

## GLO-DJIGBÉ INDUSTRIAL ZONE CATALYST OF TRANSFORMATION

# ABOUT GDI

The Glo-Dijgbe Industrial Zone (GDIZ) is an integrated industrial ecosystem, offering solutions along the entire value chain for multiple industries.

GDIZ provides end-to-end solutions for the procurement of raw materials, in-house warehousing for year-long storage, transportation solutions for both raw materials and processed products, meeting international certifications & tracing requirements. We also provide other facilities to ensure that all industrial needs are fulfilled within the zone for investors to be globally competitive.

GDIZ spans a total of 1,640 Hectares and is being developed in the following 3 phases:

Phase 1 400 Ha Phase 2 Phase 3 400 Ha 840 Ha

## **GDIZ's Industrial Solutions**

- 📾 🛛 Ready-to-use industrial land and ready-to-move industrial sheds with 24/7 electricity, water, natural gas and all other amenities, all guaranteed by the zone.
- Commercial zone planned with hotels, supermarkets and ready to move in office space.
- Residential zone with local partners developing independent and shared housing for 50,000+ workers and expatriates.
- 🖬 📓 100,000+ sqm of warehousing for all-year storage of over 200,000 tons of raw materials and finished products.
- 🚬 Truck Terminal to handle over 900 trucks per day with fuel station, driver rest area and other amenities.
- Container Yard for handling 500,000+ units at full capacity.

## Benin

#### A strategic geographical location

Sharing its borders with Togo, Nigeria, Burkina Faso and Niger, Benin spreads itself across 114,763 square kilometers, with a coastline along the Gulf of Guinea.



#### **GDP Growth Rate** 3.8 % (2020)

GDP 15.65 Billion USD

CFA Franc

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ADVANTAGES**

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## **CUSTOM ADVANTAGES**

#### Regime n 1: Export regime

Total exemption from customs duties on machinery, equipment, tools and detailed parts related to the production program as well as on inputs

Simplified procedure for transfers of imported goods to the GDIZ

#### Regime n 2: Intra-community trade promotion regime

Customs duties exoneration (levy of customs duties on the import of raw materials and inputs but exemption from entry fees on machinery, equipment, tools and detailed parts related to the program of production)



- Simplified procedure for transfers of imported goods to the GDIZ
- Offers the benefit of a certificate of community origin

#### Unique Advantages for Cashew processors:

- No Commission Agents
- No Currency Risk
- Reduced Logistics
- Reduced Carbon Footprint
- Inflation resistant savings
- Zero waste cashew processing

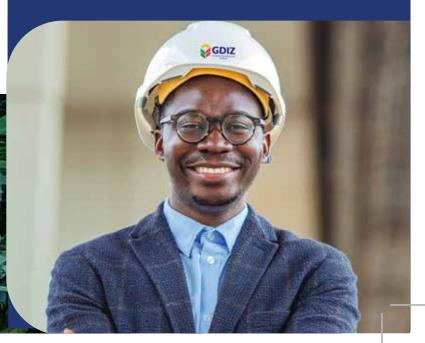


### **FISCAL ADVANTAGES**

#### **Exemption from all taxes**

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- **0%** Corporate tax, No limitations on repatriation of income to home country
- **0%** Dividend tax, Hassle-free distribution of dividends
  - **0%** VAT when buying anything in Benin to process into finished products in the zone. VAT credit refunds within 30 days
- O% Employer Income Tax contribution





## **Cashew at GDIZ**

The construction of Glo-Djigbé Industrial Zone (GDIZ) by ARISE Industrial Integrated Platforms (IIP), a company with recognized expertise in the management of industrial zones on the African continent, will make it possible, as a priority, to maximize the transformation of Beninese wealth locally.

With a targeted annual production of 300,00 MT by 2026, Benin holds the title of 3rd largest Cashew producer in West Africa. As a large player in this endeavor, the GDIZ continues its journey in creating a virtuous ecosystem to promote the establishment of local businesses as well as direct investments from abroad (FDI approved) to Benin, thus supporting the uninterrupted supply of raw materials and facilitating the export and local distribution of high value added products. 37 Ha Cashew Zone with ready-to-use sheds, warehousing and drying areas

100,000 sqm of warehousing for storage of Raw Cashew Nuts (RCN) all year long

Team of 100+ supply chain experts to guarantee procurement of the right quality and quantity of RCN Truck terminal and container yard for cost-efficient hassle-free logistics to and from the zone

> Certification support for EU, UK, US and all other international markets

Cashew Nut Shell Liquid (CNSL) plant to ensure zero-waste for processors

Pre-financing options for stocking RCN for the full year



#### **GLO-DJIGBÉ INDUSTRIAL ZONE (GDIZ)**

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