

# WHY INVEST IN HAITI?



# **General and Specific Benefits** of the Haitian Investment Code

The Haitian government adopted the Investment Code, hereinafter referred to as "the Code," in 2002. This mechanism is part of the national strategy to promote economic growth and development, facilitating liberalization, stimulating, and guaranteeing private investments. The provisions of the Code apply to all investments, whether domestic or foreign, offering several benefits, including:

- Protection and guarantees offered to investors;
- Freedom to engage in commercial and industrial activities within the limits of commercial regulations;
- Protection of trademarks, patents, labels, and all other forms of intellectual property rights.



## **ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION**

All companies launching a new project in the renewable energy sector in Haiti can benefit from the available incentives, whether they are existing businesses or newly registered startups.

#### **Available Incentives**

Eligible companies receive a dual advantage:

- A tax break of up to five (5) consecutive years. During this period, neither the company nor its distributed profits (dividends) are subject to withholding tax. At the end of the full exemption period, the company's income is fully taxed;
- A customs and tax exemption for seven (7) consecutive years on the importation of equipment and materials necessary for the company's installation, operation, and production.

### **Specific Advantages**

Any company in the renewable energy sector can enter into an agreement or contract with the Haitian government by meeting certain conditions, including:

- Utilizing new techniques or energy sources in its production that contribute to environmental protection or conservation;
- Presenting the necessary and sufficient financial qualifications and guarantees.

Companies that already enjoy incentive privileges or have obtained state approval can benefit from tax and customs exemptions on the importation of equipment and materials intended for renovation, reequipment, expansion, rehabilitation, or modernization.









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