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The 2nd Forum on The Role of Industrial and Free Zones in Attracting Industrial Investments and Developing Exports

Under the slogan
**Industrial and Free Zones as a System
to Stimulate Investment and Facilitate Trade**



Mövenpick Hotel - Tangier, Kingdom of Morocco

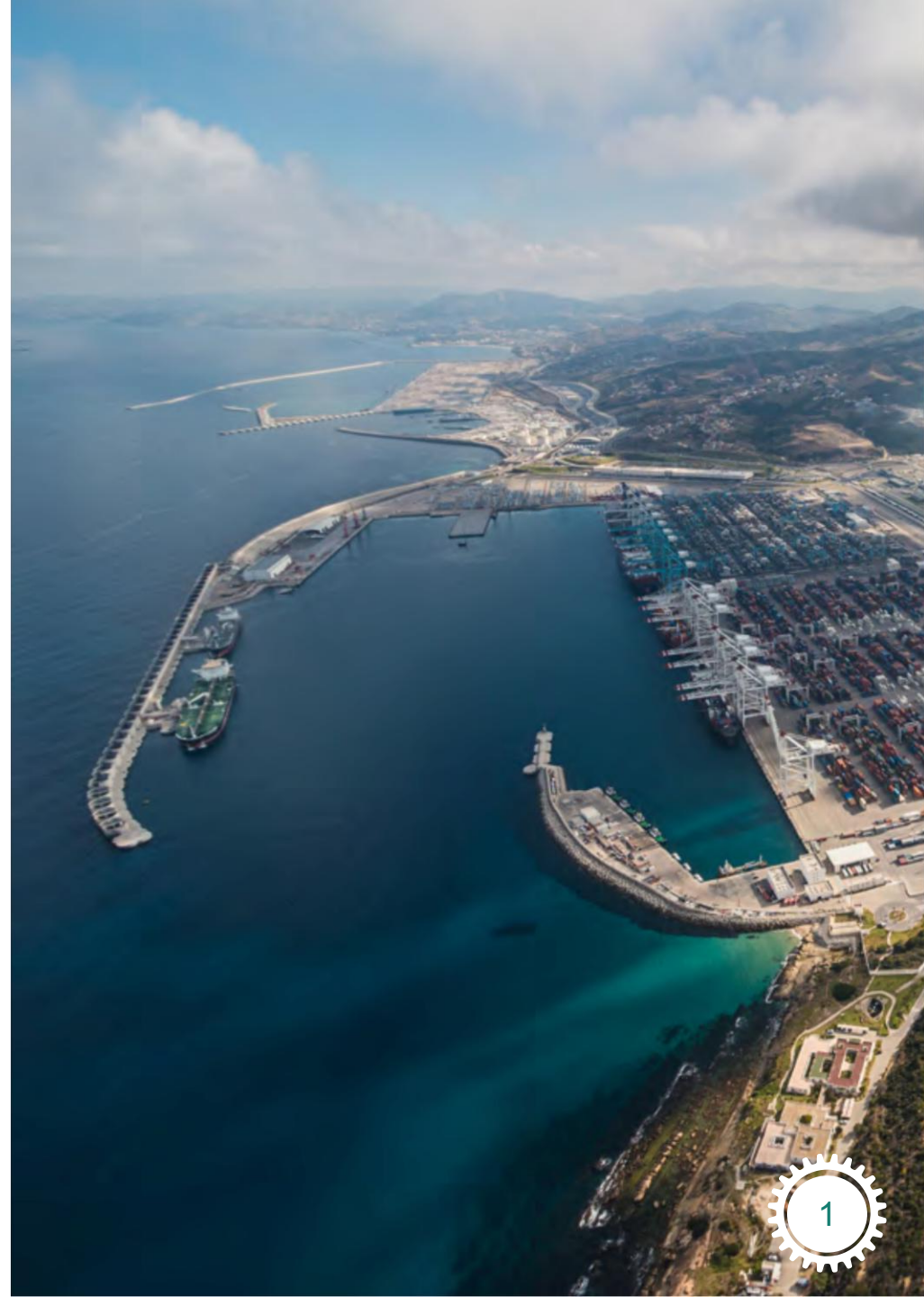


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Industrial and free zones are viewed as the most vital means of economic and social development intended for attracting foreign and domestic investments, boosting industrial exports and encouraging technology transfer.

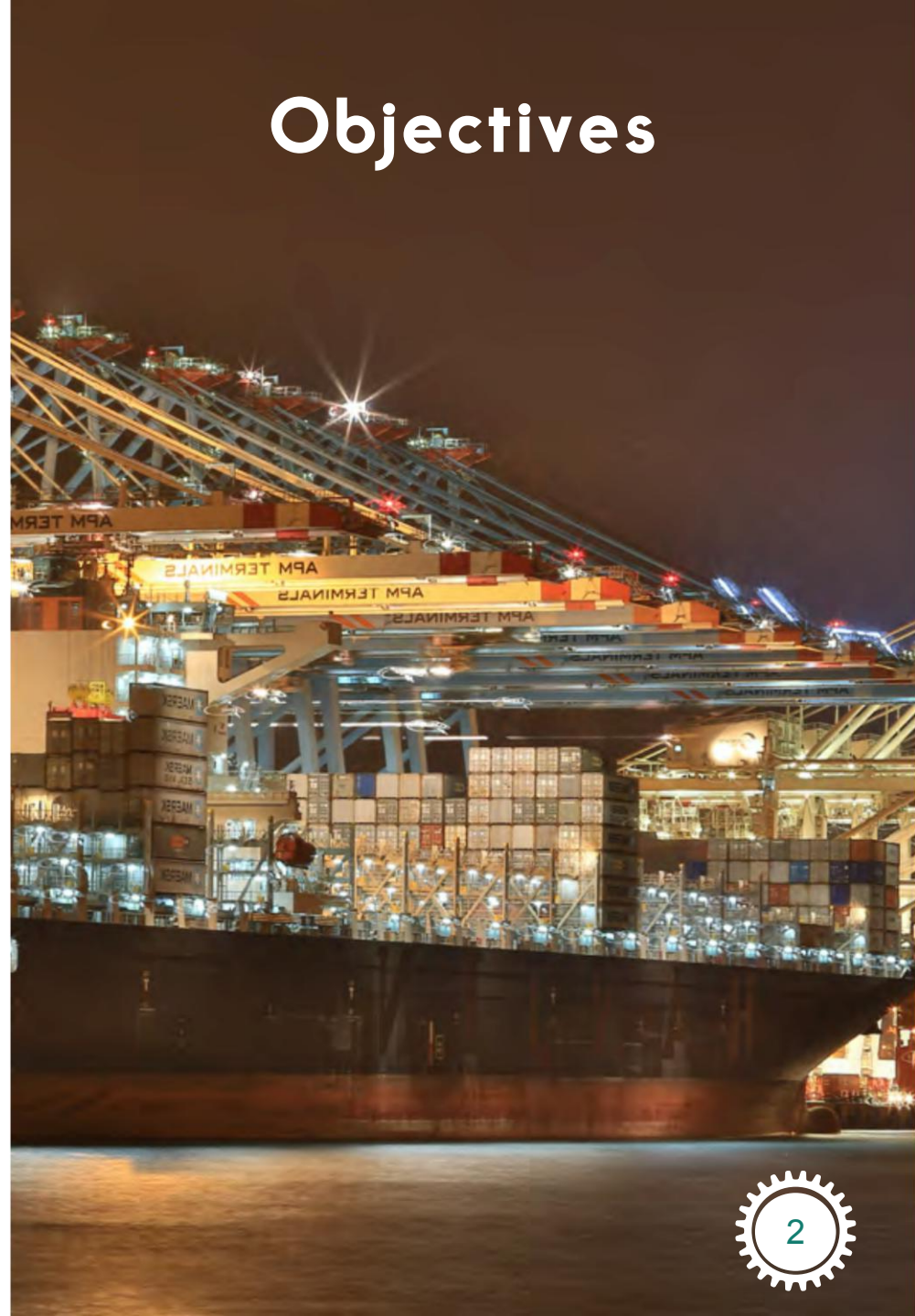
The industrial zones and free zones perform a crucial role in expanding exports and facilitating industrial investments as one of the vital pillars of national economy, particularly in developing countries, given their significance in the creation of additional funding sources for the development and attraction of domestic and foreign investments, transfer of modern technology, recruitment of local workforce to eliminate unemployment, and achievement of economic, urban and social development. This is well illustrated in the free zones' active role in the economic resurgence in the East Asian countries, such as Singapore, Malaysia and South Korea, as well as China, "the new economic giant", which fascinated the world by its huge economic growth.

Many Arab countries have devoted further attention to the establishment of more specialized industrial and free zones and enacted the relevant laws and legislations by offering more advantages, incentives and exemptions, which make of these a hub to attract domestic and foreign investments.



Objectives

- Define the systems and advantages of industrial and free zones.
- Accentuate the importance of industrial and free zones in facilitating the process of investments and propping up the industrial investment climate.
- Draw attention to the reality and prospects of the industrial and free zones in the Arab countries.
- Learn about the leading Arab and international experiences of industrial and free zones.
- Expose businessmen and investors to the available investment opportunities at Tanger Port.
- Share knowledge and experience among participants to develop cooperation and integration opportunities and improve performance and competitiveness.
- Boost the role of Arab joint cooperation in the development of industrial and free zones.
- Define more clearly the environmental and social responsibility of industrial and free zones.
- Identify the most important challenges and obstructions facing investment in industrial and free zones and means to surmount such.
- Draw up economic and investment strategies and legislations related to investment in industrial and free zones.
- The role of industrial and free zones in achieving sustainable development goals.



Themes

➤ Reality and perspectives of industrial and free zones

(This theme comprises the importance, components, challenges and role of free and industrial zones in encouraging investment and exports).

➤ Advantages and facilities of trade and investment in industrial and free zones

(This theme comprises investment opportunities in these zones, incentives and benefits offered in this field).

➤ The importance of zones in achieving sustainable development goals

(This theme includes the role of these zones in achieving sustainable development and experiences of smart and sustainable zones).

➤ The role of ports and logistics in revitalizing business in industrial and free zones

(This theme comprises the importance of ports and the role of supporting bodies in providing services).

➤ Modern strategies for the planning and management of industrial and free zones

(This theme comprises modern programmes, strategies and policies for planning and management of industrial and free zones, as well as countries' experiences in the establishment, management and successes of such).



Date and venue



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Parties invited to take part in this event

- Ministries of Industry, Trade, Economy, Investment and Finance.
- Arab and Foreign Trade Unions and Chambers.
- Regional Organizations concerned with trade, industry, agriculture and investment.
- Arab qualitative unions.
- Arab Finance Institutions and Bodies of investment development and promotion
- General Bodies of Industrial and Free zones and ports.
- Arab and foreign industrial Businessmen and investors.

Organizers

- Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO)
- Ministry of Industry, Trade, Green and Digital Economy (Kingdom of Morocco)
- Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Services of the Tangier-Tetouan-Al Hoceima Region (Kingdom of Morocco).
- Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (Islamic Cooperation Organization)
- Moroccan Agency for Investment Development (Kingdom of Morocco).
- Tanger Med Special Agency (TMSA)



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Participation and working papers' criteria

Arab and foreign experts in charge of industrial and free zones, Bodies, businessmen and investors are cordially invited to take part in the forum sessions or present a working paper or hold B2B meetings with Moroccan businessmen and investors.

Requirements of the working papers

- ✓ Fill in the registration form.
- ✓ Participants shall agree on the publication of the approved working papers on organizers' websites and publications.
- ✓ Choose one of the forum's themes.
- ✓ Working papers should preferably be in Arabic.
- ✓ Adhere to the scientific assets in terms of method, methodology, and documentation used in scientific researches.
- ✓ Working papers shall not be published and presented at previous events. Kindly submit the Electronic version **(A4)** Font size **(14)** Font **(Simplified Arabic)** to the following E-mail: id@aidmo.org
- ✓ Meet the following deadlines:
 - Abstracts to be sent before September 20, 2019.
 - The Scientific Committee will review the abstracts and reply before 18 October 2019.
 - Final papers to be sent by November 4, 2019.

Requirements for participation in B2B meetings among Arab and foreign businessmen, investors and institutions concerned with industrial and free zones:

- ✓ Fill in the registration form for businessmen, companies and institutions concerned with industrial and free zones published on the forum's website.



Important information

- Participation in the forum is free of charge.
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- Travel and subsistence will be borne by participants.
- Organizers will welcome and provide a means of transportation for all participants from Ibn Battouta International Airport <-> to the Hotel in Tangier.
- Organizers will welcome and provide a means of transportation for all participants from Mohamed V International Airport <-> and transport them by train to the hotel in Tangier.
- Organizers will provide a means of transportation for all participants from the Hotel in Tangier <-> to the venue of the Forum, and during field visits.
- Organizers will assist the participants in securing hotel rooms at preferential prices within the list of hotels attached to the forum's brochure.
- Provide meals and tea breaks during the days of the forum
- A official certificate of participation is conferred to the participants in the forum.
- The first day of the forum includes the opening session, along with presentations on industrial and free zones in Morocco and the available investment opportunities in addition to theoretical lectures.
- The second day includes the presentation of countries and institutions' experiences and field visit to Tanger Med.
- The third day includes a field visit to the free zone in tangier.



Accompanying activities

- B2B meetings between Arab and foreign businessmen, investors, companies and institutions concerned with industrial and free zones and their Moroccan counterparts.
- Workshop on the use of renewable energies in industrial field and the advantages of joining the energy management system ISO 50001
- Field visit to Tanger Med facilities under the supervision of specialists and field visit to Tanger Free Zone.

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For registration

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Electronic registration



B2B meetings