



ALBANIAN'S POTENTIAL

Albania's location at the center of a natural crossroad of European transport corridors, places the country in a **unique geographical position**.

It offers considerable potentials for the development of international trade with the EU members and beyond, and can also serve as communication linkage between two main commercial corridors, facilitating this way the free movement of goods and services amongst the Adriatic Sea and the Black Sea.

The foreign trade is concentrated to some of the main EU economies; It mainly imports from Italy, Germany and Greece and exports notably to Italy by 57% (INSTAT, March 2016-2017). The operating foreign industries are concentrated in **Textile and footwear (46%), minerals and fuels (18%) and construction materials and metals (16%).**

According the World Bank Report for 2015, Albania has experienced the highest economic growth in the region with a significantly **improved business climate.**

IMPORTANCE OF TEDAS FOR THE ECONOMY

There have been three approved economic zones in Albania, which have the status of "Technical and Economic Development Areas (TEDAs)

TEDA KOPLIK

TEDA SPITALLA

TEDA VLORA

· Albania's ease of doing business has improved significantly and was ranked

58th among 190

economies.

96.29/100.

• The overall process of paying taxes has become highly time-efficient, and has ascended by 71 positions in the ranking of Trading across boarders, scoring

• Concerning **trading** across the borders of Albania, the latter was ranked

• The national government has

and has acted by developing

One Stop Shop for

administrative costs and

competiveness and more.

efficiency, fiscal incentives,

been stressing the importance on

improving the business environment

24th with a score of 96.29.

IN KASHAR

A GREAT LOCATION

- Kashar is an administrative unit of Tirana with 43353 inhabitants and 1591 operating businesses, and is located between the capital and Durres (second largest city in the country).
- The economic zone is located only 12 km from the national airport "Nene Teresa"
- TEDA Kashar gains access to the Durres Port (only 32 km away); the largest and most important port of Albania

GREENFIELD & CUSTOM-BUILT INF-RASTRUCTURE

not only the chosen surface of the TEDA is a Greenfield (50 acre), but the unconstructed

area overcomes 150 ha.

POTENTIAL LABOR FORCE

TEDA KASHAR TARGETED PRIORITY SECTORS

Based on the main objectives of this project and the actual situation of the Albanian production market (Table 1 & Table 2) there are three targeted priority sectors chosen to operate in TEDA Kashar:

- **AUTOMOTIVE**
- ICT
- **ELECTRONICS**

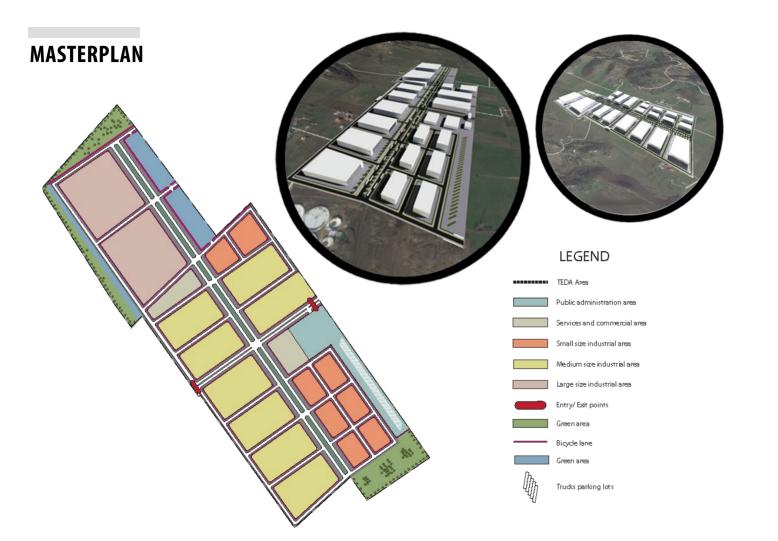


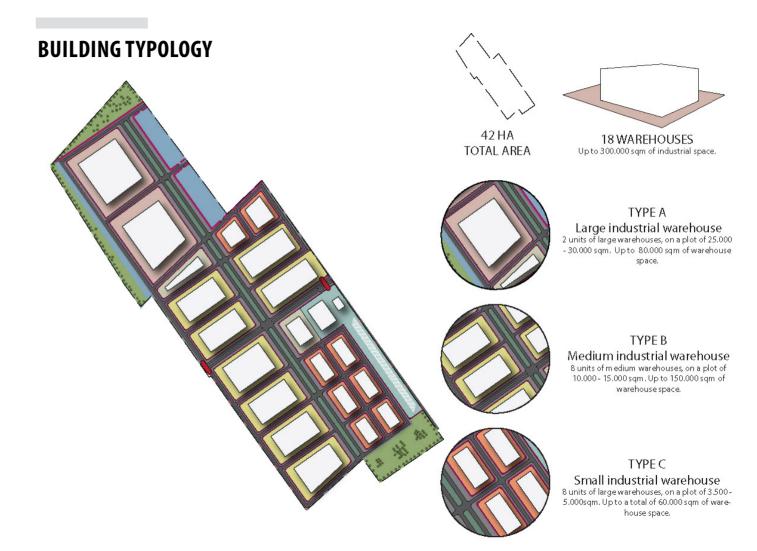
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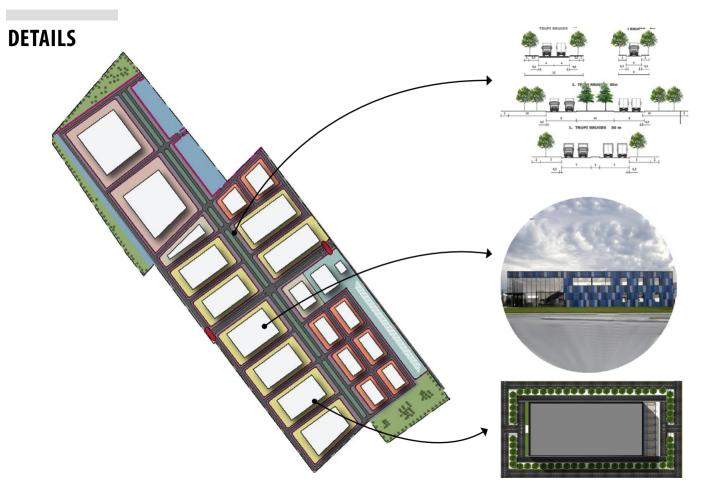
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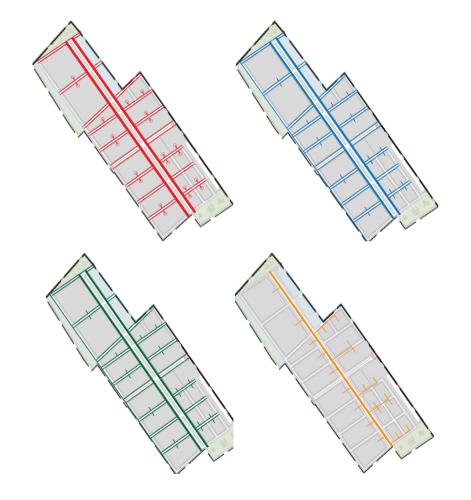


INFRASTRUCTURE

A specific factor determining the Investment Destination is **infrastructure.**

The developer of the zone, in this case the Muncipality of Tirana, is responsible to establish the necessary infrastructure within the borders of the zone and additionally, while being a highly public beneficiary project, the national governance has to supply it up to the border of the zone.

While being one of the top priorities, TEDA Kashar has full support and attention from the Municipality.









MUNICIPALITY AS A DEVELOPER

Whereas the other TEDAs in Albania were planned to be developed by private entities, the Municipality of Tirana has decided to be part of the management. Considering all the advantages and authority the institution has, it can be an efficient and reliable supporting unit for the investors, creating balance and credibility in a developing country. Hence, at this point of the project, the Municipality has the open alternative of choosing between developing the zone alone, or working with a Co-Developer.

Managing Authority – TEDA Kashar

TEDA Kashar is to be managed by a special administrative authority, a One Stop Shop Model working under the supervision of the *Ministry of Economy, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship, with and Executive Board reporting directly to the PM Office.*

Below are listed the responsibilities of both involved institutions: Common Responsibilities

1/ DEFINE ENTRY/EXIT POINTS 2/ SUPERVISE THE GOODS THAT ENTER AND EXIT THE ZONE

Additional Services that can be offered by the Managing Authority One Stop Shop

Aim:

- Facilitate access by investors to all required permits and licenses and other informational requirements in a timely manner;
- Eliminate steps in the approvals/ administrative process and allow parallel rather than sequential approvals; and
- Provide after-care to existing investors.

INCENTIVES ON TEDAS

Law on TEDA Incentives:

- From the moment goods enter Albania, they are exempted from custom duties and VAT
- Albanian goods that enter TEDA are exempted from VAT taxation
- Goods can be transported from one TEDA to another without paying custom duties or VAT
- Capital expenses are 120 percent deductible during a period of 2 years if developers and users invest in TEDA within three years of its operation
- Developers and users are also exempted from 50 percent of the profit tax rate (currently at a rate of 15 percent) for a period of 5 years
- A developer's project is exempted from infrastructure taxes
- Buildings in TEDA are exempted from real estate taxes for a period of 5 years
- Buildings transferred to the TEDA are not subject to the transfer tax on real estate
- Wages and social costs are 150 percent deductible for the first year, and new expenses for wages and social costs compared to the previous year are 150 percent deductible for the sub sequent years
- Training costs are doubly deductible for a period of 10 years Research and Development costs are doubly deductible for a period of 10 years

