STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS



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"STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS" ARE INVESTMENTS MADE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STRATEGIC SECTORS.

IN THE POWER AND MINING INDUSTRY

an investment must be:



- c equal to or higher than EUR 30,000,000 (thirty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procedure"
- equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000 (fifty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure"

IN THE TRANSPORT, ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE AND URBAN WASTE INDUSTRY DHE MBETJET



an investment must be:

- equal to or higher than EUR 30,000,000 (thirty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procedure"
- equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000(fifty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure"

IN THE TOURISM (TOURIST STRUCTURES) INDUSTRY

an investment must be:



- equal to or higher than EUR 5,000,000 (five million) and create at least 80 new jobs for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procdure"
- equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000 (fifty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure"

IN THE AGRICULTURE (ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LARGE AGRICULTURAL FARM MODEL) AND FISHERIES



an investment must be:

- equal to or higher than EUR 3,000,000 (three million) and create at least 50 new jobs for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procedure"
- equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000 (fifty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure"

FOR THE SECTOR "ECONOMIC AREAS", INCLUDING ITS SUB-SECTORS



an investment must be-

- equal to or higher than EUR 5,000,000 (five million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procedure"
- C equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000 (fifty million) for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure";

IN THE DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY AREAS





- equal to or higher than EUR 1,000,000 (one million) and create at least 150 new jobs for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Assisted Procedure"
- c equal to or higher than EUR 10,000,000 (ten million) and create at least 600 new jobs for an investor/project to receive the status "Strategic Investment/Investor, Special Procedure"

The Status of strategic investor/investment—asissted procedure may also be granted to investors/investment projects that, regardless not being planned to be executed in one of the sectors listed above, will have an envisaged total capital investment amount equal to or higher than EUR 50,000,000 (fifty hundred million) and after the prior approval of the ministry of line.

The Status of strategic investor/investment—special procedure may also be granted to investors/investment projects that, regardless not being planned to be executed in one of the sectors listed above, will have an envisaged total capital investment amount equal to or higher than EUR 100,000,000 (one hundred million).

WHO CAN APPLY:

THE MINISTRY OF LINE

The Ministry of line, responsible for an investment project, can apply to obtain the status of "Potential Strategic Project".

THE INVESTOR WHO PROPOSES THE INVESTMENT PROJECT

The Investor who proposes the investment project can apply to obtain the status of "Potential Strategic Project".

THE INVESTOR WHO PROPOSES THE INVEST-MENT PROJECT

The Investor who proposes the investment project & will execute the project can apply to obtain the status of "Strategic Investor/Strategic Investment - Assisted Procedure", "Strategic Investor / Strategic Investor - Strategic Investment - Special Procedure."

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

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Application at AIDA by the Ministry of line, responsible for the investment project

The application request must be accompanied by an explanatory report on the strategic importance of the project and a detailed description of the following items:

- The total value of the investment;
- The required time for investment execution;
- Investment productivity and added value;
- © Employment opportunities and the creation of new jobs:
- O Project's compliance with the policies and sartorial economic priorities;
- The regional and local economic development opportunities as a result of the investment;
- C The development opportunities and the improvement of the conditions and standards for the production of goods and provision of services;
- Introduction of new technologies in order to increase competitiveness and effectiveness of the investment;
- The increase of the overall level of the security and the quality of citizens' live, as a result of the implementation of the investment;
- The protection of the consumers and environment, quaranteed by the investment project.

The Investor who will execute the proposed investment project can apply to obtain the status of "Strategic Investor/Strategic Investment -Assisted Procedure", "Strategic Investor / Strategic Investment- Special Procedure", as follows:

The application request must be accompanied by:

- 1. the identity of the investor/Investors/partners;
- 2. the business plan;
- 3. the financial plan;
- 4. the work program and the deadlines provided, detailed according to the phases of the project and to the corresponding actions;
- 5. the impact assessment of the project in terms of social, economic and strategic potential;
- 6. feasibility study;
- 7. the economic, social and operational benefits as well as the level of employment expected from the realization of investment project;
- 8. the list of all measures, incentives and investment support services that the investor requires from the Albanian Government for the realization of the investment project;
- 9. the documentation which proves the financial capacity for the realization of the investment project as a means of guarantee. This documentation should contain financial data, which prove convincingly and clearly the capacity of the investor for the realization of the investment, in the amount not less than 10% of the total value of the investment.

The documentation that proves this requirement can be:

- C The balance sheets of the last three years, or
- Financing and crediting by the banking and financial institutions (domestic or foreign), or
- C A financial guarantee issued by banking or financial institutions (domestic or foreign).
- 10. auto Declaration of the interested investor, through which the commercial entity takes over and guarantees the authenticity of the data and documents submitted in the file.
- 11. a written authorization by the investor, which authorizes AIDA to carry out all the necessary verifications on the data presented in the file;
- 12. a written consent of the investor for the publication of the general details of the proposed the investment, except of the data considered as confidential, which can not be made public or shown to third parties, and which should be clearly defined by the interested party;
- 13. the receipt of the applicable fee;
- 14. the interest investor has to prove through documentation also that:
- is not any under any bankruptcy process and / or liquidation;
- has not been convicted by a final court decision related to the professional activity;
- the capital and assets are not subject to any mandatory execution procedures by the bailiff service:
- is in compliance with the obligations related to the tax payment;
- has fulfilled its obligations related to the payment of social security contributions.
- 15. The subject is excluded from benefiting from the status of "Strategic Investment/Investor, assisted procedure" or "Strategic Investment/Investor, special procedure" if he/she is or has been convicted by a final court decision for committing the following criminal offenses:
- -participation in a structured criminal group, criminal organization, armed gang, terrorist organization; -corruption; -fraud; -money laundering or financing of terrorism; -offenses with terrorist purposes or criminal offenses related to terrorist activities; -organization, management, or financing of the production and sale of narcotics, as well as the trafficking of narcotics; -forgery; -exploitation of child labor and other forms of human trafficking.

BENEFITS

Assisted Procedure

- of fast track procedures;
- o land consolidation;
- supporting programs;
- assistive infrastructure;
- use of public assets for strategic investment project execution.

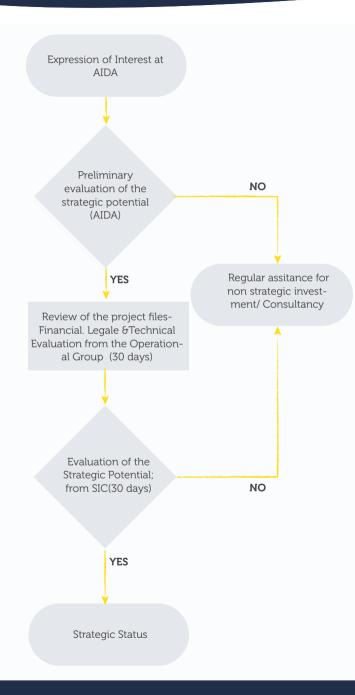
Special Procedure

- Expropriation of immovable assets, private property, for the development and execution of the strategic investment project;
- © Investment Contract endorsement by the Parliament.

TARIFFS

- c Administrative Service Tariff 70,000 ALL
- Procedures' Management Tariff 15,000 ALL

STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS STEP BY STEP







ALBANIAN INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AGENCY







