



## The Smartest Places on Earth: Why Rustbelts Are the Emerging Hotspots of Global Innovation

By Antoine Agtmael

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