENCE 2016

Proof of this consolidation is the **Coworking Europe Conference** which is holding its 6th edition this year in Brussels.

This conference was created in 2011 to respond to the needs and concerns arising under the rapid growth of the coworking movement.

Its aim is to act globally, especially in Europe, to work with governments to achieve regulation as a recognized economic activity and create rules to define a legislative framework that helps protect both the promoters of these workplaces and their users.

If you're interested as a user or as a business model the Coworking Europe Conference 2016 will be held on November 28-30, and where they will discuss the evolution of these offices and their impact on entrepreneurship and innovation with over 400 attendees from Europe, North America and around the world.

TEN UNIQUE COWORKING SPACES

What do users look for when choosing these types of offices? Latest technology and equipment? Who the others are in the office? Interestingly enough, many things people take into consideration are some emotional factors, things like being able to take a pet to work, childcare options, or the surrounding neighborhood are all ultimately features that make these spaces unique.

Let's show you some of the most spectacular or curious coworking spaces in the world, 5 of them being from Europe, naturally:

- 1. **Citizen Space** in San Francisco, because apart from creating a collaborative environment and promoting values such as tolerance and accessibility, they also encourage coexistence between humans and pets.

YES, YOU CAN HAVE YOUR DOGGY INTERN AT THE OFFICE!

- 2. **CocoVivo** located in Bocas del Toro (Panama), situado en Bocas del Toro (Panamá), smack da bon a tropical island and with access to water sports in a unique setting.
- 3. **Paragraph** (New York) is a specialized coworking centre. It's a space dedicated to writers in the heart of New York. Paragraph offers 24 hour services 365 days a year,

BECAUSE LIKE PICASSO SAID, "INSPIRATION ONLY COMES WHEN YOU'RE WORKING!"

- 4. **The Hive** (Hong Kong), we've had to travel half way around the world to get to number 4, which can be found on the 21st floor in one of Hong Kong's skyscrapers. Without a doubt, the entrepreneurs at The Hive have no doubts about aiming high.
- 5. **Cowo360** (Rome) fits into the middle of this list, it is the ideal place for designers and artists right in the central nerve of Rome.
- 6. **Impact Hub Islington** is one of the forefathers of coworking centres. It has become a network of international spaces that can be found in 8 countries and more than 650 markets.
- 7. **The Factory** (Berlin) with a location more than significant, The Factory is located on the former route of the Berlin Wall and built thanks to the collaboration of several multinational internet companies. And more than just a coworking centre, it also has a business accelerator.

THERE ARE NO BORDERS FOR ENTREPRENEURS!

- 8. **Betahouse Barcelona** (Spain) is probably one of the largest coworking centres with more than 2,000 m2 and with expansion plans in the works, as well as being home to more than 150 coworkers from different nationalities.
- 9. **Campus London** was created by Google with the goal of bringing together entrepreneurs and technology in the UK.
- 10. **Freespace** (<http://freespace.io/>) (San Francisco) is the last on our list and which boasts being the workspace for a various number of sectors from art to engineering.

(Based on the article '**Los 10 mejores centros de coworking del mundo**').

FIND COWORKING SPACES IN EUROPE

As we have previously said European countries that have had the greatest impact on coworking spaces are Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom and France. So, here are some resources to find coworking centres in these countries:

- Germany

- **Coworking News** (<http://www.coworking-news.de/>)
- **Coworking.de** (<https://www.coworking.de/>)
- **Startup Blink** (<http://www.startupblink.com/Germany-coworking-spaces>)

- Spain

- **Spanish coworking association** (<http://asociacioncoworking.es/>)
- **Coworking Spain** (<http://coworkingspain.es/magazine>)

- United Kingdom

- **Coworking News** (<http://www.coworking-news.de/european-coworking-directory/#uk>)
- **Coworking London** (<http://www.coworkinglondon.com/co-working-spaces/>)
- **Desk Surfing** (<http://www.desksurfing.net/desks?commit=Search&location=United+Kingdom&utf8=%E2%9C%93>)
- **International coworking directory**

(https://www.google.com/fusiontables/DataSource?docid=1_lxC9nly3gwBkhEmhKcof6r1nxDr-NfGyqhIhP4#rows:id=1)

- France

- **Coworking France** (<http://www.coworking-france.net/>)
- **Coworking Carte** (<http://coworking-carte.fr/>)

Other websites that may interest your about coworking in Europe

- **Deskmag** (<http://www.deskmag.com/en/coworking-spaces>)
- **Coworking Europe** (<http://coworkingeurope.net/>)

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<u>Co-working Croatia</u>	http://coworking.hr/en/	Croatia
TPZ-RAZA	http://www.raza.hr/eng/	Croatia
CoreHUB	http://www.coreincubator.com/contact-us/	Croatia
BIZkoshnica	http://www.bizkoshnica.biz/	Croatia
HUB385	http://hub385.com/	Croatia
<u>Centrum volného času</u>	http://www.cvcmesice.cz/	Czech Republic
LEO Innovation Lab	http://leoinnovationlab.com/#About	Denmark
Technopolis	http://www.technopolis.ee/en/about-us/	Estonia
Minimum Viable Officeby Artic Startup	http://www.minimumviableoffice.com/	Finland
Minimum Viable Officeby Artic Startup	http://www.minimumviableoffice.com/	Finland
L'Usine à Belfort	http://www.lusineabelfort.fr/entrepreneurs	France
Coworking Lille	http://www.coworkinglille.com/espace.php	France
LABOATE	http://laboate.com/coworking-tarifs/	France
Au Comptoir	http://www.comptoir-numerique.fr/contact/	France

Numerique		
Soleilles COWORK	http://soleillescowork.com/	France
Mutinerie	http://www.mutinerie.org/contacter-mutinerie/#.VzxoWPmLSUk	France
Dojocrea	http://dojo.fr/	France
La Cantine Toulouse	http://lacantine-toulouse.org/contact.html	France
La Coroutine	http://lacoroutine.org/	France
Les Satellites	http://www.lessatellites.fr/coworking-teletravail/contact-les-satellites-6-6-0-0.html	France
La Plage	http://www.laplagedigitale.eu/contact/	France
La Poudrière	http://poudriere.org/#sthash.32qi45y9.dpuf	France
Col'inn	http://www.col-inn.net/le-coworking/	France
La vaisseau Coworking	http://levaisseau.pro/contact/	France
Coworking Merignac	coworking-merignac.com/#sthash.32qi45y9.dpuf	France
La Cantine by TVT Innovation	http://www.lacantine-toulon.org/Contact	France
La Cantine Numérique	lacantine-rennes.net	France
Lawomatic	http://www.lawomatic.fr/	France
Com la lune	http://comlalune.com/contact-coworking-bordeaux/	France
Numa	https://www.numa.paris	France

Remix Coworking	http://www.remixcoworking.com/#remix-coworking-paris	France
Studio Singuliers	http://studios-singuliers.fr/le-coworking/	France
Mutualab	http://www.mutualab.org/#sthash.32gi45y9.dpuf	France
Co-factory	http://co-factory.fr/co-factory/co-factory.html	France
La ruche	http://la-ruche.net/cest-quoi/	France
Les docks Numériques	http://www.lesdocks.net/	France
BetaHaus	http://www.betahaus.com/berlin/blog/	Germany
Impact Hub Munich	http://munich.impacthub.net/	Germany
CoLab Workspace	www.colabworkspace.com	Grecia
Orange Grove	http://orangegrove.biz/contact/	Grecia
The Cube	http://thecube.gr/	Grecia
Tzaferi	http://www.tzaferi16.gr/en/	Grecia
Impact Hub	http://athens.impacthub.net/en/	Grecia
ACE Enterprise Park	http://acepark.ie/overview/	Ireland
Bolbrook Enterprise Centre	http://www.partas.ie/	Ireland
Cluster	http://cluster.ie/	Ireland

CoCreate	http://www.cocreate.ie/	Ireland
CoWorkinn	http://www.coworkinn.com/	Ireland
DCU Alpha	http://www4.dcu.ie/innovationcampus/contact.shtml	Ireland
DoSpace Dublin	http://www.dospace.ie/	Ireland
Element 78	http://www.element78.co/	Ireland
FlexHuddle	http://flexhuddle.com/	Ireland
Fumbally Exchange	http://www.fumballyexchange.com/	Ireland
Gravity Centres	http://gravitycentres.com/	Ireland
Harbour View Business Centre	http://harbourview.ie/	Ireland
Liffey Trust Hub	http://www.liffeytrust.ie/	Ireland
Northside Partnership	http://northsidepartnership.ie/enterprise	Ireland
Nutgrove Enterprise Park	https://www.nutgrove-enterprisepark.ie/	Ireland
Regus Ballsbridge Business Center	http://www.regus.ie/locations/office-space/dublin-4-ballsbridge	Ireland
Regus House Harcourt Business Center	http://www.regus.ie/locations/office-space/dublin-2-harcourt	Ireland

TCube Dublin	http://tcubedublin.com/tcube/index.html	Ireland
The Digital Hub	http://www.thedigitalhub.com/	Ireland
The Guinness Enterprise Centre	http://www.gec.ie/	Ireland
The Link Business Centre	http://www.linkbc.ie/	Ireland
TOG Dublin Hackerspace	http://www.tog.ie/	Ireland
The Hub Milano	http://www.coworkingmilano.com/	Italy
COWO Italy	http://coworkingproject.com	Italy
COWO Bologna/Stazione	http://www.coworkingproject.com/coworking-network/bologna-stazione/	Italy
COWO Bologna/QuattordiciA	http://www.coworkingproject.com/coworking-network/bologna-quattordicia/	Italy
COWO Bologna/Giardini Margherita	http://www.coworkingproject.com/coworking-network/bologna-giardinimargherita/	Italy
COWO Confartigianato	http://www.coworkingproject.com/coworking-network/arezzo-confartigianato/	Italy
COWO Baraccola	http://www.coworkingproject.com/coworking-network/ancona-baraccola/	Italy
Matera Hub	http://www.materahub.com/?lang=en	Italy
The Shed Coworking	http://www.theshedcoworking.com/	Spain

Work In Company	http://workincompany.com/	Spain
La naves	http://www.collaborativespace.lasnaves.com	Spain
Ucrania	http://www.espacioucrania.com/	Spain

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