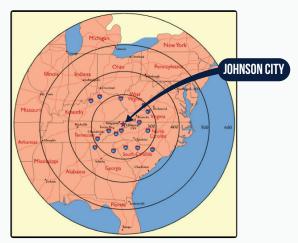
## **LOCATION**



JOHNSON CITY IS A PREMIER CENTRAL LOCATION IN THE EASTERN UNITED STATES IN THE HEART OF THE APPALACHIAN HIGHLANDS.



"I would like to
express my sincere
gratitude for the
support you have
provided to our team
at BorTec.
Your facility has been
instrumental in
helping us get our
expansion into the U.S.
market off the ground,

done it without your expertise and resources. The Innovation Lab has been an invaluable resource for us. Your commitment to fostering innovation and entrepreneurship in the Johnson City region is truly remarkable, and we are fortunate to be a part of your community Thank you again for your unwavering support of BorTec and other businesses in the region. We look forward to continuing our partnership with the ETSU Innovation Lab as we grow our business and contribute to the economic development of the region."

-RALPH HUNGER, CEO BORTEC



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# TRANSFORMING THE FUTURE THROUGH INNOVATION



"Being a member of the ETSU Innovation Lab in Johnson City, Tennessee, and playing an integral role in the International Soft Landings' program has been, and still is, a great experience for me.

Our business has developed extensively with the help of the  ${\tt ETSU}$  Innovation Lab.

The professional business environment, together with a vast network of industry experts, has made the launch of our company in the United States a great success."

- AXEL HEBMULLER. CEO HEBMULLER GROUP



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## CERTIFIED INTERNATIONAL SOFT LANDINGS DESIGNATION



The International Business Innovation Association (InBIA) Soft Landings network ensures that businesses entering or expanding into a new country are provided with an accelerated introduction to that country's business practices, regulations and culture.

#### LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL ASSISTANCE

- Translation services
- Language & Cultural training

#### **BUSINESS SERVICES**

- Business consultations with highly trained staff
- Domestic market research and entry assistance
- Intellectual property protection assistance
- Help meeting government regulations
- Help with import/export laws
- Patent assistance
- Help obtaining business and driver's licenses
- Housing assistance
- Liaisons for collaboration between ETSU's research expertise and facilities
- Synergism with fellow entrepreneurs
- Publicity and visibility related to the Innovation
- Laboratory
- Individual business mailboxes

The Innovation Lab and Northeast Tennessee Valley Regional Industrial Development Association (NETVRIDA) partner with organizations that share a commitment to the economic development of Northeast Tennessee and the successful integration of foreign companies into the economy. These partners provide resources that ensure foreign companies a "soft landing" into the U.S. business world.

## **FACILITIES**



WET LABS \$18 PER SQ FT.



OFFICE SPACE \$10 PER SO FT.



"The ETSU Innovation Lab's
Certified Soft Landings'
designation in partnership
with the Northeast Tennessee
Valley Regional Industrial
Development Association
(NETVRIDA) has assisted more
than a dozen international
companies to affordably and

successfully launch their entrance into the North American market. It is amazing to see these high-quality companies develop their markets, grow their sales and create jobs in the USA."

- ALAN BRIDWELL. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NETVRIDA

### **SHARED SPACES**



### **PODCAST STUDIO**



TRAINING CENTER



**ENTREPRENEUR & RESOURCE CENTER**