





Facilitating investment in the Iraqi energy sector



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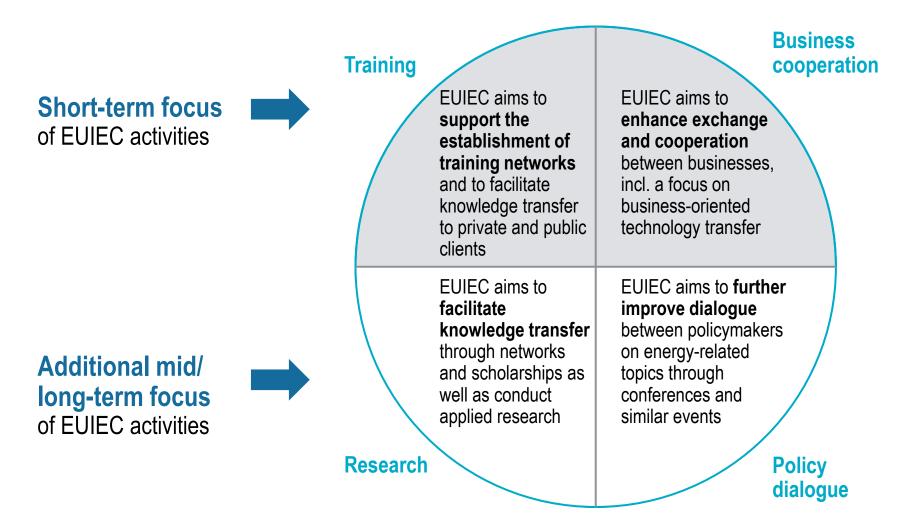








EUIEC harnesses the potential of the Iraqi energy sector and addresses challenges through activities in four components









Roland Berger and Luthardt form the project consortium for the EU-Iraq Energy Centre (EUIEC)

Overview consortium



- > **Roland Berger** is a Europe-based strategy consultancy with vast experience in energy, infrastructure and business development
- > Roland Berger leads the consortium and mainly covers EUIEC setup. business strategy and business plan development, policy debate and business cooperation

LUTHARDI

- > Luthardt Group is an independent energy service provider implementing projects worldwide
- > It advises in energy operations along the entire value chain and has in-depth knowledge of Iraq's energy sector
- > Luthardt concentrates its work on the EUIEC set-up, training, policy debate and business cooperation

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EUIEC has established links and cooperated with several institutions active in the development of the Iraqi energy sector

Cooperation partners

Public sector (selection)





GOI Petroleum Research and Development Center



South Gas Company

GOI Ministry of

Environment

Private sector (selection)















Associations and international organizations (selection)



















Since October 2015, the EUIEC has conducted a wide range of activities – Feedback and participation has been very positive

Overview of recent activities (selection)



Group of young Iragi energy-sector employees completed pilot EUIEC training course on uncertainty and risk in the energy sector in Erbil



EUIEC addressed German-Iragi Joint Economic Commission in Berlin



EUIEC conducted workshop with National Oil Companies and Ministry of Electricity to stimulate technology transfer towards Iraqi energy sector



EUIEC conducted workshop to support Petroleum Research and Development Center in obtaining international accreditation



EUIEC trained Iraqi officials in negotiation skills



EUIEC trained Iraqi companies on doing business with EU partners



EUIEC facilitated training course on UNIDO's energy efficiency programme



EUIEC reached out to energy stakeholders and policy-makers at Baghdad International Fair



EUIEC conducted workshop on rehabilitation solutions for power plants



EUIEC conducted workshop on state-ofthe-art system for the operations & maintenance of technical facilities in the energy and power sector

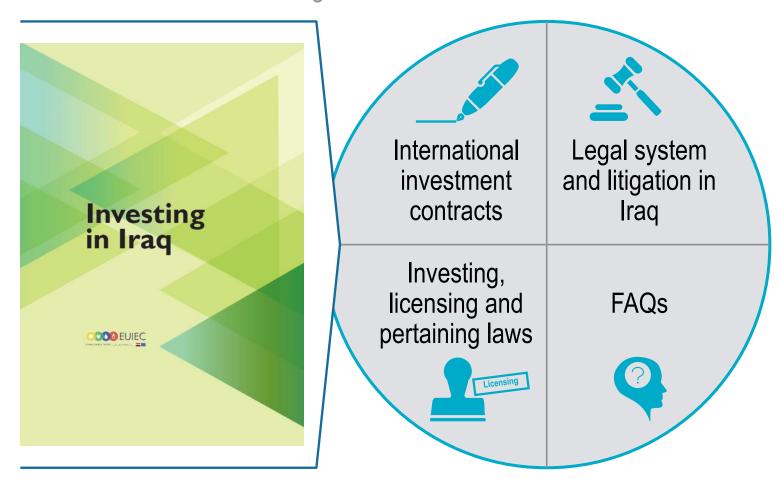






In its Business Cooperation Component, the EUIEC is currently drafting a guidebook for investing in Iraq

Overview focus areas of the guidebook





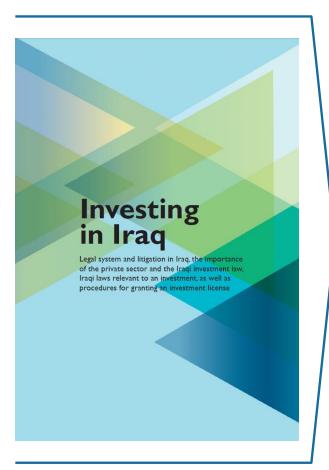




Knowledge and expertise of Iraqi laws and the Iraqi court system are critical to accommodate international investors' needs

Legal system and litigation in Iraq







- > Iraq's legal system
- > Disputes concerning investment contracts and the investment license

The importance of the private sector and the Iraqi investment law

- > Equal treatment of foreign and Iraqi investors
- > Rights and privileges for investors
- > Decentralisation and the Provincial Investment Commissions

Iraqi laws and international agreements related to investment

- > Relevant Iragi laws
- > International agreements related to investment
- > Investment provisions of the EU-Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (2012)

Procedure for granting an investment license

- > Investment license benefits
- > Jurisdiction
- > Steps for granting an investment license







Customised and international-standard investment contracts are at the root of a successful relationship between the parties

International investment contracts







Introduction

- > Definitions
- > Goals of investment contracts



Suggestions for drafting an investment contract

- > Defining features of an investment contract
- > Practical advice on drafting a strong and unequivocal investment contract



Suggestions for negotiating an investment contract

- > Awareness of specific Iraqi context
- > Identification of key interests of each party
- > Avoidance of zero-sum thinking



International construction contracts

- > Use of International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) terminology
- > Priority/hierarchy of documents



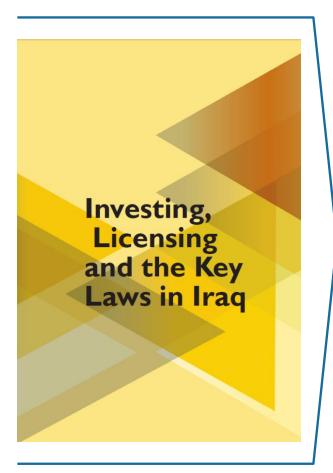




A bundled overview of key procedures helps guide investors and accelerate investment processes

Investing, licensing and related laws





Investors and company registration in Iraq

- > National Investment Law No. 13 of 2006
- > 3 options for registration: rep. office, branch office, domestic company

Investment promotion and facilitation

- > Follow-up on strategic projects by the National Investment Commission (NIC)
- > Services provided by the Provincial Investment Commissions (PIC)

Obtaining and granting an investment license

- > Required documents
- > Procedure after submission of complete application

IV. Owning and leasing land

- > Overview laws and regulations for owning land
- > Overview laws and regulations for leasing land

Incentives and guarantees for investors

- > Guarantees and privileges
- > Tax and customs incentives

VI. Investor obligations

- > Notification and reporting requirements
- > Employment and labour requirements
- > Environmental, safety and public order requirements







Based on recurring stakeholder questions, the FAQs address a wide range of practical topics

FAQs





Overall investment climate

- > Shaping of Irag's national economic/investment policy
- > Roles of different Gol bodies relating to foreign investment
- > Special economic zones
- > Where to find statistics



Project logistics

- > National and Provincial Investment Commissions support
- > Where to stay
- > How to find service providers



Establishing and running a company

- > Relevant registration procedures
- > Business registration and investment license
- > Dispute resolution



Operational conditions, infrastructure and business support

- > Import/export regulations
- > Labour and environmental regulations
- > Utilities







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