“INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC”

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AT A GLANCE

Population: 10.4 million
Total labor force: 4.7 million
GDP: US$60,636.2 million
GDP per capita: US$5,822.0

Source: Central Bank of the Dominican Republic
In the course of last decades, the Dominican Republic has transformed deeply, going from an economy of only some agricultural basic products (Commodities) to quite a diversified, vibrant and modern society.
DOMINICAN EXPORTS
2000-2013* (US$ Million)

Source: Central Bank of the Dominican Republic
(*) Preliminary figures
DOMINICAN PRODUCTS IN THE WORLD RANKING

1. Exporter of Sugar Cane to Spain
2. Exporter of Cigars to the USA
3. Exporter of Rum to Chile
4. Exporter of Cocoa to LAC
5. Exporter of Pepper to the USA
6. Exporter of Avocados to the USA
7. Exporter of Rum to The Netherlands
8. Exporter of Cocoa Beans to Japan
9. Exporter of Rum worldwide

Source: CEI-RD
882 Million Consumers Worldwide

DR-CAFTA
North America
316M

DR-CAFTA
PANAMA
42.6M

DR-CAFTA
Central America
3.5M

CARICOM:
Caribbean
16.2M

Economic Partnership Agreement: European Union
503.8M

PREFERENTIAL MARKET ACCESS
WHY THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC?

- Political and economic stability
- Modern transportation infrastructure
- FDI Friendly environment – Preferential market access
- Solid Legal framework
- Generous incentives
- Accessibility
- Competitive, qualified and trainable labor force
- Advanced and reliable telecommunication infrastructure
- Supporting industries & services
- Competitive costs for doing business
- Near shore location
- Quality of life
FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAW NO. 16-95

- Equal rights and benefits for foreign and national investors
- Free repatriation of dividends and capital
- Registry of Investment in CEI-RD: residency by investment privilege
INCENTIVE LAWS

- Industrial & Services Free Zones Incentive Law 8-90
- Incentives for the Promotion of Export Law 84-99
- Border Development Incentive Law 28-01
- Renewable sources of Energy Law 57-07
- Promotion of Tourism Development Law 158-01
- Textile Industry National Priority Law 56-07
- Film Industry Incentive Law 108-10
FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN THE DR 2000-2013* (US$ Million)

(*) Preliminary figure
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

SERVICES
- Tourism
- Contact Centers
- BPO\KPO
- Software Development

MINING & INFRASTRUCTURE
- Mining
- Electricity
- Telecommunications
- Renewable Energy
- Ports & Airports
- Highways, Roads

MANUFACTURING
- Medical Devices
- Auto parts
- Electronic & Electric Components
- Computer Electronics
- Plastics Industry

AGRIBUSINESS
- New Technologies
- Agro industrial Products
- Controlled Environment Production Systems
• No. 1 destination in the Caribbean.
• Over 4.7 million visitors during 2013.
• Revenues for US$5,124.8 million.
• 61,869 direct jobs.
• More than 68,500 world-class rooms.
• 32 golf courses.
RENEWABLE ENERGY

- Total investment of over US$600 million
- Approximately 1,300 direct jobs and 4,000 indirect jobs
- The power generating capacity feeding into the public grid in the Dominican Republic totals 2,992.6 MW
- Law 57-07 for the Development of Renewable Energy
The Dominican Republic has the second best transport infrastructure in Latin America.

Third on paved roads in Latin America.

Second highest in the region for airports paved runways.

FILM INDUSTRY
• Investments during 2008-2013 totals US$1,113.9 million, mainly from Mexico, France and Luxemburg

• Over 10.2 million cable and wireless lines

• More than 9.2 million mobile phones

• Over 3.1 million internet connections

• Main Dominican cities connected through optical fiber rings
• 114 companies in the industry
• 62% of the companies offer services to the US Market
• International Certifications: PCI Compliance, ISO 9001, COPC
• The country has a Contact Center and BPO Cluster with 48 associates
SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

- More than 70 companies in the industry
- Partnerships with renowned brands: Microsoft, Oracle, Hewlett Packard
- International Certifications: CMMI, ISO 9001, IBM Racional, NortelScience and Technology Park with a Specialized Institute and one of the most advanced Interconnection Center in the region (NAP of the Caribbean)
- The country has a Software Cluster with more than 40 member companies
The Dominican Republic created the One-Stop Shop for Investment in order to expedite and make more efficient the processes for investors, domestic and foreign, who want to develop operations in different sectors in the country.
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