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Greetings,

The Islamic Center for Trade Development (ICDT) presents you its compliments.

Please find attached the verbal note number 279 -2023.

The Islamic Centre for Development of Trade avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Chamber in charge of Commerce and Industry the assurances of its highest consideration.



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CENTRE ISLAMIQUE POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT DU COMMERCE



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The Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) presents its compliments to the Honorable Chambers in charge of Commerce and Industry in the OIC Member States and has the honor to inform them that within the framework of promoting trade and investments in the OIC countries, the Islamic Center for Development of Trade (ICDT), the Cooperation and Capacity Development (CCD) Department of the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) will organize in collaboration with the National Agency for Investments and Exports of Chad (ANIE) under the high patronage of H.E. The General Mr. Mahamat Idriss Deby ITNO, President of the Transition, President of the Republic, Head of State, the "ICDT Invest Days N'Djaména" Forum on the theme "Investing in Chad, Investing in the Future" on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023, in N'Djaména, Republic of Chad.

The objective of this forum is to highlight Chad as an attractive investment destination and to present to investors from OIC Member Countries the main investment opportunities available in the country. In addition, the forum will encourage the development of economic and commercial partnerships between OIC countries and promote regional integration.

Furthermore, this forum will facilitate the exchange of national and regional experiences, contribute to the financing of projects by regional financial institutions, encourage the realization of investment intentions for strategic projects, with a view to stimulate investments in intra-OIC value chains.

On this occasion, ICDT is pleased to invite the Honorable Chambers in charge of Commerce and Industry in the OIC Member States to kindly disseminate this information to the private sector and trade-related entities within their respective countries, including importers, distributors, and investors.

ICDT avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Honorable Chambers in charge of Commerce and Industry in OIC Member States the assurances of its highest consideration.

**To: Chamber in charge of Commerce and Industry in OIC Member States**



**Enclosed:** Concept Note and Program of the "ICDT Invest Days N'Djaména" Forum



## INVESTING IN CHAD, INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

ICDT Invest Days N'Djaména

13-14 December 2023

N'Djaména, Republic of Chad

### 1. Context :

Chad, positioned as the fifth-largest nation in Africa, boasts an expansive landmass spanning 1.284 million square kilometers. Situated at the crossroads of North Africa and sub-Saharan Africa, it serves as a symbolic hub where diverse cultures intersect. This cultural fusion is evident in the country's official languages, which include French and Arabic. Abundantly blessed with invaluable natural resources, Chad presents a landscape of immense promise, yet much of its potential remains untapped.

Chad is far more than just a vast country. It also demonstrates a remarkable economic performance. As the largest producer of livestock and meat in Central Africa, it is home to 146.8 million head of livestock, thus confirming its preeminence in this field. Besides, this leading position extends to the gum Arabic industry, where it ranks second in the world for the production of Gum Arabic Kitir and first for Talha production. Chad's role as the third largest sesame producer in Africa and 17<sup>th</sup> worldwide underscores its significant position on the international stage.

Chad's territory, with more than 5 million hectares of developable flatlands, 23 million hectares of natural forests and almost 40 million hectares of arable land, offers a fertile field for economic growth. Its underground water resources, estimated at around 20 billion cubic meters per year, bring another extra dimension to its development prospects.

This potential has captured the attention of the country's governing bodies, leading to ambitious initiatives aimed at guaranteeing the well-being of its citizens and catalyzing Chad's emergence by 2030. As a result, extensive action has been taken in the area of political governance, focusing on economic diversification, infrastructure development and attraction of private investment.

The Presidential Council for the Improvement of the Business Climate (CPACAT) was created as part of this approach. Under the aegis of the President of the Republic, this Council has a dual mission which consists of ensuring the application of the advantages granted to investors and supervising the constant improvement of the business climate. This initiative bears witness to Chad's determination to become a flagship destination for successful investment in Africa.

The strategic sectors of oil, agriculture, mining, infrastructure, and tourism define substantial opportunities for foreign investors. To exploit this potential, Chad has developed an innovative regulatory framework and introduced incentives to attract investment. This dynamic is reflected in prospecting missions abroad aimed at attracting new investors.

Chad aspires to diversify its economy and stimulate its socio-economic development. Its investment-friendly legal and regulatory framework, its targeted priority sectors and the financial incentives it offers, as well as its promotion of public-private partnerships, are, actually, evidence of its commitment to pursue a dynamic path towards economic growth by establishing itself as a promising destination for profitable investment in Africa.

**ICDT Invest Days N'Djaména – an opportunity to promote Chad's destination.**

Organized by the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT), a subsidiary organ of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) entrusted with developing trade and investment among the Member States, " **ICDT Invest Days** " constitutes a platform for the promotion and development of investment among OIC Member States. Following the editions of Dakar and Nouakchott, N'Djaména is the third venue of this cycle of business events, scheduled to take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023. This high-level meeting will shed light on new investment opportunities in Chad and reinforce economic relations between Chad and the 56 other member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC). It is worth mentioning that various economic actors will participate public and private investment actors, investment promotion agencies, employers' federations, professional associations, bankers, and insurers, ...

**Organizers:**

- Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT)
- National Investment and Export Agency (ANIE)

**Institutional Partners:**

- Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)
- Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)
- African Development Bank (AfDB)
- African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank);
- Bank of Central African States

**Technical Partner:**

- Mazars Morocco

**Stakeholders:**

- Prime Minister's Office of the Republic of Chad
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- Ministry of Economic Outlook and International Partnerships;
- Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- National Investment and Export Agency (ANIE);
- National Council of Chad Employers (CNPT);
- Chad Association of Credit Institution Professionals (APEC-Tchad);
- Chad Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Agriculture, Mines and Crafts (CCIAMA)
- Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC);
- Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT);
- Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA);
- Islamic Development Bank Group (IsDB);
- African Development Bank (AfDB)
- African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank);

- Bank of Central African States (BEAC)
- African Solidarity Fund (ASF)
- African Guarantee Fund and Economic Cooperation (FAGACE)
- ARISE IIP Group.
- Chad Hydrocarbons Company (SHT)
- National Mining and Geology Company (SONAMIG)

**2. The Main Objectives and Expected Results**

- To promote Chad as an investment destination and introduce investors from OIC member countries to the key available opportunities;
- To foster the development of economic and commercial partnerships among OIC member countries;
- To promote co-investment among the leaders of the Islamic economies for greater value addition and regional integration;
- To exchange national and regional experiences and the financing of projects of regional banks;
- To explore investment opportunities in Chad;
- To encourage the conclusion of investment intentions on structuring projects;
- To stimulate investments in intra-OIC value chains.

**3. Venue: Radisson Blu N'Djaména**

**4. Date: 13- 14 December 2023**

5. Draft Program

<i>Investing in Chad, Investing in the future</i>			
Wednesday 13 December 2023			Observations
8H30-09H00 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>	Welcoming and registering participants	
9H00-10H00 a.m.	<b>Opening session</b> Opening speeches  <b>Master of ceremonies:</b> <b>Yasmine Dona,</b> <b>Communication</b> <b>Manager at</b> <b>ANIE</b>	<b>Opening remarks :</b> – <b>H.E. Mrs. Latifa ELBOUABDELLAOUI</b> , Director General of the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) – <b>H.E. Dr. Sidi OULD TAH</b> , President of the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) – <b>H.E. Dr. Mumammed Al-JASSER</b> , President of the IsDB Group – <b>H.E. Mr. Hissein Brahim TAHA</b> , Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) – <b>H.E. The General Mr. Mahamat Idriss Deby ITNO</b> , President of the Transition, President of the Republic, Head of State – Family Photo	<i>Order of protocol to be defined with ANIE and Chadian authorities</i>
10H00-10H15 a.m.		<b>Pitch Invest in Chad :</b> <b>Dr. Nassour Mahamat DELIO</b> , Director General, National Investment and Export Agency (ANIE)	<i>Presentation on the business climate and investment opportunities</i>
10H15-11H15 a.m.	<b>Investment:</b> Business environment and risk management	<b>National Plan 2021-2025: Public-private synergies on the road to emergence</b> ▪ <b>H.E Mr. Moussa Saleh Batraki</b> , Minister of Economic Outlook, and International Partnerships ▪ <b>Dr. Nassour Mahamat DELIO</b> , Director General, National Investment and Export Agency (ANIE) ▪ <b>Mr. Bichara DOUDOUA</b> , President, National Council of Chad Employers (CNPT)	<i>-National Plan 2021-2025: Mid-term progress and prospects for 2025</i> <i>-Achievements in terms of attractiveness and boosting the business climate</i>  <i>- Sharing experiences with national and</i>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Dr. Issa DOUBRAGNE</b>, former Minister of Planning, Coordinator of the Special Infrastructure Fund</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Gagan GUPTA</b>, President and CEO, ARISE IIP Group</li> <li>▪ <b>Representatives of Financial Institutions:</b> BADEA, IsDB, Afreximbank, AfDB, BEAC, ASF, FAGACE</li> <li>▪ <b>President of APEC-Tchad</b> (Chad Association of Credit Institution Professionals)</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator : Mr. DADI ADOUM ARSIN</b>, Director of Investor Services</p>	<p><i>international private sectors</i></p> <p>- <i>Involvement of financial partners in resource allocation</i></p>
<b>11H15-11H30 a.m.</b>	<b><i>Coffee Break</i></b>		
<b>11H30 a.m.-1H00 p.m.</b> ( <i>Simultaneous sessions</i> )	<b>Business Room 1</b> <i>Livestock &amp; Agriculture, Fisheries</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest
	<b>Business Room 2</b> <i>Infrastructure &amp; construction</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest
	<b>Business Room 3</b> <i>Mining &amp; Industry</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest
<b>1H00-2H30 p.m.</b>	<b><i>Lunch Break</i></b>		
<b>2H30-4H00 p.m.</b> ( <i>Simultaneous sessions</i> )	<b>Business Room B2G 4</b> <i>Energy &amp; oil</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest
	<b>Business Room B2G 5</b> <i>Tourism</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest
	<b>Business Room B2G 6</b> <i>NTIC</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation by sector</li> <li>▪ Project pitches</li> <li>▪ Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	One-to-one sessions, led by project leaders - Expressions of investment interest

2H00-4H15 p.m.	<b>Concluding session</b>	<b>Speakers :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>H.E. Mrs. Latifa ELBOUABDELLAOUI :</b> Director General of the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT)</li><li>▪ <b>Dr. Nassour Mahamat DELIO,</b> Director General, National Investment and Export Agency (ANIE)</li></ul>	
<b>Thursday 14 December 2023</b>			
10H00a.m.- 2H00 p.m.	<b>On-site visits</b>	<i>Visits to strategic locations</i>	
7H-9H p.m.	<b>Gala Dinner</b>	<i>Dinner hosted by ICDT and ANIE</i>	





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