

# Germany a valuable partner: PM

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived here today on the first leg of his six-day, four-nation tour of Germany, Spain, Russia and France aimed at boosting bilateral economic engagement with them and inviting more investment for India's transformation.

"Reached Germany. I am sure this visit will lead to beneficial outcomes & deepen India-Germany friendship," Modi tweeted in English and German after landing here.



His Germany visit, which he described as a "new chapter" in bilateral relations, will begin with a meeting with Chancellor Angela Merkel at her country retreat of Schloss Meseberg.

Both leaders will discuss

issues of mutual interest in an informal setting over dinner at the 18th-century palace, nearly 80 km northwest of Berlin.

"I am confident that this visit will open a new chapter in our bilateral cooperation with Germany and further deepen our strategic partnership," Modi said in a Facebook post ahead of his visit.

Describing Germany as a valuable partner, the Indian Prime Minister said, "German competencies fit well with my vision for India's transformation."