

Investment Climate & Opportunities

Agenda

- Economic Overall vision
- OCIPED vision and Mission
- Economic policy
- Investment Opportunities

Oman's Vision

The basis of the National Economy is
justice

and the principles of Free Economy

OCIPED's Vision

Creation of wealth through investment

Promotion and Export Development

OCIPED's Mission

- Individuals right to chose in Commercial Transactions.
- Ability to Voluntary Exchange of Goods and Services.
- Freedom to Compete.
- Protection of personal, intellectual and property rights.
- Ability to access Sound Money.

Economic Policy

- Size of Government
- Legal Structure & Security of Property Rights
- Sound Money
- Freedom of Exchange with Foreign
- Regulation of credit, labour & business

Size of the Government

| Country | Rank | Score |
|-------------|------|-------|
| Hong Kong | 1 | 9.29 |
| Togo | 2 | 9.28 |
| El Salvador | 3 | 8.96 |
| Oman | 104 | 5.63 |
| Sweden | 139 | 3.61 |
| Algeria | 140 | 3.14 |
| Angola | 141 | 0.00 |

Size of the Government

- General Govt. Consumption
- Transfer & Subsidies
- Government Enterprises
- Top Marginal Tax
 - Top Marginal Income tax rate
 - Top Marginal income & payroll tax

Legal Structure & Security of Property Rights

| Country | Rank | Score |
|------------------|------|-------|
| New Zealand | 1 | 8.98 |
| Norway | 2 | 8.80 |
| Denmark | 3 | 8.74 |
| Oman | 23 | 7.36 |
| Chad | 139 | 2.18 |
| Central Afr. Rep | 140 | 2.17 |
| Congo, Dem. Rep | 141 | 2.14 |

Legal Structure & Security of Property Rights

- Judicial Independence
- Impartial Courts
- Protection of Property Rights
- Military Interference
- Integrity of the legal System
- Legal Enforcement
- Regulatory restriction of the Sale of Property

Sound Money

| Country | Rank | Score |
|---------------|------|-------|
| Jamaica | 1 | 9.77 |
| United States | 2 | 9.69 |
| Taiwan | 3 | 9.65 |
| Oman | 75 | 7.88 |
| Myanmar | 139 | 4.46 |
| Ethiopia | 140 | 3.87 |
| Zimbabwe | 141 | 0.00 |

Sound Money

- Money Growth
- Standard Deviation of Inflation
- Inflation most recent year
- Freedom to Hold Foreign Currency
Bank Accounts

Freedom to trade internationally

| Country | Rank | Score |
|------------------|------|-------|
| Hong Kong | 1 | 9.55 |
| Singapore | 2 | 9.34 |
| Chile | 3 | 8.61 |
| Oman | 39 | 7.38 |
| Central Afr. Rep | 139 | 3.59 |
| Venezuela | 140 | 3.52 |
| Myanmar | 141 | 1.34 |

Freedom to trade internationally

- Taxes on International Trade
 - Revenue from Trade Taxes
 - Mean Tariff Rate
 - Standard Deviation of Tariff Rat.
- Regulatory Trade Barriers
 - Non Tariff Barriers
 - Compliance of Cost of Import & Export

Freedom to trade internationally

- Size of Trade Sector
- Black Market Exchange Rate
- International Capital Market Control
 - Foreign Ownership
 - Capital Control

Regulations to Credit, Labor and Business

| Country | Rank | Score |
|--------------|------|-------|
| Bahamas | 1 | 8.85 |
| Hong Kong | 2 | 8.78 |
| Belize | 3 | 8.73 |
| Oman | 20 | 7.86 |
| Togo | 139 | 4.36 |
| Congo Dem. R | 140 | 4.35 |
| Myanmar | 141 | 3.73 |

Credit Market Regulation

| Country | Rank | Score |
|-------------|------|-------|
| Estonia | 1 | 10.00 |
| Kuwait | 1 | 10.00 |
| New Zealand | 1 | 10.00 |
| Oman | 73 | 8.69 |
| Ethiopia | 139 | 4.43 |
| Myanmar | 140 | 3.91 |
| Syria | 141 | 3.01 |

Regulations to Credit, Labor and Business

- Credit Market Regulation
 - Ownership of Banks
 - Foreign Bank Competition.
 - Private Sector Credit
 - Interest Rate Controls

Labor Market Regulations

| Country | Rank | Score |
|-----------|------|-------|
| Bahamas | 1 | 9.40 |
| Hong Kong | 2 | 9.31 |
| Fiji | 3 | 9.22 |
| Oman | 17 | 8.12 |
| Venezuela | 138 | 3.14 |
| Angola | 139 | 2.98 |
| Niger | 140 | 2.86 |

Regulations to Credit, Labor and Business

- Labor Market Regulations 7.39
 - Minimum Wage
 - Hiring and Firing Regulations
 - Centralized Collective Bargaining
 - Mandated Cost of Hiring
 - Mandated Cost of Workers Dismissal
 - Conscription

Business Regulations

| Country | Rank | Score |
|-------------|------|-------|
| Belize | 1 | 8.06 |
| Singapore | 2 | 8.01 |
| New Zealand | 3 | 7.79 |
| Oman | 23 | 6.75 |
| Ukraine | 138 | 3.70 |
| Zimbabwe | 139 | 3.40 |
| Venezuela | 140 | 3.07 |

Regulations to Credit, Labor & Business

- Business Regulations
 - Price Control
 - Administrative Requirements
 - Bureaucracy Cost
 - Starting a Business
 - Extra Payments / Bribes
 - Licensing Restriction
 - Cost of Tax Compliance

Summery of Over All Rating

| Country | Rank | Score |
|-------------|------|-------|
| Hong Kong | 1 | 9.05 |
| Singapore | 2 | 8.70 |
| New Zealand | 3 | 8.27 |
| Oman | 43 | 7.22 |
| Angola | 139 | 3.89 |
| Myanmar | 140 | 3.81 |
| Zimbabwe | 141 | 3.57 |

Priority Sectors

- Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals
- Plastics
- Tourism
- Metals
- Renewable Energy
- Information Communications Technology
- Marine
- Automotives
- Services



Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals



- Manufacture of methanol derivative products
- Pharmaceuticals
- Manufacture of specialist and consumer products

Plastics



- Downstream manufacture of polypropylene products
- Non-woven;
- BOPP film
- Bulk containers & woven sacks;
- Polypropylene ropes;
- Hollow corrugated sheets;
- Cast films
- Injection moulded luggage

Tourism



- Luxury hotels
- Green hotels
- Business hotels
- MICE
- Tourist attractions and Sports facilities operators
- Tourism support services

Metals



- Aluminium Rolling
- Automotive Parts
- Building and Construction products
- Packaging and consumer goods
- Industrial products and treatments

Renewable Energy



- Solar power generation
- Solar power
Desalination
- Manufacture Solar
Cells
- Solar energy
technology - Research
and design (R&D)

Information Communications Technology



- Internet Service
- Hardware manufacture/assembly
- Customer support centres for Arabic
- IT consulting and integration services
- Back-office transaction
- Software development

Marine



- Aquaculture
- Pearl cultivation
- Fish processing
- Fishing port development
- Fishing ship and boat
- R&D activities

Automotives



- Plastic and metal components
- Electronic Components
- Navigation systems
- Subsystem assembly
- IT System

Services

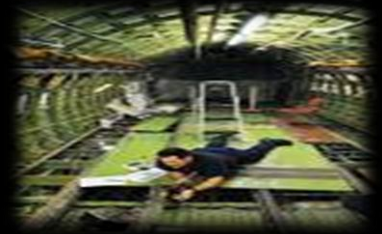


- Legal Services
- Accounting
- Market Research
- Management consultancy
- Technical consultancy
- Advertising

Duqum Development

Over 20,000 hectares 500,000 population

- Aircraft maintenance & Heavy lift Air logistic
- Aircraft design & engineering
- Aviation college
- Industrial & Commercial and Warehousing Zones
- Medical Zone, Education Zone
- Tourist & Hotel Zone
- Sports & Entertainment Zone
- Office & Exhibition Zone
- Villas & Residence Zone



Thank You

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