# **Country Seminar: Kazakhstan**







**Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce** 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2017



➤ Membership in the organizations: UN, IMF, WB, OSCE, OIC, WTO.





•Astana, the capital, has became **one of the largest business centers** in Kazakhstan with more than 128000 small and medium enterprises in the city

# **Rankings**

- Economy profile ranking 41<sup>st</sup> in 2016 among 189 countries (World Bank "Doing Business" 2016)
- ✓ Contracts execution 9<sup>th</sup> position
- ✓ Protecting minority investors 25<sup>th</sup> position
- ✓ Taxation  $-18^{th}$  position
- Global Competitiveness ranking –
   42nd position as of 2016 (WEF)
- Efficiency of the labour market 18<sup>th</sup> position out of 140 countries (WEF "Global Competitiveness Report 2015-2016")





Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016: accession of Kazakhstan to the **OECD** declaration on international investment and multinational enterprises

• entry into the **OECD** investment committee as an "Associate member"

# Foreign investors support measures

Norway

• Sweden

Malaysia

Japan

South Korea

Iceland

Ireland

Italy

Japan

Netherlands

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Norway Bulgaria

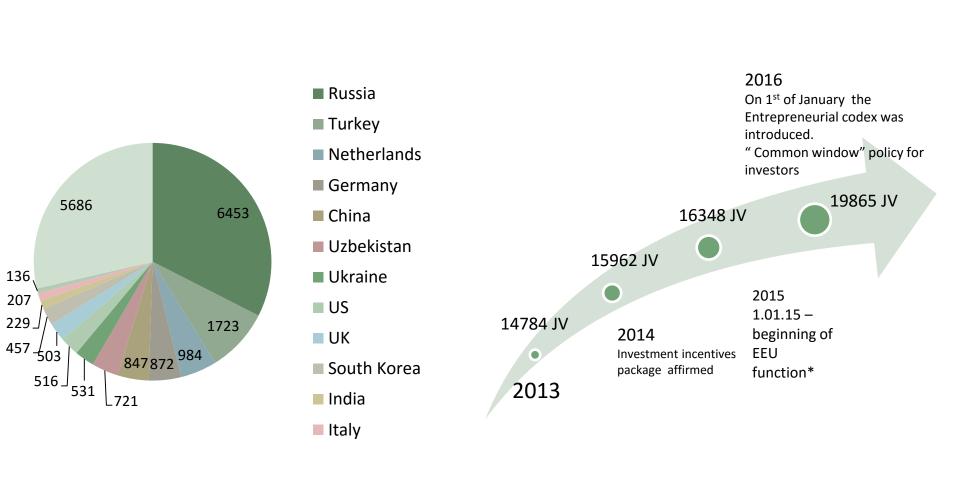
Slovakia UAE

Portugal Singapore

Slovenia



### Joint ventures



## **Anchor investors projects**

#### Currently a number of following projects are taking place:



Cremonini - LLP "Aktep"



General electric – JSC " NC Kazakh Railways"



Solvay

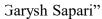




Renault – Nissan – AvtoVAZ – JSC "



Airbus Group – JSC NC " Kazakhstan



Iluka – JSC " Kazgeologiya"

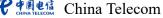




Kores – JSC " Kazgeologiya"

Wengfu Group Co., Limited – LLP " Chilisai Chemicals"





- Construction of meat processing factory with feedlot
- Cooper porphyry ore exploration
- "Gevo" engines production
- Localization of hydrogen peroxide production
- Construction of chemical fertilizers production factory in Zhambylskaya oblast (South of Kazakhstan)
- Cars manufacturing on the base of JSC "Asia Auto Kazakhstan" in Eastern Kazakh oblast
- Construction of assembly testing facilities of Space Vehicles
- Construction of rare earth metals processing factory
- Project implementation on polymetallic ores in Dusembay, Karagandinskaya oblast
- Construction of chemical fertilizers production factory in Aktubinskaya oblast
- The project covering the fiber-optic communication line





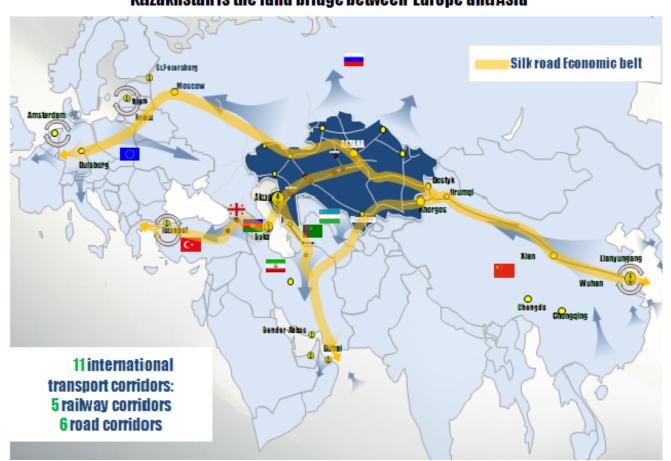


- Ombudsman Institute has been created to assist all investors in solving their problems;
- The Principle of "One Window" is used for investors' relations with government and other bodies

# "Nurly Zhol", Silk Road Economic Belt programs in the country



#### Kazakhstan is the land bridge between Europe and Asia





- •about 120 brand new industrial projects worth more than 3 billion USD launched
- •10 000 permanent jobs created
- •new housing provided to young and lowincome families.
- •Until 2020, it is planned to implement projects with a total investment of about 40 billion USD.

### **Large – scale investments in transport infrastructure**



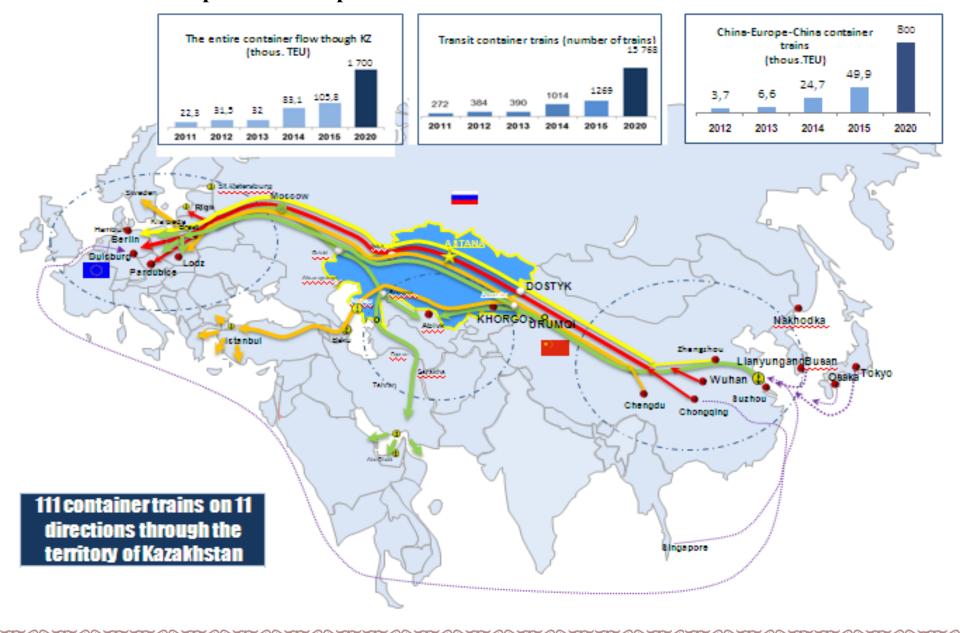
#### Over the last 5 years, the quality of infrastructure has improved by 19 points (WEF GCI Indicators)



63 place



## **Container transportation map**



#### Western and Eastern Gates of Kazakhstan



> 63 973 TEU handled in dry port before October 1⁵1, 2016

#### **Privatization program**



<sup>·</sup> Reducing state regulation of business;





We invite business of Luxembourg to participate in this programme of privatization

All the necessary information can be obtained here:

http://privatization.sk.kz/en

<sup>.</sup> Development of national capital market and financial institutions;

Increasing business activity and labor productivity;

<sup>·</sup> Improving investment climate.



- products of chemical and allied industries,
- textiles, footwear, articles of stone,
- plaster, cement, optical equipment,
- medical and surgical instruments

Kazakhstan welcomes recent decision from 10<sup>th</sup> of February of the Government of Luxembourg to be a national participant in EXPO 2017

Luxembourg companies operating In Kazakhstan :

**Arcelor Mittal** - the largest mining and metallurgical sector of the Republic of Kazakhstan

**Tenaris** - leading supplier of tubes and related services for the world's energy industry and certain other industrial applications



#### alternative finance, and fin tech firms

- financial & logistics hub of the vast Eurasian region
- 200000 sq m office space

WHAT TO EXPECT



STAGE 1

Local center of expertise



STAGE 2
Regional financial intermediary market



STAGE 3
Regional financial center



STAGE 4

International financial center



## **AIFC CONNECTIVITY**

Astana is already connected with direct flights to Frankfurt, London, Vienna, Paris, Seoul, Bangkok, Beijing, Istanbul, Abu Dhabi and Dubai. In the next few years the government aims at connecting with Hong Kong, Singapore, Tokyo, Zurich, New York and Shanghai. It will be done through a phased liberalization of air traffic at Astana airport to foreign carriers on the principle of <u>Open Skies</u>.



