Concrete Investment Opportunities in the Kurdistan Region



Introduction

- All three governorates of the Kurdistan Region offer numerous investment opportunities especially in the three priority sectors tourism, agriculture and industry.
- The Board of Investment (BOI) invites international investors to engage in concrete investment opportunities and contact us in order to receive more information, an update on the respective status of the projects and the next steps to be taken.
- The list below depicts a variety of concrete opportunities, which are partly already ready to be implemented whereas others are in the final stages of becoming implementable with the support of the Board of Investment (BOI) in the Kurdistan Region.

Concrete opportunities in key sectors			Status
Agriculture	1	Olive Trees – The cultivation of olive trees on orchards and production of olive oil is offered in the hills of Tarin on an earmarked area of almost 3 m sqm.	Several land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	2	Fish Farming – 10 floating cages are required in the existing water resources of the Darbandikhan and Dukan lakes for the breeding of fish. Equally attractive closed-pool fish breeding in areas far from natural water resources are needed.	Several land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details below in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	3	Red Meat – Production of red meat (lamb and beef) as well as animal skins from breeding cattle using 2,500 heads of calve and 2,000 heads of lamb with an estimated investment sum of USD 6 m.	Several land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details below in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	4	Seedlings – Production of seedlings for trees and ornamental plants is sought to replace imported products on local markets with an estimated investment sum of USD 5 m, production output of 1 m pcs/year on an area of 250,000 sqm.	Several land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details below in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	5	Milk – Construction and operation of a station for cow breeding, milk collection and distribution from 100 decentralized, local farmers who are given some 2,000 milk cows on a debt basis with an investment sum over USD 16 m.	Several land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details below in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	6	Greenbelt of Erbil – The city's future green lung provides valuable land for various agricultural projects directly within the urban area.	The Greenbelt has been approved by the Kurdistan Regional Government and the detailed planning stage is entered.
	7	Shamamok Irrigation – The breadbasket of Kurdistan Region offers great returns on investment by using modern irrigation.	Master developers are being searched and shall propose possible scenarios of developing the area as a mega irrigation project.
Industry	8	Medical Vaccines – Construction and operation of a factory for producing Foot-and-mouth-disease vaccine in order to protect livestock against imported FMD. Approx. investment volume of USD 8 m.	The land plots are available and investors are invited to provide their details below in order to be requested to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	9	Duhok Industrial Zone – More industries will be developed by providing attractive incentives for investors in the governorate of Duhok.	The industrial zone is already implemented and more investors are sought to settle industries here and submit proposals for industrial projects via the Board of Investment.
	10	Erbil Industrial Zone – Industry sector is encouraged to grow further by establishing an industrial zone outside the city of Erbil.	The final stage of setting up the Erbil industrial Zone has been reached and soon investors will be requested to submit proposals for industrial projects via the Board of Investment.
	11	Slemani Industrial Zones – Two industrial zones in Arbat offer great potential for investments in the industrial sector of the Slemani governorate.	The zones are being developed and master developers are being searched for one of them to propose possible scenarios of developing the areas for industrial projects. The other is currently being developed.

Tourism	12	Lake Dukan – One of the biggest lakes of the Region will be developed as top tourist destination including water sports and 5 star hotels.	Master developers are pre-selected and prepare the bidding for individual projects for which international investors are sought.
	13	Mount Safeen – The beautiful mountain range with a flat top is an ideal location for a tourism resort and prime holiday destination.	Master developers are being searched and shall propose possible scenarios of developing the area as a mega tourism project. Later, individual investors will be asked to submit project bids.
	14	Mount Zawa – Next to the city of Duhok lies a gorgeous mountain range that is ideal for high quality tourism investments.	Master developers are being searched and shall propose possible scenarios of developing the area as a mega tourism project. Later, individual investors will be asked to submit project bids.
	15	Hawary Shar – More than 1.2 m square meters are earmarked for modular tourism investment projects.	Several plots of land are already available. Potential investors are asked to submit individual toùrism investment proposals.
Infrastructure	16	Transportation – Roads, Bridges and other infrastructure projects facilitate economic development.	Detailed plans are currently being drafted and interested investors/contractors are invited to provide their contact details.
	17	Dam projects including hydro power stations – Electricity and fresh water are the source of great investment opportunities in dams.	Seasonal implementation. Several dams are already in the construction phase but more are required. Detailed plans are being drafted and interested investors/ contractors are invited to provide their contact details.
	18	Education infrastructure – Construction of up to 200 schools is planned to cater the high share of young population.	Detailed plans [®] are currently being drafted and interested contractors are invited to submit their contact details.

Next steps

Please indicate below which concrete investment opportunities you are interested in and kindly provide some general information about yourself in order for us to contact you to initiate further steps. Subsequently, send a scan of the completed form or the requested information as an e-mail to: info@kurdistaninvestment.org Investment opportunity/opportunities of interest Company/investor name Nationality Type of investor (individual/corporate) Annual turnover globally in USD in the previous year No. of employees globally Previous projects in the Kurdistan Region/Iraq Name and position of contact person E-mail Telephone

For more information, the **Investment Factsheet**, the **Licensing Process Factsheet** and updated versions of this opportunities list, please consult the website of the Board of Investment, available at:

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