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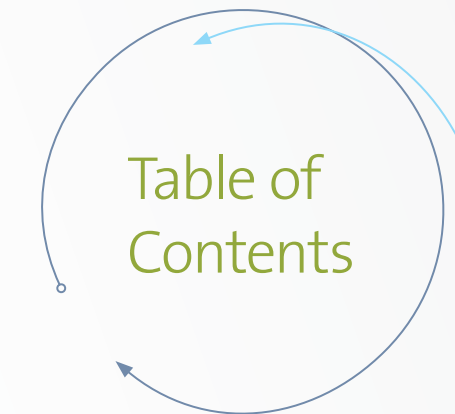


Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority

SAGIA

“Saudi Arabia is the largest and fastest growing economy in the Middle East and North Africa”

The World Bank



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Welcome to Saudi Arabia



A farsighted leadership committed to economic development and the well-being of its nation.

“The world we live in is constantly changing. For this reason, we are committed to continue with our work to develop the nation – liberating the economy, improving government and administration, and implementing balanced policies – developing, Allah willing, towards a bright future. As always, the quality of what we produce is more important than the quantity in enabling us to reap the maximum benefit. The Kingdom’s reforms in the economic, investment, and administrative fields, have raised the competitiveness of our economy and encouraged Saudi, foreign and joint investments and provided them with a wide range of incentives and support. This is reflected in the increased investment by global companies, who have chosen the Kingdom as one of the most attractive and least risky destination for investment”

The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques

King Abdullah bin Abdul Aziz Al-Saud



Message from the Governor



“Saudi Arabia has a stellar record of growth and transformation, offering many investment opportunities while growing and diversifying its economy. An exciting and a rewarding opportunity for those who want to be part of our journey”

Our vision is to be known as a leading investment destination that promotes a diversified knowledge based economy and drives a sustainable socio-economic growth.

Our mission is to promote, attract, and grow quality investments in untapped sectors while fostering an exceptional business environment.

Our aim is to leverage the Kingdom’s resources, advantages, and motivated human capital to emerge as a regional hub and a perfect place for globally leading and innovative enterprises; large and small.

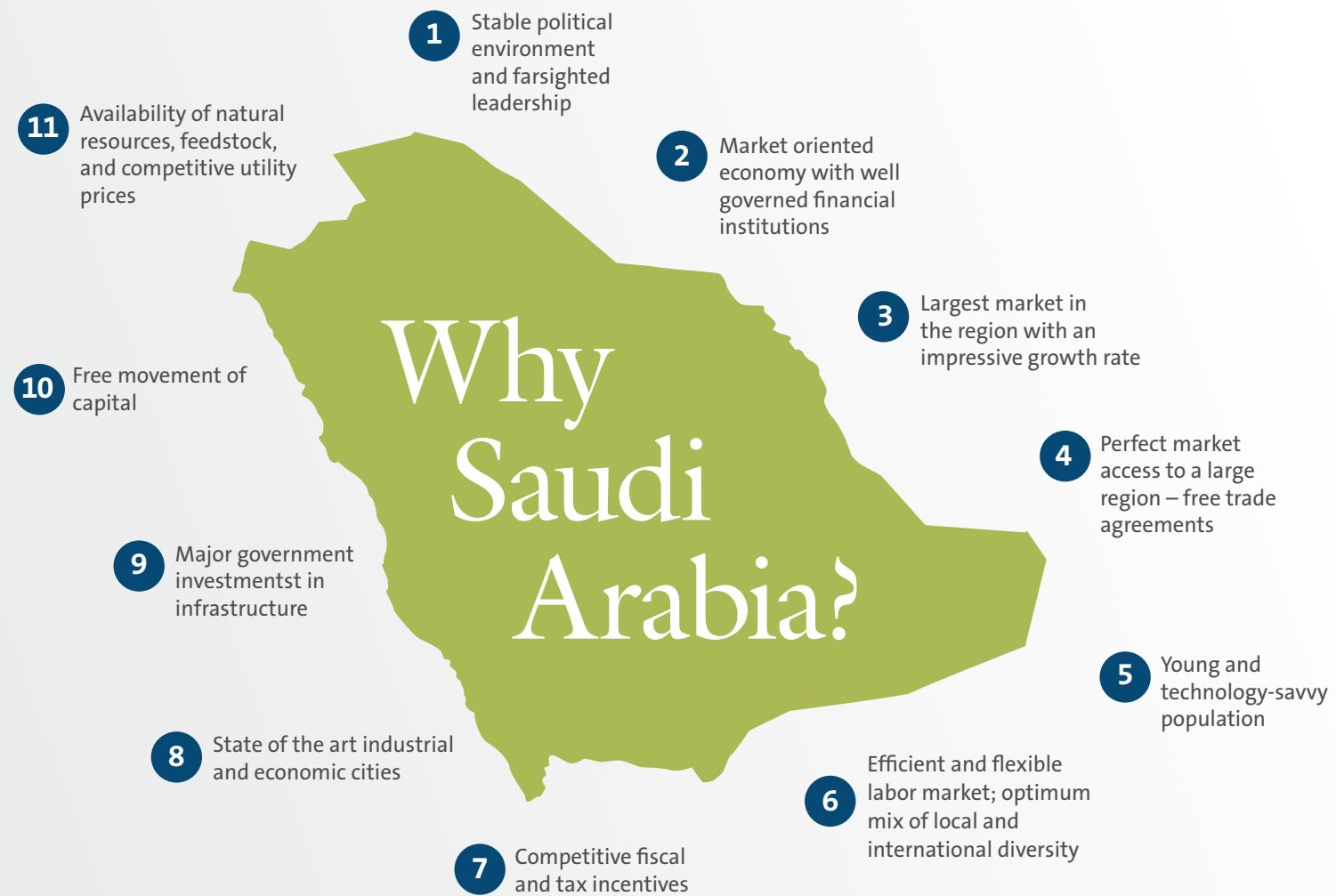
By capitalizing on our skills, capabilities, and successful partnerships; we in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia are confident that our promise to investors for an exceptional and a rewarding experience will be a reality.

“Don’t Settle for Less, Be Part of Our Exciting Journey”

Abdullatif Al-Othman

Governor, Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority (SAGIA)

Why Saudi Arabia?



King Abdullah
Financial District
- Riyadh

“Value Adding
Investors that transfer
know-how and create
qualified jobs for
young Saudis will
receive our utmost
attention”

What We
Look for ?

Value Adding Investor

- Investors with track record and leaders in their sectors
- Diversify the economy, create qualified jobs, and transfer technology
- Investors with sound business plans
- Innovative SMEs
- Enhance the competitiveness of KSA's exports and services



“Our economy and business environment are both open and business savvy. Investors can gain market access on their own”

Starting a Business

To start a business in Saudi Arabia, there are 3 main phases:



Inception



Incorporation



Operations

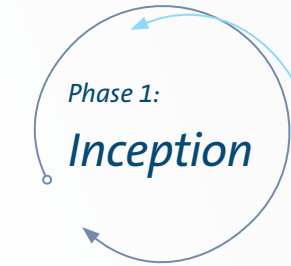


Phase	Steps
1. Inception	Obtaining an Investment License
2. Incorporation	Obtaining Commercial Registration (CR)
	Opening file 700 at Labor Office
	Obtaining General Manager Visa
	Issuing an Iqama (residency permit) for General Manager
	Subscribing to the Chamber of Commerce (CoC)
3. Operations (kick-off)	Subscribing to the Department of Zakat and Income Tax
	Subscribing to GOSI
	Issuing Municipal License

For further details on how to start a business in Saudi Arabia, please refer to the “Investors’ Guide to Starting a Business in Saudi Arabia”, which is located at the back of the brochure.



“Foreign investors can own up to 100% of their investments in the Kingdom (excluding retail businesses and professional consulting services)”



- Obtaining the investment license

Investors are highly encouraged to apply directly on their own through our website or Business Centers (free of charge).

First, the investor must define the type of business activity among the following 10 options:

- 1- Industrial
- 2- Commercial
- 3- Specialized services
- 4- Non-specialized services
- 5- Contracting
- 6- Real estate
- 7- Advisory
- 8- Agricultural
- 9- Temporary license
- 10- Scientific and technical office

Notes:

- Investments should not be part of the negative list
- Some activities require preliminary approval of the ministries and departments concerned, such as: Financial services, insurance, media, tourism, health, education, training, food and medicine industry

Basic requirements for all activities

Complete the online investment license application (https://crms.sagia.gov.sa/invlicselfreg_ar) and upload the following documents (all translated in Arabic)

1. Board resolution to invest in the Kingdom stating : names of partners, capital, share of each partner, activity and appointment of General Manager- all certified by the competent authorities and the Saudi Embassy*
2. Copy of the company's Commercial Registration (CR) in its native country certified by the competent authorities and the Saudi Embassy*
3. Copy of the company's articles of association certified by the competent authorities and the Saudi Embassy*
4. Copy of the General Manager's passport
5. CV for each partner - in the case of individuals
6. Company Profile
7. A copy of the trade name registration
8. If the activity requires the approval of a specific authority (e.g. Financial Services - Insurance - Health - Information - Tourism - Education) upload the preliminary approval of the relevant ministry
9. Company business plans for investment in Saudi Arabia

10. Job localization plan
11. Project milestones
12. Submit 3 years financial statements certified by the Saudi Embassy

*** All OECD countries are exempted from certification**

- Additional Requirements by Type of Activity

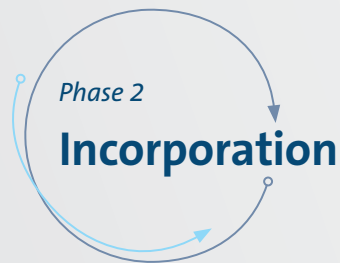
Industrial and Trading	
Type of Activity	Additional Requirements
Industrial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum capital required is SAR 1 million• Bank statement proving financial means to cover minimum capital• Deposit capital in a bank licensed in Saudi Arabia and provide statement prior to obtaining CR• Proof of land availability• Feasibility study
Trading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum capital required is SAR 20 million for foreign investors• Bank statement proving financial means to cover minimum capital• Deposit capital in a bank licensed in Saudi Arabia and provide statement prior to obtaining CR• Saudi partner with at least a 25% share• Train 15% of Saudi employees yearly• Undertake to open 1 branch per region only

Specialised Services and Non Specialised Services	
Type of Activity	Additional Requirements
Specialised Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum capital required is SAR100 thousand• Bank statement proving financial means to cover minimum capital• Deposit capital in a bank licensed in Saudi Arabia and provide statement prior to obtaining CR• Obtain preliminary approval by relevant authority
Non Specialised Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum capital required is SAR100 thousand• Bank statement proving financial means to cover minimum capital certified by Saudi Embassy

Contracting and Real Estate	
Type of Activity	Additional Requirements
Contracting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrated past experience developing quality projects in the same field• To be classified in country of origin in the same field with at least a level 3 – certified by Saudi Embassy• For other requirements please refer to the following link: www.sagia.gov.sa/Documents/Wizard/new_requirements_contracting_activity_En_updated.pdf
Real Estate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum value of property SAR 30million• Bank statement proving financial means to cover minimum capital certified by Saudi Embassy• Cities of Makkah and Madinah are excluded• Submit a certification of the value of the real estate and cost of the project by an independant certified architect or engineer

Agricultural and Consulting	
Type of Activity	Additional Requirements
Agricultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minimum capital required is SAR 25 million• Must prove to have 25% minimum of the total capital• Approval from Saudi Ministry of Agriculture
Consulting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 75% Saudization level with written commitment• The person requesting the license should have at least an MBA – certified by Saudi Embassy• Should operate in same field for at least 5 years

Temporary License and Technical and Scientific Office	
Type of Activity	Additional Requirements
Temporary license	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 photos of General Manager• Copy of bid result
Technical and Scientific Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name of company of Saudi agent• Letter of no objection by Saudi agent of the company's opening scientific and technical office to provide scientific and technical services for the company's customers certified by Chambers of Commerce (CoC)• Demonstrate that parent company is industrial and specify number of technical employees required• 2 photos of General Manager



- Obtaining General Manager visa

1. Recommendation letter from SAGIA
2. Complete visa application form
3. Undertaking to obtain Commercial Registration (CR)
4. Copy of General Manager (GM) passport
5. Copy of SAGIA license
6. Partners' resolution for GM appointment or a copy of articles of association highlighting the appointment of the GM
7. Legal empowerment of a law firm (should an investor chose to hire a legal firm)
8. Copy of ID of person with power of attorney
9. Certification of all official papers (translated into Arabic) from the Saudi Embassy in the country of the parent company

- Issuing an Iqama (residency permit)

1. Complete the application form in print and stamp it with company seal
2. Copy of SAGIA license
3. Valid commercial registration number or in absence of that; signing of an undertaken to provide it within 1 month
4. Copy of the passport with entry visa
5. A complete medical examination
6. Payment of fees
7. Proof of Medical Insurance
8. Certified document of General Manager appointment (for the issuance of a General Manager iqama)

- Obtaining Commercial Registration

• Issuing a Commercial Registration Number for Companies (LLC)

1. Complete application form
2. Copy of SAGIA license
3. Original and copy of Article of Association (AoA) certified by a notary
4. A copy of the official Gazette or local Gazette with summary of the AoA
5. Original bank statement for capital deposit
6. List of Partners and managers
7. The company's headquarters rent contract or property deed
8. Partner's decision to appoint directors
9. Power of attorney (certified) for the delegated applicant + his photo
10. Copy of license from the competent authorities if required by the company's activities, for example, (Ministry of Defense - Ministry of Information - Food and Drug Authority etc...)
11. ID of Saudi appointed directors . As for foreign directors, copy of passport + endorsement from SAGIA in absence of the Iqama

• Issuing a commercial registration number for the branch of a foreign company:

1. A copy of SAGIA license
2. Original bank statement for capital deposit
3. Copy of power of attorney to applicant + his ID
4. Power of attorney given to the Branch Manager in one of the local authorized banks
5. A copy of the company's certificate of incorporation (and the commercial registration) translated into Arabic and certified by the Saudi Embassy in the country of origin and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
6. Partners' resolution to open a branch in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia translated and certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Embassy of Saudi Arabia
7. Copy of Branch Manager iqama

- Opening file 700 at labour office

1. Fill specific form (file opening form) and stamp it with company seal
2. Address a letter to the Ministry of Labour representative at SAGIA service center requesting opening file 700 in the hiring department.
3. Copy of Commercial Registration
4. Copy of SAGIA license

- Obtaining CoC membership

1. Fill Subscription form (Form 25) signed by the owner or empowered person
2. Original and copy of commercial registration
3. Original and copy of ID and iqama of the GM
4. Original and copy of power of attorney for delegated person
5. Original and copy of certificate of Incorporation
6. Pay fees

The subscription must be renewed yearly



- *Subscribing to Department of Zakat & Income Tax*

1. Fill out the subscription form available on-line at: www.dzit.gov.sa
2. Copy of main commercial registration and branches
3. Copy of SAGIA license
4. Copy of Saudi ID for Saudis or passport + iqama for each foreign partner or General Manager
5. A copy of the leases or title deeds
6. Bank certificate issued by the local bank for the capital deposit
7. AoA certificate registered by the notary

- *Subscribing to GOSI*

1. Register on-line through the following website: www.gosi.gov.sa
2. Copy of CR, SAGIA license and Company's AoA.
3. Copy of passport and iqama of the GM
4. AoA stating appointment of GM or Company resolution of his appointment
5. Provide names of employees

- *Issuing Municipal License*

- Original and copy of valid commercial registration
- Original and copy of the rent contract (provided by real estate office) valid for at least six months and certified by the Chamber of Commerce + copy and original of rent payment receipt
- Copy of property deed
- Copy of building permit
- Copy of electricity bill
- Masterplan with location coordinates
- A picture of the shop façade reflecting municipal specifications and photographs of the site internally + remote image showing the building and the general location from distance
- Sketch of how to get to the location and mobile number to reach
- Approvals of the relevant official bodies to start the activity



Low Cost Financing & Incentives

- SIDF (Saudi Industrial Development Fund)

- The Saudi Industrial Development Fund (SIDF) offers low interest loans for up to 50% of project capital or up to SR 600 million (U.S. \$160 million) whichever is lower.
- Low interest loans for up to 75% of project capital for certain areas such as Southern and North-Western regions.
- Loans are provided for a maximum term of 20 years, including two years grace period with repayment schedules designed to match the projected cash flow of the project.

- PIF (Public Investment Fund)

- Since 1971 KSA's Public Investment Fund (PIF) has provided over \$20 billion of medium- and long-term loans and guarantees for industrial and commercial projects. Administered by the Ministry of Finance, PIF loans are for projects not covered by commercial funding and can be for up to \$1.3 billion.
- Finance is available to both public and private institutions, regardless of whether the projects are undertaken independently or in partnership between governmental authorities and private institutions.
- PIF's funding is handled through loans or guarantees, and in special cases, through allocations of public funds to specific projects.

- HRDF (Human Resources Development Fund)

Receive financial subsidy for up to 50% of new Saudi employees' salary based on the following maximum amounts in SR:

Year of Support	(Platinum (in SR	(Green (in SR
Year 1	4,000	3,000
Year 2	3,000	2,500
Year 3	2,000	2,000
Year 4	1,000	0

Platinum companies can register to benefit from the program for up to 20% of their total Saudi employees, while green companies can register up to 15% of their total Saudi employees.

To register in the program, please visit the following link: <https://online.hrdf.org.sa/businessQv/introduction.php>

For information about HRDF other incentive programs, please visit: www.hrdf.org.sa

- Other sources

- Islamic Development Bank: www.isdb.com
- Saudi credit & saving bank – www.scb.gov.sa
- British offset – www.offset.org.sa
- Inter-Arab Investment Guarantee Corporation – www.iaigc.net
- KSA's commercial banks and specialized credit companies also offer project financing. Major commercial banks include Arab National Bank, Al Jazira Bank, National Commercial Bank, Riyadh Bank, SAMBA, Saudi British Bank and Saudi Investment Bank.
- Foreign banks licensed to operate in KSA include BNP Paribas, JP Morgan, National Bank of Kuwait, National Bank of Bahrain, Emirates Bank, Gulf International Bank, State Bank of India, National Bank of Pakistan and Deutsche Bank.
- For Saudi and foreign companies seeking wider access to capital, the Saudi Stock Exchange (Tadawul) is the largest stock market in the Arab world

Human Capital & Labor Market

“Education and manpower training accounts for 25% of government spending (2014 budget)”
KSA’s labor force is 8.5 million and expanding rapidly due to immigration and higher rates of Saudi male and female participation

- There are 80 vocational colleges, 24 public universities, 8 private universities and 20 private colleges
- 140.000 saudi students are studying in the US and in the UK and most of them will graduate in medicine and engineering

Jobs Saudization is a National Priority Regulated by the “Nitaqat” program

- Nitaqat means “bands” in Arabic, reflecting the company’s status in achieving required thresholds for number of Saudi employees out of the total company’s workforce.
- There are four bands: red, yellow, green and platinum.
- Saudization levels vary according to the size of the company and type of activity. For details, please refer to following link: http://www.emol.gov.sa/nitaqat/pages/Percentage_drop.aspx
- Green and platinum band companies get more services and support from government bodies. For example, e-services from Ministry of Labor and access to additional support programs from Human Resources Development Fund.

- Red and yellow band companies are not deprived from key services. For example, renewing work permits of their expatriate labor.
- For more information on Nitaqat, please visit: www.emol.gov.sa/nitaqat/pages/default.aspx

Social Insurance

Social Insurance Components:

- Occupational hazards for all workers (2% of the contributory wages of the employee and it’s paid by employer)
- The annuities for Saudi workers is only (18% of the employee’s salary, in which 9% is paid by the employer and 9% is paid by the employee)
- Maximum contributory wage is set at US\$ 12,000 per month.
- More information available at www.gosi.gov.sa

Effective Employee Value Programs

- Attractive packages in relation to qualifications.
- 5-days working week and 8 working hours per day (preferably one shift).
- Opportunities for growth and learning through a clear and structured career path.
- Have a strong communication channels between top management and Saudi employees to understand and address their unique needs.
- Flexibility in tailoring international HR systems to meet unique needs of Saudi job seekers. E.g. tailoring job descriptions to make some jobs more acceptable to Saudi job seekers.
- Provide suitable work environment for female job seekers. For example having transportation and day-care company support.
- Career planning, mentoring, training, and advancement and provide career growth line of sight.

Where to Recruit Saudis?

Channel	Description	Remarks
Taqaat Online	Online job matching portal with database of job seekers	www.taqaatonline.org.sa
Taqaat Grads	Online job matching portal dedicated to job seekers with university degrees from outside KSA	www.taqaatgrads.org.sa
Mehna	Online job matching portal dedicated to graduates from vocation schools	www.mehna.tvtc.gov.sa
Recruitment Offices & Job Placement Centers	government and private sector offices that have a large Number of trained job seekers ready for work	

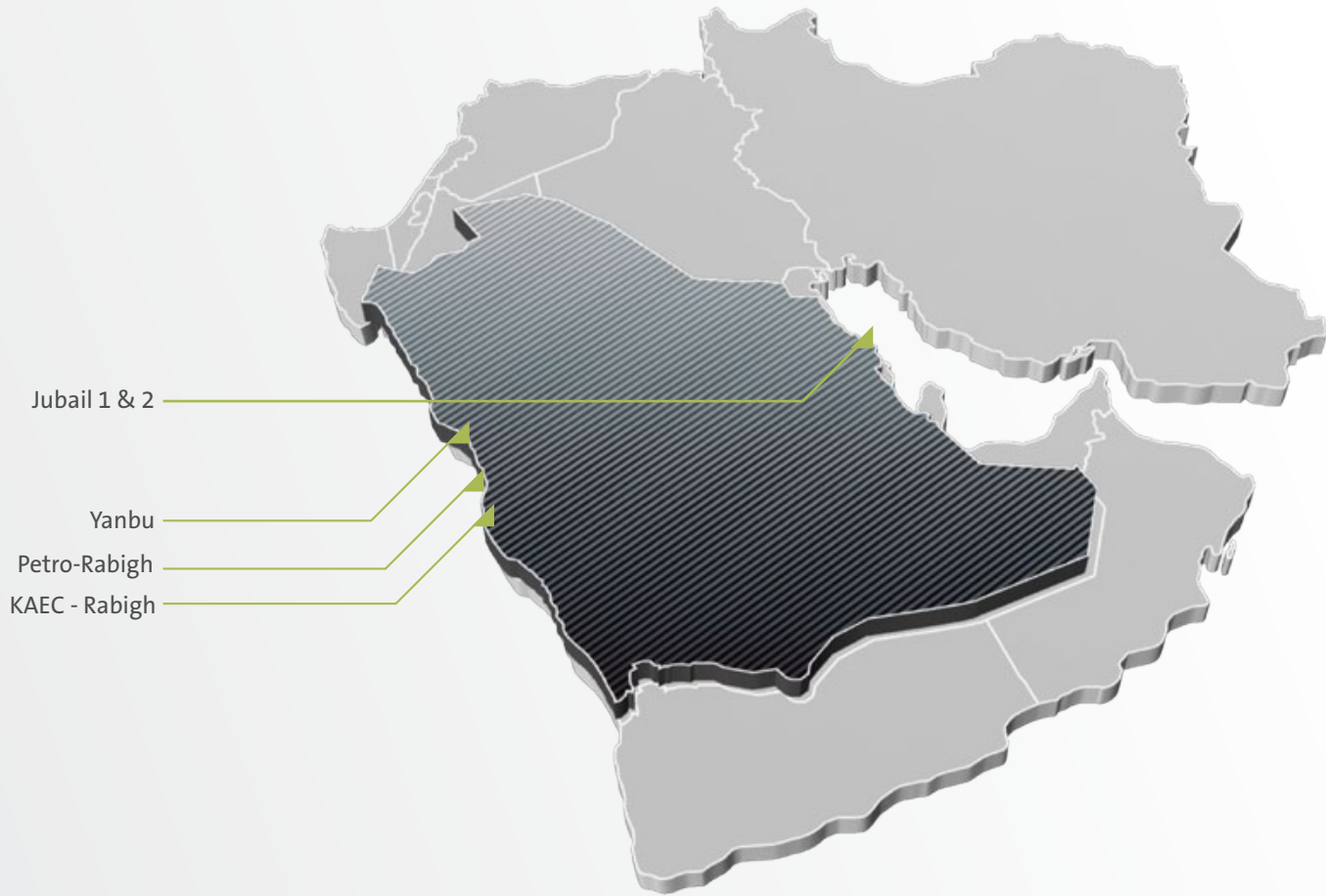
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Princess Nora bint Abdul Rahman University - Riyadh



Multiple state of the art options for buisness locations



Location	Unit	KAEC - Rabigh	Modon Across KSA	Jubail& Yanbu	Jubail II (Sadara)	Petro-Rabigh
Industrial Land allocation fee	US \$/sqm	N/A	13.33-1.06	N/A	N/A	N/A
Industrial land rental fee	US \$/sqm	4.00	0.53-0.26	1.20	1.20	1.60
Comercial/offices land rental fee	US \$/sqm	13.40	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Labour housing land fee	US \$/sqm	4.30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Developer website		www.eca.gov.sa		www.rcjy.gov.sa	www.sadara.com	www.petrorabigh.com

Source: NICDP data provided by land developers



Taxation Policy

“Saudi Arabia ranks 3rd in the ease of paying taxes”

Ease of Doing Business Report –World Bank 2014

- Companies pay a maximum of 20% tax on corporate profits above SR 100,000 (U.S. \$26,700)
- VAT / Sales Tax: Saudi Arabia does not impose any Sales Tax or VAT
- Saudi Arabia does not impose payroll or income taxes
- Allow companies to indefinitely carry forward losses on their balance sheets, effectively relieving companies of the tax burden until they become profitable
- Tax Losses: Tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely provided the maximum amount deducted in each tax year does not exceed 25% of the annual profit as per the tax return
- Natural Gas Investment Tax - Based on the NGIT rates table, the NGIT rate can range from a minimum of 30% to a max of 85%

Tax Incentives in Less Developed Regions

Tax deduction against the annual tax payable in respect of the following costs incurred on Saudi employees to be calculated as follows:

- 50% of the annual cost incurred on training of Saudi employees.

- 50% of the annual salaries paid to Saudi employees, if there is any balance of tax payable after applying above.

- For industrial projects, investors will be granted a tax credit for 10 years equal to 15% of the paid up capital whether in cash or in kind as well as in case of capital increase
- The above incentives are subject to the following conditions:
 - The project must be located in one of the following areas: (Hail, Northern Border Jizan, Najran, Asir, Al-Jouf, industrial areas and economic cities located therein)
 - The project's paid capital must be no less than SAR 1 million in cash or in kind

- The granted deduction must not exceed 15% of the total project capital whether in cash or in kind and of the licensed capital expansions granted by the competent authorities, if any
- The total tax deduction for training and recruiting Saudis must not exceed the project's due tax for the same tax year. It is also not allowed to transfer any residual difference from training or recruitment expenses to subsequent years
- Not less than 5 Saudi employees hired or trained, all in technical and managerial positions, excluding guards, drivers, workers, reviewers and non-technical labour
- Minimum one year contracts signed with Saudi's to be trained or employed
- The work residence of recruited or trained Saudis must be in the area where the project is held
- The training party - inside or outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - must be accredited by the competent authorities

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Competitive Utility Prices

Utilities Indicative Prices

Indicative prices	Unit	US\$/unit
Gas	mmBtu	0.75
Diesel	Liter	0.10
Refined fuel oil	Liter	0.033
Portable water up to	m ³	1.76
Process water	m ³	1.76
Sea water cooling	m ³ (000)	15.14
Sanitary wastewater up to	m ³	1.432
Industrial wastewater up to	m ³	0.44

Source: Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu

Industrial Power Consumption Tarriff

Type of Consumption period	Tarriff for Factories with Electromech. meters		Tarriff for factories with digital meter	
	Cons. Hours	\$/kwh	Cons. Hours	\$/kwh
Oct- Apr.	All	0.032 for small consumers	All	0.032 for small consumers
		0.037 for large consumers		0.037 for large consumers
May-Sep.	All	0.04	Off-peak hours Sat.thur 00:00-8:00 Fri 9:00-17:00	0.026
			Peak hours Sat-thur. 12:00-17:00	0.069
			Other times	0.04

Source: ECRA

“Saudi Arabia ranks #15 globally for getting electricity”

World Bank “Ease of doing business report 2014”

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- Riyadh

Legal Framework

Saudi Legal Instruments

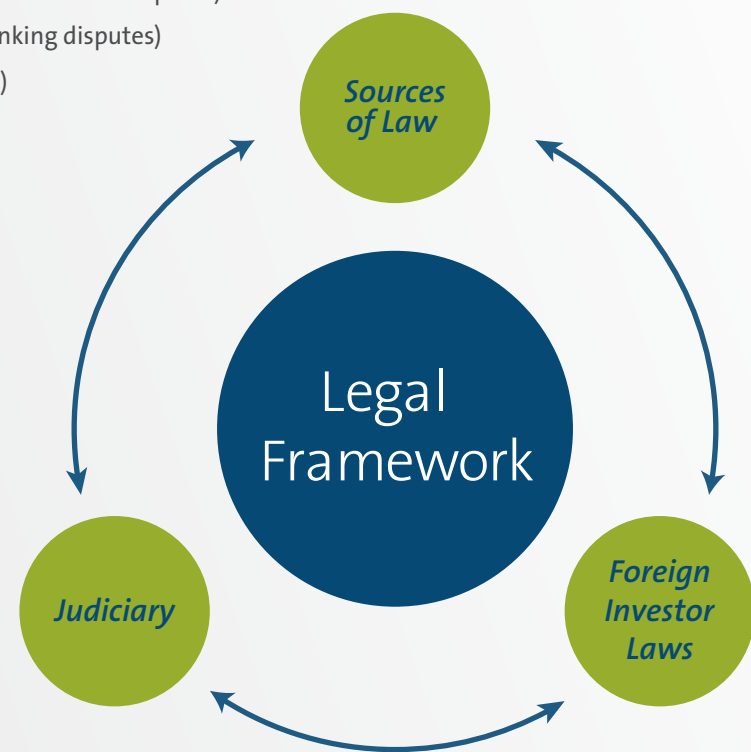
- Shari'a Law
- Royal Decree
- Royal Order
- Council of Ministers Decisions
- Ministerial Decisions
- Circulars

Foreign Investor Laws

- Foreign Investment Act and Executive Rules 2000
- Companies Regulations Law 1965 (as amended)
- Income Tax (Income Tax Act of 2004)
- Labour Law 2005
- Regulation of Ownership and Investment in Real Estate by:
 - Non-Saudis 2000
 - Intellectual Property Laws – (Copyright Law 2003; Law of Patents, Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits, Plant Varieties and Industrial Models 2004; and law of Trademarks 2002)

Judiciary

- General Courts (civil and criminal)
- Board of Grievances (commercial disputes)
- SAMA Committee (banking disputes)
- Arbitration Law (2012)



Business Visas

There are many options for obtaining a commercial visa to visit KSA for exploring business opportunities, such as:

- Approaching one of the Saudi Embassies and completing an application for a commercial visit
- Contacting SAGIA directly to request a visit visa
- Applying through the Saudi Chambers of Commerce
- Issued by a sponsored company in KSA



Export & Import Regulations

Trade Agreements

WTO / Saudi Arabia has been a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) since December 11th, 2005. Pursuant to its membership, Saudi Arabia agreed to undertake a series of commitments to further liberalize its trade regime and accelerate its integration into the world economy, while offering a transparent and predictable environment for trade and foreign investment in accordance with WTO rules.

Free Trade Agreement with Other Economic Blocks Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Agreements

The GCC Customs Union came into effect on January 1st, 2003 and transformed the six GCC member states (Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, UAE) into a single customs zone. The Customs Union implemented a common customs tariff of 5% on all foreign goods imported into the GCC and the principle of “single point entry” adopted for the Customs Union. Furthermore, the Customs Union established the free movement of goods among the GCC States and the treatment of the goods produced in any of the GCC States as national products. GCC countries have already signed a Free Trade Agreement with Singapore and European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which include Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein and is currently negotiating with several other countries like China, South Korea, Australia and New Zealand.
www.gcc-sg.org

Greater Arab Free Trade Area (GAFTA)

The Greater Arab Free Trade Area (GAFTA) is a Trade Facilitation and Development Agreement established by the Social and Economic Council of the Arab League. Under the terms of the agreement, there is a full exemption of customs duties and charges between members of GAFTA, for goods with a local content exceeding 40%. Some GAFTA members do not require authentication of certificates of origin and accompanying documents by embassies and consulates. GAFTA Countries are: Algeria, Palestine, Bahrain, Qatar, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Sudan, Jordan, Syria, Kuwait, Tunisia, Lebanon, UAE, Libya, Yemen, Morocco.

Double Taxation Avoidance (DTA)

Saudi Arabia signed the DTA with France, China, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, Austria, Belarus, Greece, Italy, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Britain, Turkey, Netherlands, Uzbekistan, Syria, Singapore, Tunisia, Japan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Romania, Ireland and Malta.

Bilateral Investment Treaties

These agreements aim to promote and protect the investments of nationals and enterprises of one contracting party in the territory of the other contracting party by providing an appropriate legislative environment to stimulate and increase investment, trade, and industrial activities. The agreement also provides adequate guarantees to nationals or enterprises of the other contracting party to transfer their profits, dividends, and other current income. The investment will not be subject to expropriation except for a public purpose and against prompt and adequate compensation.

Saudi Arabia has signed Investment Promotion & Protection Agreements with the following 21 countries: Austria, Japan, Azerbaijan, Malaysia, Belarus, Philippines, Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union, Singapore, China, South Korea, Czech Republic, Spain, Sweden, France, Switzerland, Germany, India, Turkey, Indonesia, Ukraine and Italy.

Duties Exemptions

- The general rate of import duty is 5%. Some limited numbers of products have tariff rates of either 12% or 20%
- Industrial projects in Saudi Arabia may import machinery, tools, equipment, and spare parts free from Customs duties
- Customs duty exemption is available on all authorized imports for industrial establishments, equipment, machinery, tools, spare parts, raw materials (whether primary or semi manufactured) or packaging materials if local supply does not exist or the local supply is not up to the specifications of the manufacturers
- The Saudi customs regulations also allow for temporary admission (under certain conditions) of heavy machinery and equipment, which are not available in the market and are required for the completion of projects or the conducting of practical and scientific tests relating to those projects
- Semi-manufactured materials, raw materials, and packaging materials may also be imported duty-free by industrial projects, but only to the extent that such materials are not available in Saudi Arabia

For more details visit: www.customs.gov.sa



Jeddah Islamic Seaport- Jeddah



King Abdullah Seaport - King Abdullah Economic City



Useful Links

- Department of zakat and Income Tax (*DZIT*)
www.zakat.gov.sa
- General Organization for Social Insurance (*GOSI*)
www.gosi.gov.sa
- General Organization for Technical Education and Vocational Training (*TVTC*)
www.tvtc.gov.sa
- Ministry of Commerce and Industry (*MCI*)
www.mci.gov.sa
- Ministry of Finance (*MOF*)
www.mof.gov.sa
- Ministry of Labour (*MOL*)
www.mol.gov.sa
- Ministry of Petroleum & Mineral Resources (*MOPM*)
www.mopm.gov.sa
- National Industrial Clusters Development Program (*NICDP*)
www.ic.gov.sa
- Public Investment Fund (*PIF*) (via)
www.mof.gov.sa
- Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu (*RCJY*)
www.rcjy.gov.sa
- Saudi Arabia General Investment Authority (*SAGIA*)
www.sagia.gov.sa
- Saudi Arabian Oil Company (*Saudi Aramco*)
www.saudiaramco.com
- Saudi Basic Industries Corporation (*SABIC*)
www.sabic.com
- Saudi Electric Company (*SEC*)
www.se.com.sa
- Saudi Industrial Development Fund (*SIDF*)
www.sidf.gov.sa
- Saudi Industrial Property Authority (*MODON*)
www.modon.gov.sa
- Saudi Ports Authority (*SPA*)
www.ports.gov.sa

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