

# Investing in *Kivu*

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUAL INVESTORS AND  
PLANTING THE SEEDS FOR A SECURE FUTURE.

Nationals and foreigners are free to invest in Kivu's many sectors of activity.

All foreign investors can hold up to 100 % of capital in a project in most sectors without any formal authorisation. However, some service activities that are not export oriented do need an authorisation for majority holdings held by a foreign party.

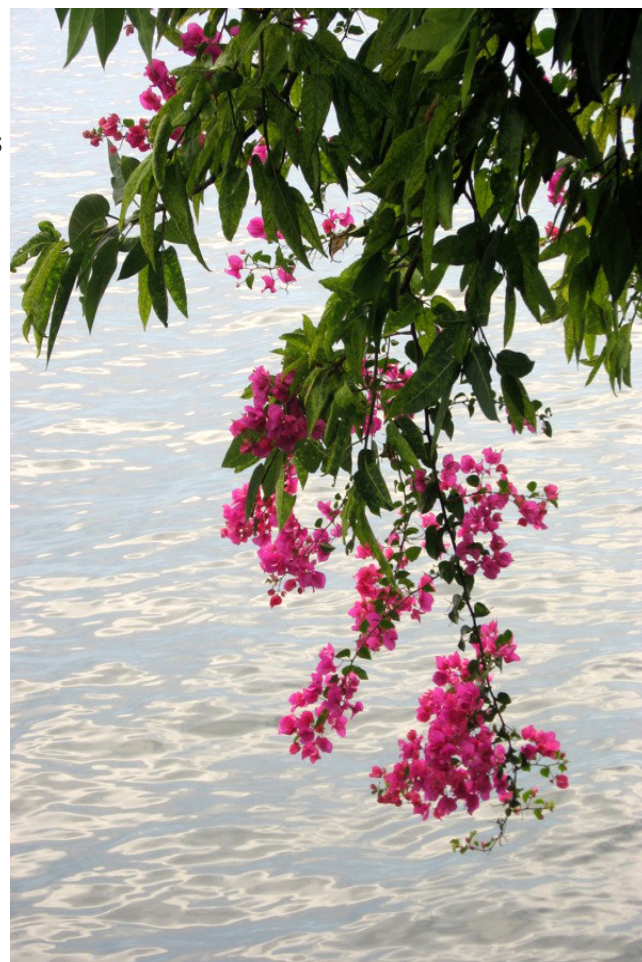
In the agricultural sector, foreign investors can hold up to 100% of company capital.

## Helping you achieve your financial goals

### WHY INVEST IN KIVU

**You have the benefit of several advantages when you invest in Kivu**

- Freedom to invest in numerous sectors
- Clear and investment-friendly legislation in a single code
- A one-stop window to simplify all administrative procedures
- Numerous advantages for totally exporting companies
- A skilled labor force with a surprising aptitude to rapidly master new technologies
- A real legal protection for the investor
- A foreign exchange market with freedom of transfer
- A functional infrastructure continuously improving



### GEOGRAPHY

The United Republic of Kivu is situated in central Africa. It shares its borders with Katanga, Boyoma, Kasai, Burundi, Rwanda and Uganda.

The country's capital city is Bukavu. Other important cities include Goma, Butembo, Beni, Kampene, Punia, Kasongo, Kindu and Uvira.





# United Republic of Kivu





# Country Opportunities United Republic of Kivu

## Economy & Foreign Investments

### Investment Incentives and Taxation

The United Republic of Kivu Government makes strong efforts in order to maintain United Kivu as an attractive location for foreign investment. Price regulations and other restrictions connected with energy supply and telecommunication services have been abolished allowing free competition for all investors.

Tax incentives

There is total tax exemption on profits for the first ten years of operation for :

- exports-derived income
- agricultural projects
- regional development projects.

Payment of taxes at a rate of 10% starting the 11th year

A reduced tax rate of 10% Education, higher education, vocational training, environmental protection.

Tax relief

Tax cuts are granted for profits and reinvested earnings from 35% (general rule) to 100% providing a minimum tax of 15% on corporate general profits and 45% on personal income tax.

The United Republic of Kivu is a Constitutionally Democratic Country it intends to develop its economy in central Africa. It intends to establish a social market economy which is based on the concept of a free market economy.

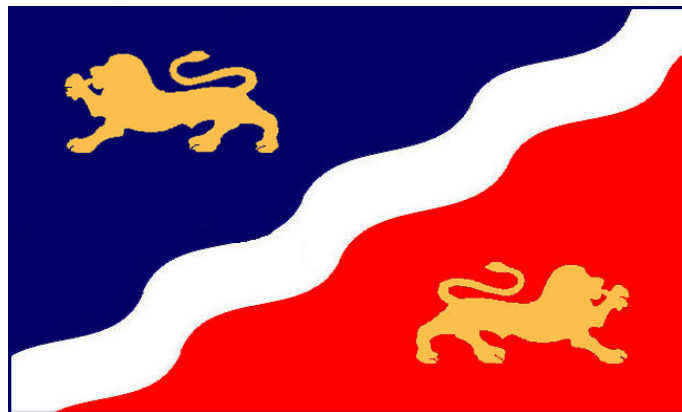
The Government of United Kivu pursues a very open approach to international trade and thanks to its central location it offers many opportunities for business activities throughout Eastern and Western Africa.

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develop the skills and level of professional qualification of Kivian employees. The Government of the

United Republic of Kivu intends to establish a social security system providing for pension insurance, health insurance, unemployment insurance and nursing insurance. The employees are organized in unions in order to assert their interests against company policy. Statute law gives the employees a right of co-determination in relation to certain activities of their employers.



**SMARTER  
INVESTING:**  
Experience vs.  
Discipline



### Common incentives

Tax relief on reinvested profits and income up to 35% of the income or profits subject to tax.

Customs duties exemption for capital goods that have no locally made counterparts.

VAT limited on capital goods imports (2007 Finance Act provisions).

Possibility to choose the reducing balance method of depreciation for production material and equipment which useful life exceeds 7 years.



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