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"Melior est finis orationis quam principium".

WHY MALTA?

Geopolitics

The Republic of Malta is an insular country, an former English colony until 1964, and a place of historical confluence of cultures. English is an official language along with Maltese. Being member of the European Union from 2004 (part of the Eurozone from 2008), the country was stop being considered a "tax heaven" by most of the countries including its EU partners. The Maltese banking system, which is in SEPA, is equipped with a Deposit Guarantee Fund of up to € 100,000 and under strict EU regulations on the prevention of money laundering, exchange of tax information and transparency. In addition, Malta adhered to the Multilateral Agreement to implement the BEPS Plan (OECD), through its signature in 2017. The scarce internal production of the archipelago obliges them to import many products that are necessary to them, and the sector Services - including tourism - is crucial for its economy. The country has 316 square kilometers and there are more than 400,000 inhabitants with an annual GDP per capita which has grown in recent years but still below the European average that allows reduced labor costs for the implantation of companies. Malta is a politically stable parliamentary Republic with a President of the Republic (head of State) and a Prime Minister (chief executive); elected by universal suffrage every five years. The two major political forces alternate the power.

Legal certainty

The combination of the scrupulous application of the European Directives with the maximum respect for the money laundering rules, in conjunction with the collaboration in the exchange of banking information, confirm Malta a well-considered country by the OECD, with an intelligent attitude opened to investment, trade and business. Its financial system continues to grow, in an environment of legal security, economic and political stability. This country framework has been driven by the two main existing political parties, which, regardless of their power, have been putting careful efforts in attracting external investment and establishing a safe, adaptable and highly attractive investment environment. In addition, its legal system, has a Roman base (familiar to the European citizen) and at the same time its administrative and tax legislation has a British normative base that gives it a very interesting versatility (p.e. "trusts" can be set up). EU rules and principles are imperative in Malta and its companies, which gives maximum security to the partner. Being part of the Schengen area and the Commonwealth, it allows to enjoy the so welcomed free movement of goods, capitals and people.



Taxation. Creation of companies

The "full imputation system" of tax return -paid by the Maltese tax authority as a tax credit- has made Malta a very attractive jurisdiction for foreign investment and for trading companies.

Income from economic activity is taxed at a general rate of 35% and the foreign shareholder (owner) receiving dividends has the right to claim from the Maltese authorities a 6/7th of the tax paid by the participated company (whether the partner is a natural person residing abroad, even if it is another Maltese holding company). The existence of a holding company in Malta that captures trading dividends (and returns for tax credit) is useful to avoid the attribution of income to the resident abroad and, at the same time, allows the profits of the holding company to be reinvested again into the Trading Company (if desired).

International trading can be made without VAT according to EU rules (not selling into Malta).



A man in a dark suit is walking away from the camera down a long, brightly lit hallway. The hallway features high ceilings with gold-colored decorative moldings and a series of spherical pendant lights. The walls are made of light-colored stone or marble. On the right side, there are large windows with gold-colored frames and decorative grilles. The floor is made of large, light-colored tiles. The overall atmosphere is formal and professional.

LEGAL DEFENSE

Foreign
trade
operations

ABOUT THE PARTNER

BUFET AGUILERA S.L.

Bufet Aguilera is an Spanish law firm, close partner of Gozotrade Ltd., located in Sant Feliu de Codines (35 km from Barcelona city) specialized in international trade, immigration law and international taxation.

Helping Spanish SMEs to export worldwide is the priority of the firm, offering comprehensive services and advisory to export and to set up companies abroad. Cooperation agreements with partners, contract review for law compliance and due diligence are some of the services offered to their international clients.

The founder of Bufet Aguilera, the lawyer (advocat) Josué Aguilera Ibáñez, is graduated in Law from the Pompeu Fabra University (Spain, 2009), specialized as Spanish immigration lawyer and trained as International Trade Technician (recognized by ACC10, Government of Catalonia) worked in the past for the Barcelona Chamber of Commerce.

Member of the Barcelona bar's association (ICAB) number 34.183, he is nowadays setting up and directing companies in the Maltese Republic. He also studied a Postgraduate in Diplomatic and Consular Law, and later on he continued his education in the University of Santiago de Compostela studying International and EU Taxation.

Three big principles has governed from the beginning the activity of the lawyer's office: integrity, excellence and loyalty to the legitimate rights of his clients. The law firm has always tried to bring a close relationship with its clients and partners, with the highest transparency. The defense of the truth and the continued training of its professionals is a pillar of their strategy for the excellence.

Bufet Aguilera focus in this three activity areas of work:



Legal. Defense of companies and individuals in the Spanish Court of Justice and settlement of international disputes



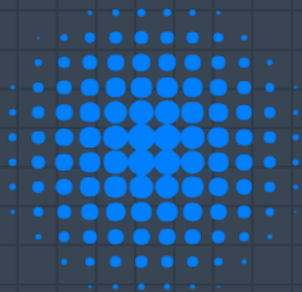
International Tax. Advisory, international tax planning and business outsourcing from EU



Foreign trade operations. Brokering, worldwide trading and international contracts

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