

FREE ECONOMIC ZONE IN BALTI MUNICIPALITY

136.5 hectares



FEZ
MOLDOVA
BĂLȚI

FREE
ECONOMIC
ZONE

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BALTI MUNICIPALITY

Balti Municipality is the second largest City by economic importance and population in the Republic of Moldova. Balti Municipality has a population of 150.7 thousand inhabitants. The total population in the radius of 45-50 km is circa 650 thousand inhabitants. The municipality is an important economic industrial center. Balti is the center for manufacturing of electric and electronic equipment and components, agricultural machines, construction materials, machine building, apparel and furniture industries.

EDUCATION

- Balti State University
- Balti branch of the "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi (Romania)
- Dniester Institute of Economics and Law
- Balti Polytechnic College
- Balti Light Industry College
- Balti Railway Technical College
- Medical College of Balti
- Balti College of Music and Pedegogy
- 5 vocational schools

LANGUAGES

widely spoken and understood



Romanian



Russian



Ukrainian



English

FREE ECONOMIC ZONE "BALTI"

The Free Economic Zone (FEZ) represents excellent platform for export-oriented manufacturing companies, which benefit of preferential customs and tax regime.

FEZ "Balti" was established in 2010 for a period of 25 years. It administrates 11 subzones with a total area of circa 245 hectares, namely in Balti Municipality (3 subzones – 148.4 ha); Staseni City (4 subzones – 40.2 ha); Causeni City (8.5 ha); Orhei City (8.0 ha); Cahul City (2 subzones – 40.0 ha)

GREENFIELD, SUBZONE 3

FEZ "Balti" – Subzone 3 is located in the northeastern part of Balti City. The FEZ is delimited to the north along the national road R13 (Balti – Soldanesti – Ribnita) and to the west along the national road R14 (Balti – Sarateni – M2). The subzone is situated in the proximity of 2.2 km from the city center. The land plot size is 136.5 hectares.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Balti
Overall Population of District	150,700 inhabitants
Total Area of the City	78 km ²
Organizational Form	FEZ administration
Land Ownership	Public
Land Destination	Construction purposes
Total Land Area	136.5 hectares
Free Buildable Area	130 hectares



INFRASTRUCTURE

TRANSPORT



- Immediate access to national roads: R13 Balti – Soldanesti – Ribnita; R14 Balti – Sarateni – M2
- 6 km to National magistral road M14 Brest (BLR) – Chisinau (MDA) – Odessa (UKR)
- 6 km to European route E583 – B class road connecting the cities Roman (ROU) and Zhytomyr (UKR)
- Distances:
- 135 km to Chisinau
- 70 km to the nearest border checkpoint with Romania
- 108 km to the nearest border checkpoint with Ukraine



- Junction point of three railway routes: Balti – Ribnita, Balti – Ungheni, and Balti – Ocnita. Balti Municipality has 2 railway stations; the most important is northern station Balti-Slobozia



- Air access through two airports: Balti International Airport and Marculesti International Airport (35 km). Currently both airports are used at their minimal capacity, providing occasionally only cargo flights. Proximity to Chisinau International Airport – 150km



- Glurgiulesti International Free Port is located at circa 330 km distance from Balti municipality. It is the only Danube River and Black Sea port in Moldova with direct access to international waterways.

UTILITIES



Water supply: pipeline – Ø 800 mm



Electric power: transmission line – 110/10 kV ; substation – 10 MW



Natural gas: pipeline – 0.155 – 0.25 MPa, with Ø 426 mm



Sewerage: 60 000 m³/24 hours



Internet speed connection – 300Mbps – 1Gbps



Available: Topography and Geology surveys; Master plan.

UTILITY COSTS

Water	1.0 EUR/m ³
Electric power	0.08 EUR/kWh
Natural gas	0.274 EUR/m ³
Sewerage	0.681 EUR/m ³

INVESTMENT PROPOSALS

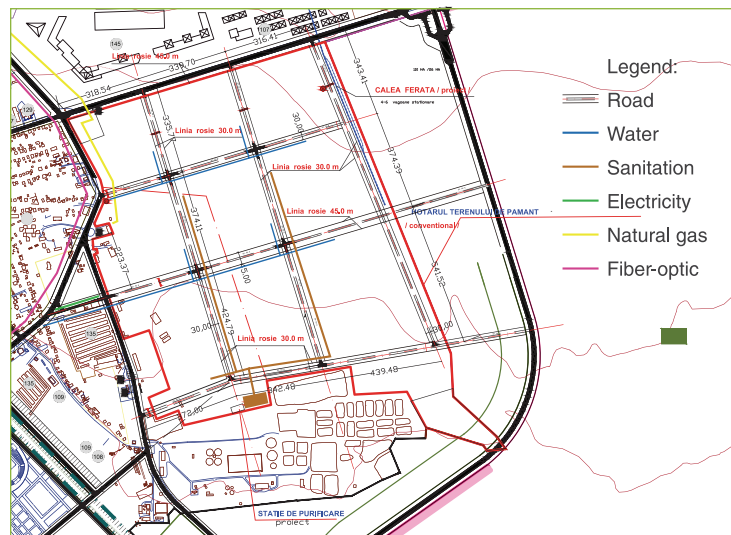
The FEZ is designed as an economic area by law of the Republic of Moldova to facilitate the economic development by attracting investment capital. For this purpose, special favorable terms similar to tax and customs facilities have been created. Due to these incentives but also due to favorable geographic location of Moldova which provides exceptional investment platform with opportunities to export to EU and CIS countries, many foreign manufacturing companies are interested to extend their production capacities in Moldova. It increases the demand for ready-to-use production halls for quick production start but also demand for development of build-to-suit (BTS) projects.

Subzone 3 of FEZ “Balti” is located on 136 hectares of industrial land for manufacturing and logistic activities. In order to provide detailed information on investment possibilities within FEZ “Balti”, numerous investment projects have been developed, including:

- Construction of Business Center (including an exhibition center);
- Construction of the Agriculture and Food Centre (Packing house equipped with cold storage);
- Construction of the Multimodal Transportation Hub and International Logistic Center;
- Construction of photovoltaic panel manufacturing plant.

INCENTIVES OFFERED IN FREE ECONOMIC ZONES

- FEZs are connected to all important transport routes and have access to all regions through the national and international roads;
- All utilities available on site;
- Corporate income tax (CIT) rate: 6%;
- Exemption from CIT for a period of 3 years, when investing 1 million USD in fix assets of the company and/ or in FEZ infrastructure development (for 5 years, when investing 5 million USD);
- VAT for equipment and machinery: 0%;
- Customs procedures tax: 0.1% from customs value of goods;
- EUR/USD payment among FEZs residents;
- 10 years of state guarantee for protection against adverse changes in legislation;
- State investment protection;



FEZ RESIDENT FEES*

Tender fees	400 EUR
Registration fee	600 EUR
Fee for business activity permit	1000 EUR

* fees to be paid at the beginning of activity

LAND LEASE & PURCHASE

Land plot with all utilities can be leased with extension option. FEZ “Balti” offers a long-term land lease contracts limited to the lifetime of FEZ.

- Land lease fee

	per 1 m ² /year
FEZ land plot	0.5 – 1.5 EUR
Land plot (general regime)	0.75 – 2.0 EUR

- Adjacent land purchasing

Land plot with all utilities can be leased with extension option. FEZ “Balti” offers a long-term land lease contracts limited to the lifetime of FEZ.

Land purchase price	3.5 EUR/m ²
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