EMERGENCE THROUGH INDUSTRIALIZATION

Ivorian industrial policy revolves around three (03) strategies goals :

• make the private sector the spearhead of production ;

• exploit the country comparative advantages ;

• provide targeted support to companies in the agri-business, non-agricultural natural resources (mining, oil, energy), the structuring industries (metallurgy, steel plant, cement factory, chemistry), consumer products (textiles, packaging, drugs), light manufacturing (assembling and mounting, small equipment).

A largely untapped mining potential : Only gold and manganese are exploited by industry.

Substance	Location	Reserves (in tons)	
Iron	Mont Klahoyo-Tia, Mont Gao, TrotoSegaye, Monogaga	2,710 billion	
Lateritic nickel	Sipilou, Foungbesso	257,4 billion	
Bauxite	Divo, Benene, Toumodi	1214 million	
Maganese	Bondoukou, Lauzoua, Odiené	6 million	
Coltan	Issia, Touvré	145	
Diamond	Bobi, Tortiya	Bobi, Tortiya 116 000 carats	

Table of gold production

Indicator	2011	2012	2013	2014
Gold (in ton)	12,4	12,2	15,5	18,6

Source : General Direction of Mining and Geology

Become an energy hub in West Africa

The large capacity of power generation enabling the supply of neighboring countries in electricity by interconnection is a major asset for industrialization and modernization. Oil production is gradually gaining importance in the Ivorian economy, with a steady growth rate and large scale investments.

The state aims to increase oil production estimated at **60 000 barrels per** day (in 2014) to **200 000 barrels in 2020** in order to attract **8,500 billion CFA francs of investments in hydrocarbons and oil infrastructures sector between 2014 and 2020.**

► THE TERTIARY SECTOR CONTRIBUTES 47% TO GDP AND EMPLOYS 22% OF THE WORKFORCE.

• **The telecommunications industry** is a booming business with 6 mobile operators. It is the same formass retail. Côte d'Ivoire has the largest retail outlets in the region.

- **Communication and printing sectors** are very active, with a regular publication of more than 60 newspapers.
- Tourism has great potential for development

• **The financial sector** has not been left behind;with 26 banks and various insurance companies, it shows some vitality.

A BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT ENHANCEMENT SCHEME

The country offers an ongoing improvement in business environment, to make life easier for the Investors.

- Company creation within 24H,
- **Strengthening legal certainty for business** with the Commercial Court that makes decisions in less than 60 days,

• Setting up of CEPICI, Foreign Trade and Building Permitsone-stop shop for businesses formalities.

AN ATTRACTIVE INVESTMENT CODE

The new Investment Code, adopted in 2012, gives more guarantees and incentives than the one of 1995 to investors who havedecided to establish inCôte d'Ivoire. These concern :

- The state assistance to businesses who suffer damage linked to popular movements,
- Access to developed industrial zones.
- Full exemption of VAT on materials and equipment during investment phase
- Reduction of customs duties on materials and equipment.
- Partial exemption of employer's share of tax on wages and salaries.

For Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), the following additional measures:

 Provision of preferential rate for water, electricity as well as new technology benefits to raw material processing units;
Exemption from duty



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