

JORDAN

A PRO-BUSINESS ECOSYSTEM

GLOBAL TRADE AGREEMENTS



MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

- 1998 – Joined Greater Arab Free Trade Area
- 2004 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with Israel
- 2005 – Reached Full Trade Liberalization among all 17 Arab member states
- 2011 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with Turkey
- 2011 – Signed memorandum of understanding with Iraq for bilateral cooperation and a free zone as a hub



EUROPE

- 2001 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with European Free Trade Association, hitting complete trade liberalization by 2014
- 2002 – Economic association agreement with the EU allows for free movement of capital and cooperation on development and political issues
- 2009 – Jordan and Turkey sign an association agreement to establish a Free Trade Zone, which entered into force in January 2011



NORTH AMERICA

- 1996 – Established 13 Qualified Industrial Zones (QIZ). Goods can be imported to US tariff and quota free if 35% of the product's content comes from a QIZ, Israel, the West Bank or Gaza
- 2001 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with the United States
- 2009 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with Canada to eliminate all non-agricultural tariffs and most agricultural tariffs.



ASIA

- 2004 – Signed Free Trade Agreement with Singapore

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

- Signatory to World Intellectual Property Organization treaties
- Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) protections in place

JORDANIAN ECONOMIC INVESTMENT ZONES

Jordan is divided into three investment zones.

Most Developed Least Developed



All agricultural, maritime transport and railway investments are classified as **Zone C**, irrespective of location.

Regional Development Areas enjoy:

5% Income Tax
0% Income Tax on Exports
Sales Tax
Import Duties
Social Services Tax
Dividends Tax

Jordan's regional development programs are designed to leverage the unique investment characteristics of each region

- **Aqaba Special Economic Zone:** Logistics, warehouses, transportation and tourism
- **Jordan Development Area:** Tourism, hospitality and eco-tourism
- **King Hussein Business Park Development Area:** Mixed-use technology, front and middle office
- **Irbid Development Area:** IT/BPO Service and healthcare
- **KHBTDA (Mafraq):** Industrial and logistics hub
- **Ma'an Development Area:** Industrial Park for light, medium and heavy industries; ceramics, plastics, electrical appliances and renewable energy

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREAS

