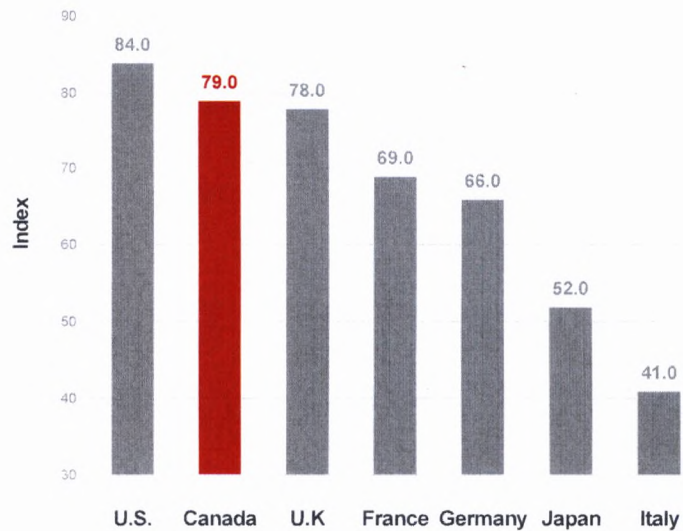


...and has one of the world's best business climates for entrepreneurs.

- According to the *Global Entrepreneurship Index**—a measure of the health of a country's entrepreneurship ecosystem—Canada ranks second in the G7 and third among 137 countries.
- Canadian policymakers are better equipped than those in most economies to implement policies that support entrepreneurship innovation, productivity and job creation.



Global Entrepreneurship Index* G7 Ranking



*The Global Entrepreneurship Index ranks countries based on 3 sub-indices: entrepreneurial attitudes, entrepreneurial abilities and entrepreneurial aspirations standing on 14 pillars: opportunity perception, start-up skills, risk acceptance, networking, cultural support, opportunity start-up, technology absorption, human capital, competition, product innovation, process innovation, high growth, internationalization and risk capital.
Source: Global Entrepreneurship Index 2018 – The Global Entrepreneurship and Development Institute, November 29, 2017

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A PROMISING VENUE FOR INNOVATION & INVESTMENT