

# Moroccan Investment Development Agency Investment projects bank

Project Teaser
Conference Center

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#### **Overview**

In order to ensure an effective promotion of investments in Morocco initiated by both local and foreign institutions, Invest in Morocco (the Moroccan Investment Promotion Agency) has created a projects/opportunities bank to facilitate the contacts between projects sponsors and their future partners.

Projects teasers will be also made available via Invest In Morocco's website and will help the prospective partners to get a global overview of the investment opportunity while ensuring the confidentiality required by the sponsor at initial stages.

If the prospective partner decides to go further in the opportunity analysis, he can ask Invest In Morocco to arrange him a meeting with the project sponsor.

In order to maximize the added value of the projects bank, the matchmaking process is not limited to strategic and financial partnerships but covers virtually all possible opportunities like commercial agreements, mergers & acquisitions, joint ventures, representation agreements...

We hope that this projects bank will help investors to develop strong relationships and enhance the value creation in all economic sectors.

### **Project presentation**

	Summarized data
Opportunity/Project	Prepared land sale dedicated to the construction of a conference center
Industry/sector	Real Estate
Project size (in Million MAD)	52,77 Million MAD (about 6 Million USD)
Project components	Prepared and equipped land plots totaling 5,27 Hectares
Opportunity localization (city/region)	Lakhyayta, between Casablanca and El Jadida cities
Project Target Return (IRR or ROI)	
Current project status (study/appraisal phase, initiation, operational)	Initiation

#### Key project facts (perspectives, sector outlook...):

- Located near the "economic capital" of Morocco and to one of the fastest growing industry poles, the new city
  of Lakhyayta represents a brand new urban architecture concept adopted by the Moroccan Government with
  the focus set on ecology and transportations optimization. With integrated economic and social facilities, this
  new city will cover a total area of 1 301 Hectares and will have 58 000 housing units, green spaces, food
  industry zone, a population of 300 000 and create more than 61 000 jobs;
- The current project will be dedicated to events, conferences and entertainment activities and will host a modern
  regional conference center to satisfy the needs of the new city population and to allow the promotion of its
  activities. For this purposes, the project sponsor has already prepared and equipped about 5 Hectares with the
  necessary infrastructures and adopted a detailed and clear set of technical specifications to be respected by
  future land acquirers. Sales are planned for 2016.

## Project initiator/sponsor

	Summarized data
Main businesses/activities	Real estate development
Institution type (company, fund, holding)	Group
Size (average revenues in MAD)	5 000 Million MAD (about 560 Million USD)
Origin of capital (Moroccan, Foreign, Mixed)	Moroccan Government

#### Key project sponsor facts (performances, positioning, expertise...):

- The sponsor is one of the most important real estate operators with the oldest presence in the sector and a well recognized expertise gained through several decades of successful projects, mainly in social housing;
- The business model of the sponsor relies on a high integration level of the real estate value chain (design construction marketing) and a strong partnership network with both public and private sector operators in addition to international firms. It has also an ambitious development plan to increase the social and medium standing offer given the huge gap in these segments that is estimated at 1 Million units;
- The development model of the sponsor is designed around a holding architecture, with central headquarters defining the overall strategy and regional and special subsidiaries created to deal with all the operational issues to ensure an effective and efficient project implementation.

## Seeked partnership

	Summarized data
Possible or seeked partnership(s)	Joint Venture
	Sleeping Partner (minor share ownership without active management role)
	Joint SPV controlled by the external partner
	Shares acquisition
	Company acquisition or diversiture
	X Others: Investors and developers
Special conditions for the partnership	<ul> <li>Investors with recognized expertise and track record in event and conference facilities management and development</li> </ul>
	Solid financial situation and technical know-how
Next steps	Discussing the partnership conditions
	Finalizing contracts

#### **Expected partnership benefits:**

- The project will offer a modern events and conference center near to the most dynamic economic region of Morocco and will allow the future city businesses and population to benefit from an adequate promotion and entertainment offer addressing local needs while respecting sustainable development considerations;
- The investors who will acquire and develop the land plots will also benefit from a big demand potential given the multiple events that would be organized and hosted by the new city and the growing interest for outdoor entertainment and cultural activities that are becoming a natural part of the Moroccan lifestyle;
- Future investors will benefit from an incentive package offered by the Moroccan Government within investment agreements and including tax and financial incentives.

For next steps or more details about the current document, please contact the Matchmaking Manager:

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