### **Tunisia & Austria**

# Promoting Business and Investment Cooperation in High Value Activities in the Electrical, Electronic and IT sectors

### BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN TUNISIA

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### FDI Landscape in Tunisia: Key Figures



### **TUNISIA** has the competitiveness to attract more Foreign Investment. It recorded:



### **International Actors operating in TUNISIA**





































































































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✓ A geostrategic position in the Med Area at just an hour flight to Europe and less than three hours flight from Middle East Cities

with

- ✓ An advanced partner status with the European Union with a Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Agreement (DCFTA) in Progress
- ✓ Free trade agreement Morocco, Egypt and Jordan (AGADIR), and with Turkey





✓ Ongoing discussion to join The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) with 325 millions consumers



TUNISIA: A GATEWAY
TO EUROPE AND SUBSAHARAN AFRICA

✓ Tunisia officially integrated AfCFTA in July 2020



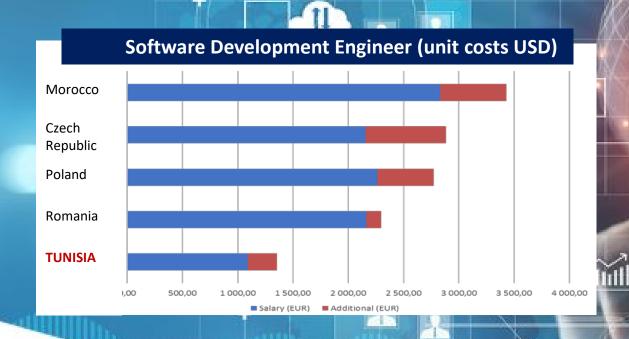


- √52 agreements on double taxation and
- ✓ **54** bilateral agreements to promote and protect investments





### ... With Competitive Costs...





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### **Infrastructure to International Standards**



04 ICT
ORIENTED TECHNOPOLES



19 CYBERPARKS DEDICATED TO INNOVATIVE START-UPS



10 COMPETITIVENESS
CLUSTERS



910GB/S BANDWIDTH CAPACITY



CLASS A SPACES
AND OFFICES



THE DOT
PLATFORM FOR THE
INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM



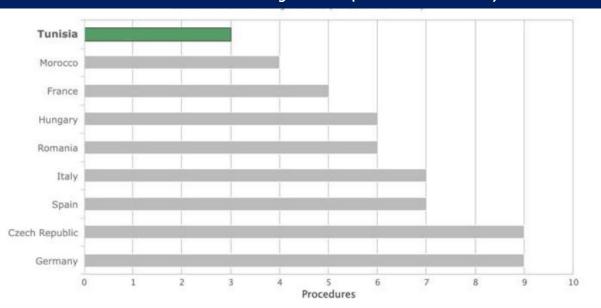
TUNISIA is the **1**<sup>st</sup> country in Africa for the quality of its information and communication technology infrastructure (Source: Bloomberg Innovation Index, 2020)

### **A Friendly Business Environment**

#### **New Investment Law (2016) which guarantees:**

- Freedom of investment in the majority of sectors
- Freedom to transfer profits and capital gains
- Simplified procedures of implementation
- Intellectual property's protection
- Ease to import and export with simplified customs procedures

### Number of Procedures required to register a firm Source: World Bank Doing Business (FDI Benchmark 2021)



#### With substantial incentives, mainly:

- Investment grant for 18 priority sectors and for investment in regional development areas: % of the approved investment cost
- Investment grant based on job creation for 18 priority sectors and for investment in regional development areas: Social contribution
- Investment grant (1/3 of investment cost) & exemption from corporation tax (10 years) for Projects of National Interest
- Grant for employee training expenditures leading to certification of skills
- Hiring foreign managerial staff within a limit of 30% of the total number of managerial staff.

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### **MEE Industries in TUNISIA: Key Figures**

+ 1000 Companies

+ 600 companies with foreign participation

+ 440
Totally Exporting Companies

+ 1,370 million TND in Foreign
Direct Investments in EEI

**1**<sup>st</sup> Exporting Sector

**7<sup>th</sup>** supplier of EU for Electrical Machinery

**TOP 3** Producer of Automotive Components in Africa

**999.** 

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### **TUNISIA**, A Reference Site for Automotive Components



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### **TUNISIA**, Confirmed IT Destination

- **√** 4.4 Billions € of ICT turnover
- ✓ 10% Average annual growth rate ICT
- **✓** + 2200 companies
- **√** 52% Share of innovative exporting companies
- √ 40 000 Direct jobs





The Tunisian digital industry is fully engaged in emerging technologies



AR/VR



Sofrecom





ezzayra قالرُايرة



Blockchain







chifco



Sagemcom





### **TUNISIA** .. A Pleasant Living Environment



#### Internationally reputed educational system

- 10 French education institution
- Access to Canadian, Britain, American, and Italian education systems



#### **Developed healthcare services**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> African destination for medical tourism (after South Africa)
- 26 doctors for 1 000 inhabitant



#### A unique cultural heritage

8 Tunisian sites recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site



### Mediterranean climate and a diverse nature

- 250 sunny days per year
- More than 1 400 km of beaches and diverse landscapes
- Average temperature: 18,1°



#### **Emancipation of individual liberties**

- 1st African and Arab country regarding press freedom and civil liberties
- 1st African and Muslim country regarding gender equality



#### One of the least expensive cost of living

Tunis is the least expensive city in Africa and Mediterranean basin for expatriates



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#### **INFORMATION**

On investment opportunities in Tunisia and the main reasons why Tunisia is such an attractive site for FDIs

#### CONTACT

Our approach is to present the most satisfactory Tunisian offer for companies seeking internationalization

#### **ADVICE**

On the appropriate conditions for the success of projects, regions of operation, investment plans, financing methods...

#### **ASSISTANCE**

To investors on exploratory visits to Tunisia and in the various phases of project implementation

#### **SUPPORT**

✓ To improve the sustainability of the company through personalized monitoring



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