

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 to contact the BOI in order to receive more information, an update on the respective status of the proposed projects and next steps to be taken.
- The list below depicts a variety of **concrete opportunities**, which are **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 provides a unique investment opportunity 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 below 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 closed-pool fish breeding in areas far from natural water resources is needed.	Several fish farming sites 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 with a capacity of 2,500 calves and 2,000 lambs with an estimated investment sum of USD 6 m offers a profitable investment opportunity.	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 and a 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 and milk collection from 100 local farmers who are given some 2,000 milk cows on a debt basis with an investment volume of more than USD 16 m is offered to investors.	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 phase has begun.
	 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 – Investors are sought for construction and operation of a factory for producing foot-and-mouth-disease vaccine. Approx. investment volume of USD 8 m.	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 – Several industries shall be attracted to the planned industrial zone in Duhok.	The industrial zone is planned and investors are sought to establish their projects there and to submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	 10	Erbil Industrial Zone – The growth of the industrial sector shall be encouraged 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 project proposals via the Board of Investment.
	 11	Sleman Industrial Zones – Two industrial zones in Arbat offer great potential for investments in the industrial sector of the Slemani governorate.	The zones are being established and master developers are searched to conceptualize one of the zone's future design. The other zone is currently being set up.
	 12	Garmyan Industrial Zone – Industrial development shall be prompted by establishing a further industrial zone in Garmyan.	The industrial zone is planned and investors will be invited to invest in the designated areas and submit project proposals via the Board of Investment.



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Tourism		13	Lake Dukan – The biggest lake in the Region will be developed as a top tourism destination which shall include water sports and 5 star hotels.	Master developers are pre-selected and are preparing the bidding for individual projects for which international investors are sought.
		14	Mount Safeen – The beautiful mountain range with a flat top is an ideal location for a tourism resort serving as a 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.
		15	Mount Zawa – Next to the city of Duhok, a gorgeous mountain range is located 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.
		16	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 tourism investment proposals.
Infrastructure		17	Transportation – Roads, bridges and other infrastructure projects are available to both private investors and contractors.	Detailed plans are currently being drafted and interested investors/contractors are invited to provide their contact details.
		18	Dam projects including hydro power stations – Rising demand for electricity and fresh water is the source of great investment opportunities.	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.

Next steps

Please indicate below which concrete investment opportunities you are interested in and kindly provide some general information about yourself so that we can contact you to initiate further steps.

Subsequently, please 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 visit the website of the Board of Investment, available at:

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