

# MOLDOVA YOUR NEXT DESTINATION FOR INVESTMENTS

## THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA – YOUR BRIDGE TO WEST AND EAST



#### **FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH:**

- European Union - Moldova Association Agreement /(DCFTA) - 2014

- Community of Independent States (CIS) (2012)

- Turkey (2017)
- CEFTA countries (2007)
- GUAM countries (2002)

- Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) 2001
- Agreements on mutual promotion and protection of investments (34 countries)

Launched negotiations with China



#### MOLDOVA - INTERNATIONAL RAITINGS



## GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS INDEX 2017-2018

89 out of 137 (11 positions up) remarked as

country with the strongest evolution in the Eurasian region

#### **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC 2017**

**10 Places That Deserve More Travelers** 

# BLOOMBERG: Top 10 Fastest Growing

Destinations in Europe
+ 19,6 % (WTO, 24.09, 2018)

\*2013- least visited country in Europe



## MOODY'S INTERNATIONAL AGENCY - 2018

"Stable Economy"

rating from "Negative B3"

### EASE OF DOING BUSINESS 2019 WORLD BANK GROUP

47 out of 190

(94 in 2010)

- Starting a business –14
   (1 day and 4 procedures only)
- Protecting minority investors 33
- Trading across borders 35

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#### **MOLDOVAN TRADE STRUCTURE – EXPORTS** 2018



#### **Total volume of Moldovan exports** 2706,9 mln. USD +11,8% (



European Union

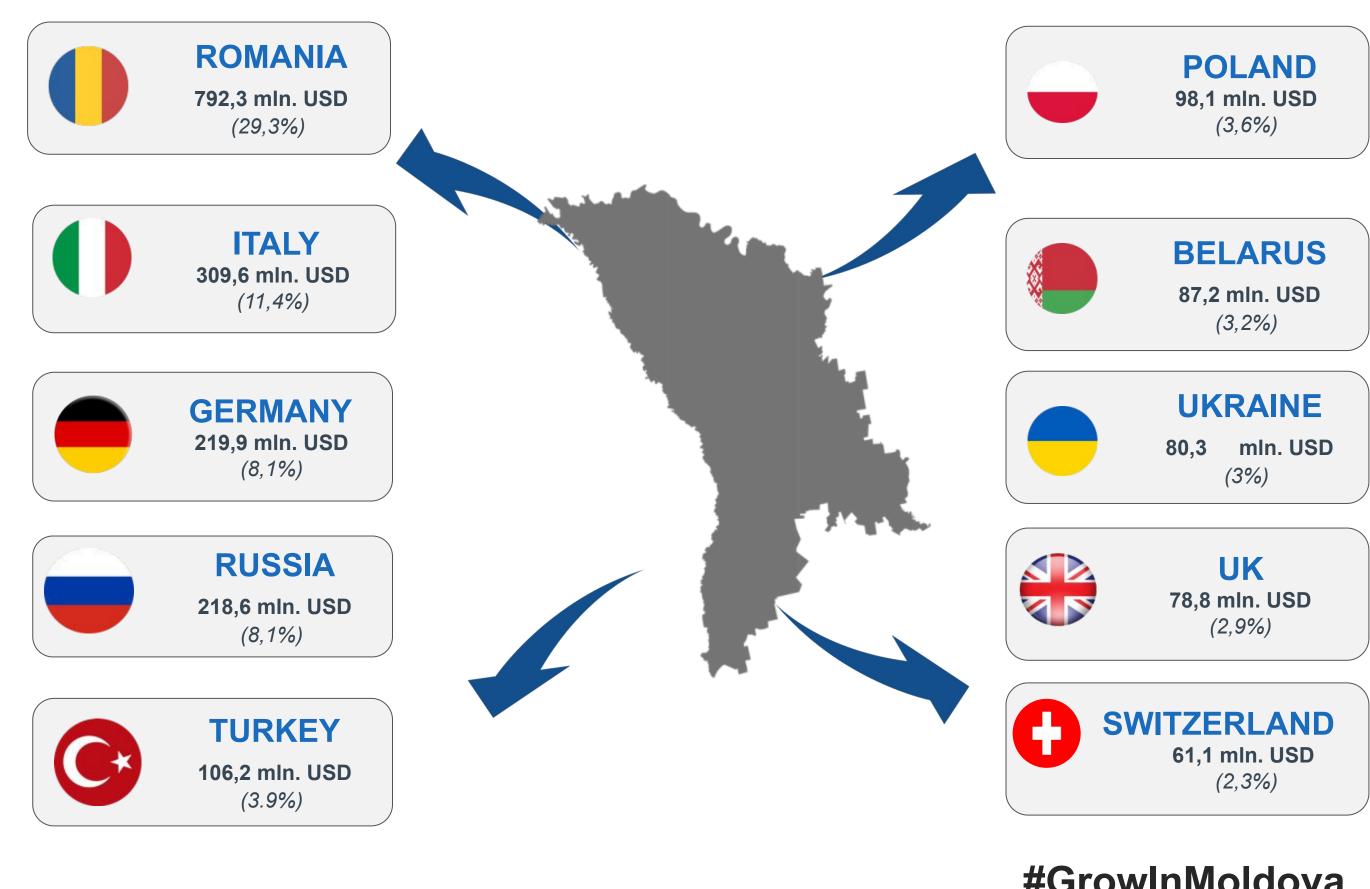
1862,1 mln. **USD** (68,8%)

+16



#### Commonwealth of Independent **States**

416 mln. USD (15,4%) -10 %



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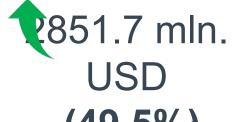
#### **MOLDOVAN TRADE STRUCTURE – IMPORTS 2018**



#### **Total volume of Moldovan imports** 5764.3 mln. USD



European Union

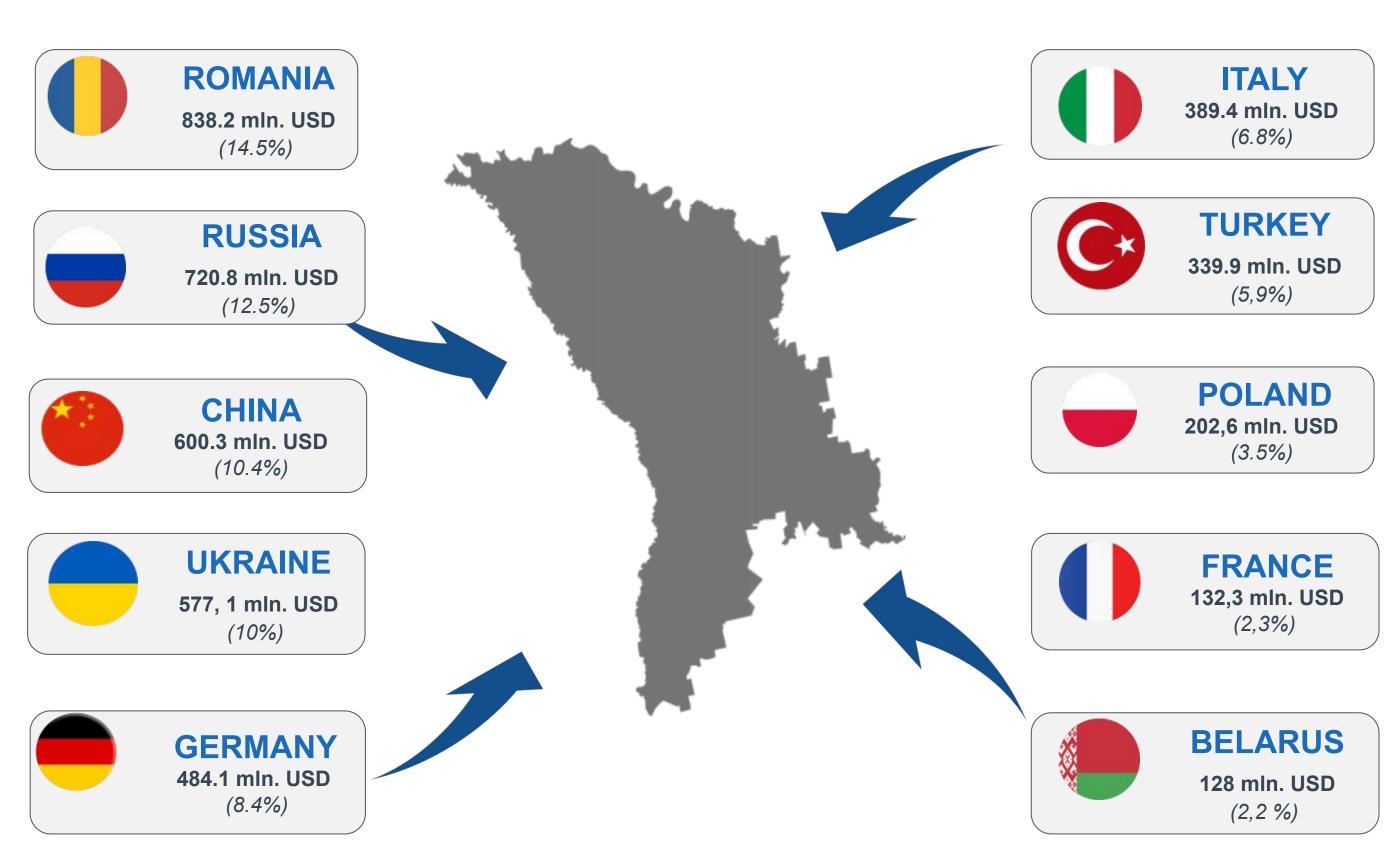


(49,5% ther countries – 25,4%



Commonwealth of Independent **States** 

1449.3 mln. USD (25, 1%)



**Source:** National Bureau of Statistics

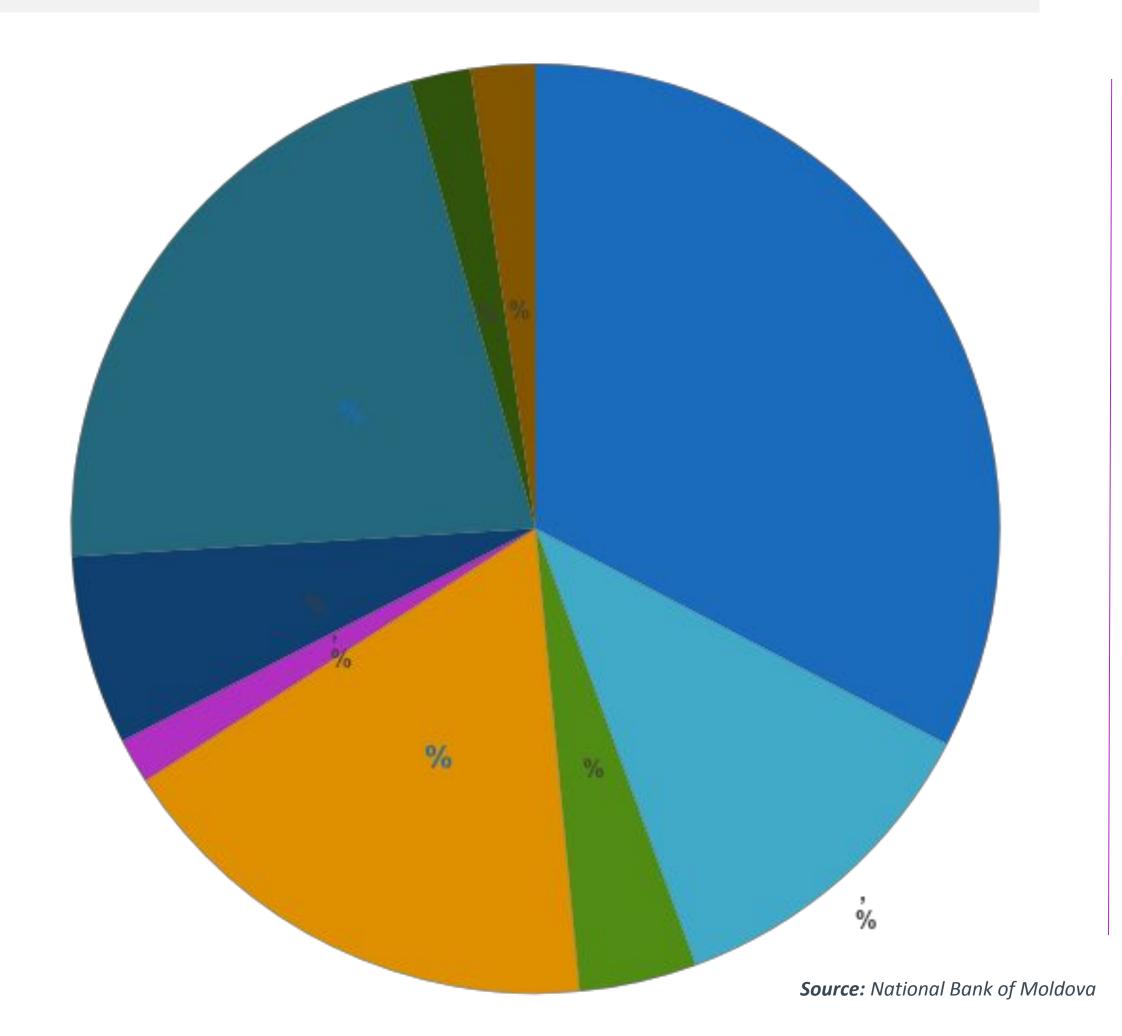
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#### FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENTS – OVERVIEW 2018



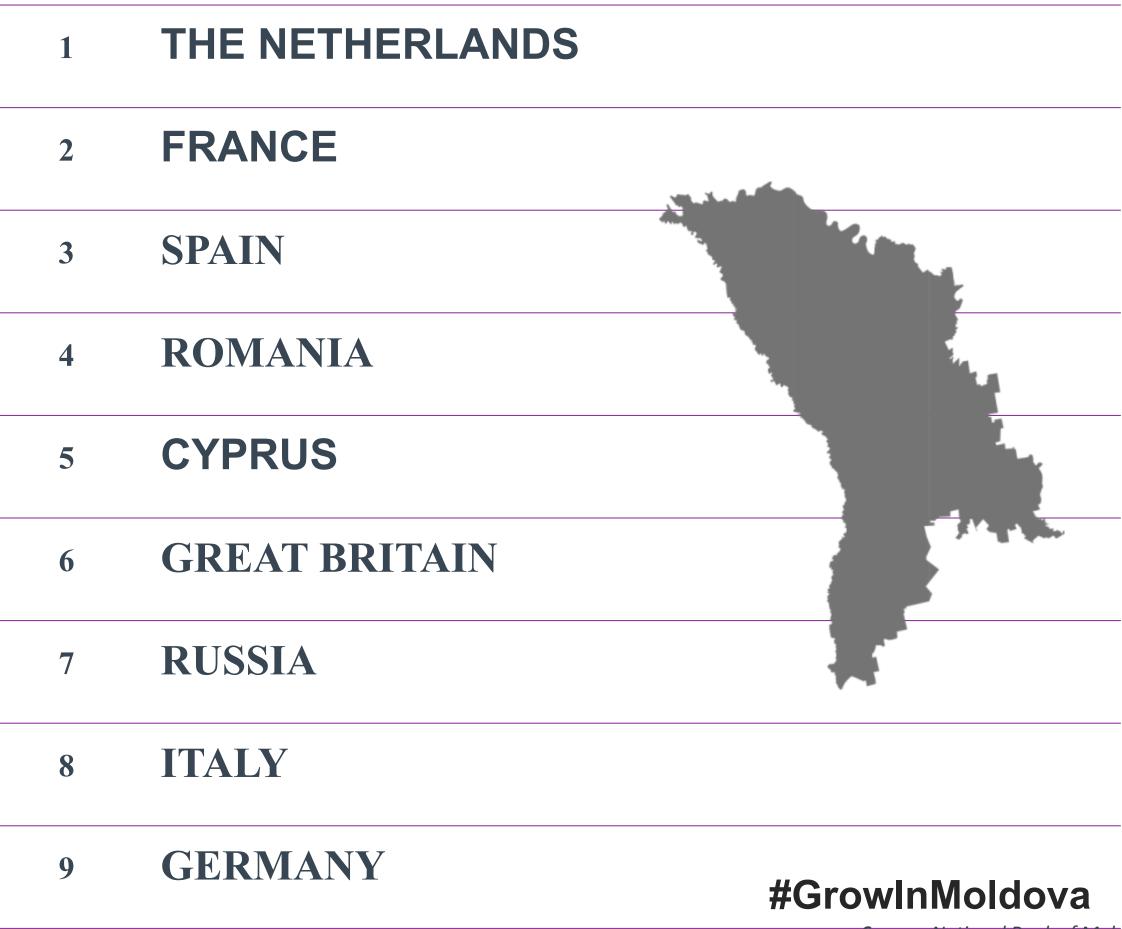
#### **Foreign Direct Investments**

by TOP group of goods - 2018 (stock)



#### **Foreign Direct Investments**

by TOP group of countries - 2017 (stock) (based on investment into social capital)



Source: National Bank of Moldova

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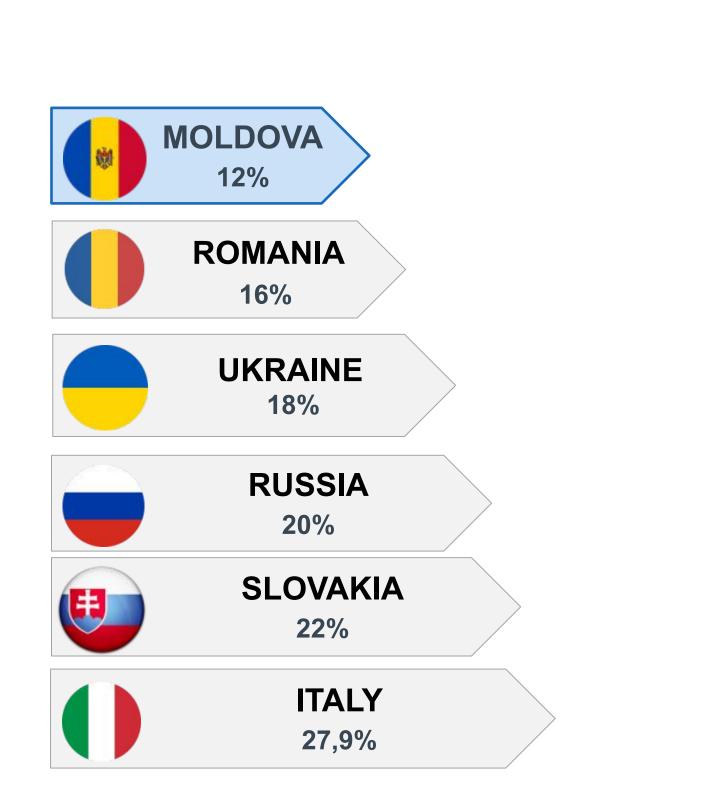
#### INVESTMENT FRIENDLY FISCAL SYSTEM



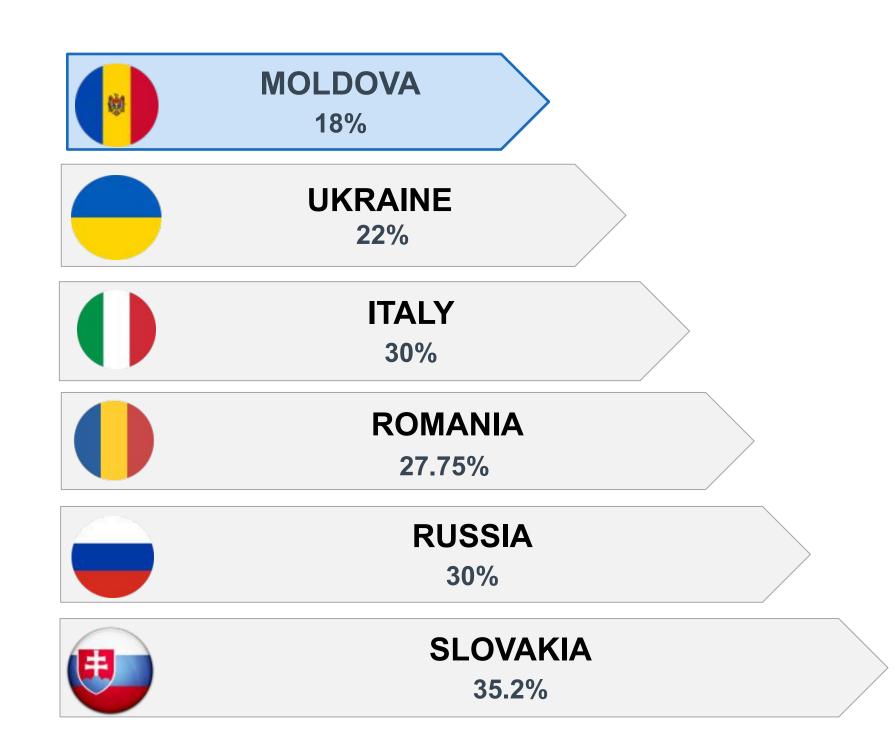
#### **Corporate Income Tax**

#### Value Added Tax

#### **Social Insurance Contributions**





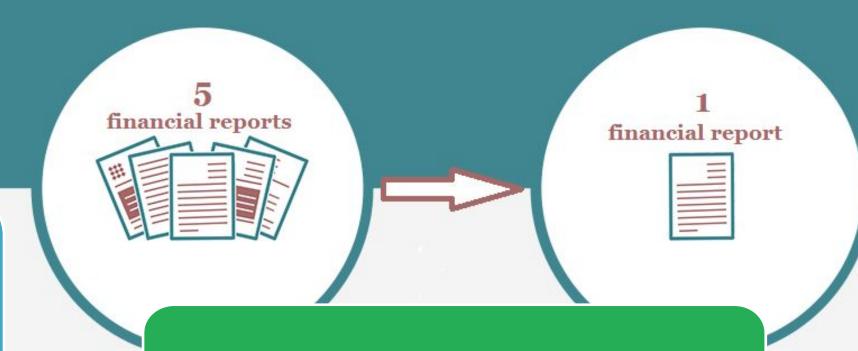


#### REFORMS IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP



#### Regulatory reform

- Reduced nr of permissive documents from 400 to 150
- Launch of One-Stop Shop (July 2018)



Financial reporting reform

#### Reform of the state control

Advisory role for the first 3 years

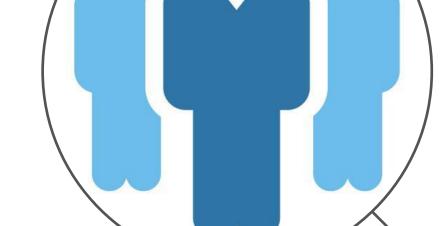
Reduced the number of institutions with control functions

Digitalization of Control

Processes



2 000 EUR - subsidy for a job created Any legal entity practicing entrepreneurial activity





#### FREE ECONOMIC ZONES



#### 7 FEZ / 14 SUBZONES

# FEZ FREE ECONOMIC ZONE MOLDOVA OTACI-BUSINESS Briceni EDINET Bosoduseni Drochia SOROCA Carrega Airport Floresti

#### **INCENTIVES**

**O** VAT + excise duties

3 and 5 years income tax exemption

6% cornorate income tax instead of 12%

10 years state warranty in case of change of legislati

# THE NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR INVESTMENT AND EXPORT PROMOTION 2016 - 2020



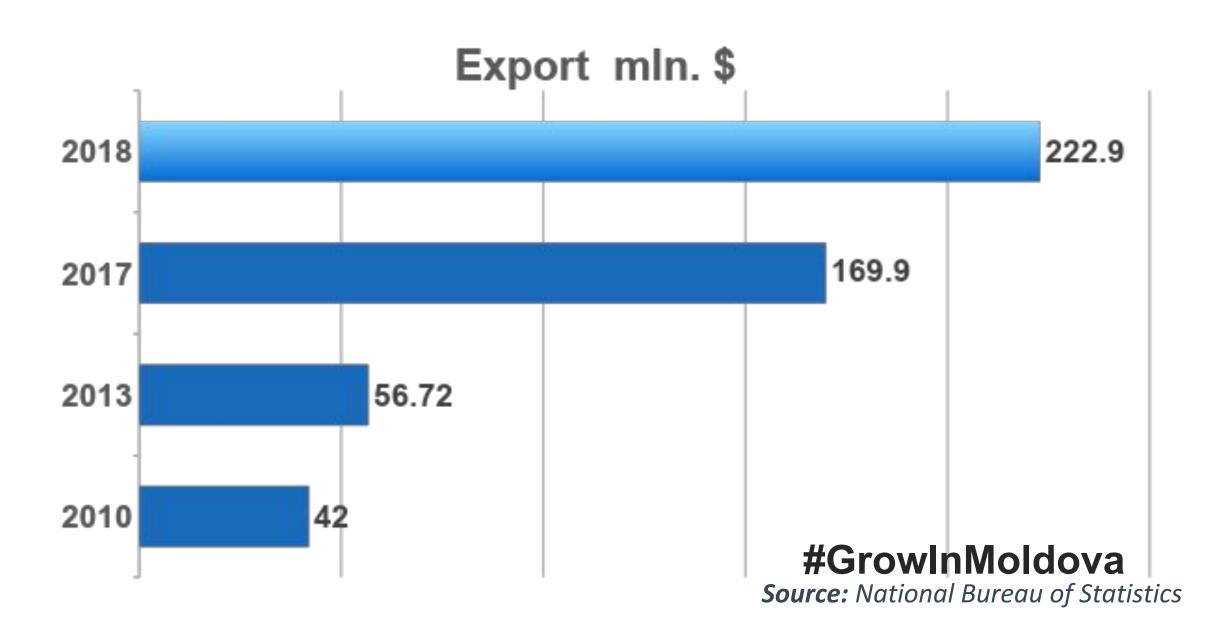
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#### INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SECTOR



- One of the top development priority with dedicated policies applied (Law on IT Park, It Visa.)
- Third sector of the national economy with a fastest growth rate:
   ~8% of GDP
- Triple export in 2017 compared to 2013
- Competitive ICT infrastructure, one of the top accessibility rate
  - above 90% coverage of fiber optics networks
  - 98% coverage of mobile communications coverage in 4G at the lowest prices in Europe
  - medium speed of data transfer ~50 Mbs
- Highly qualified and multilingual human resource (over 23,000 active IT engineers



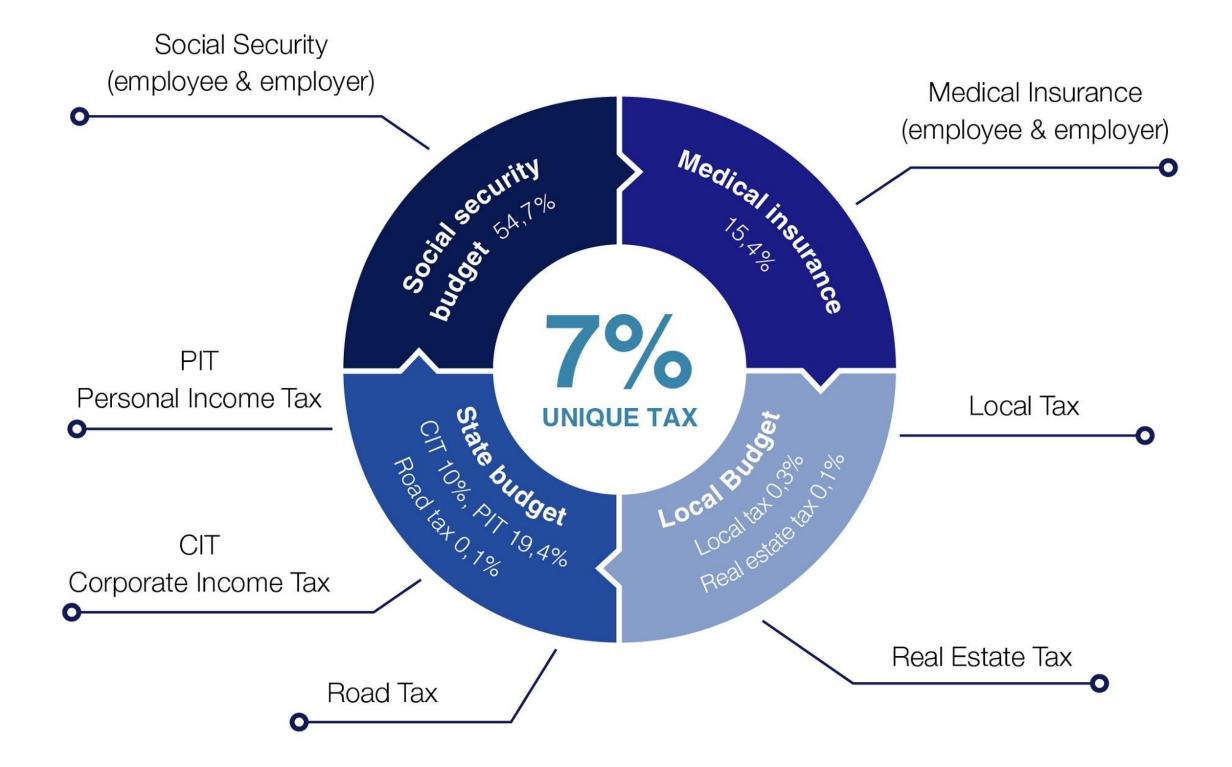






#### www.moldovaitpark.md

# Unique Tax Charged by residents of IT Parks 7% of the sales income\*

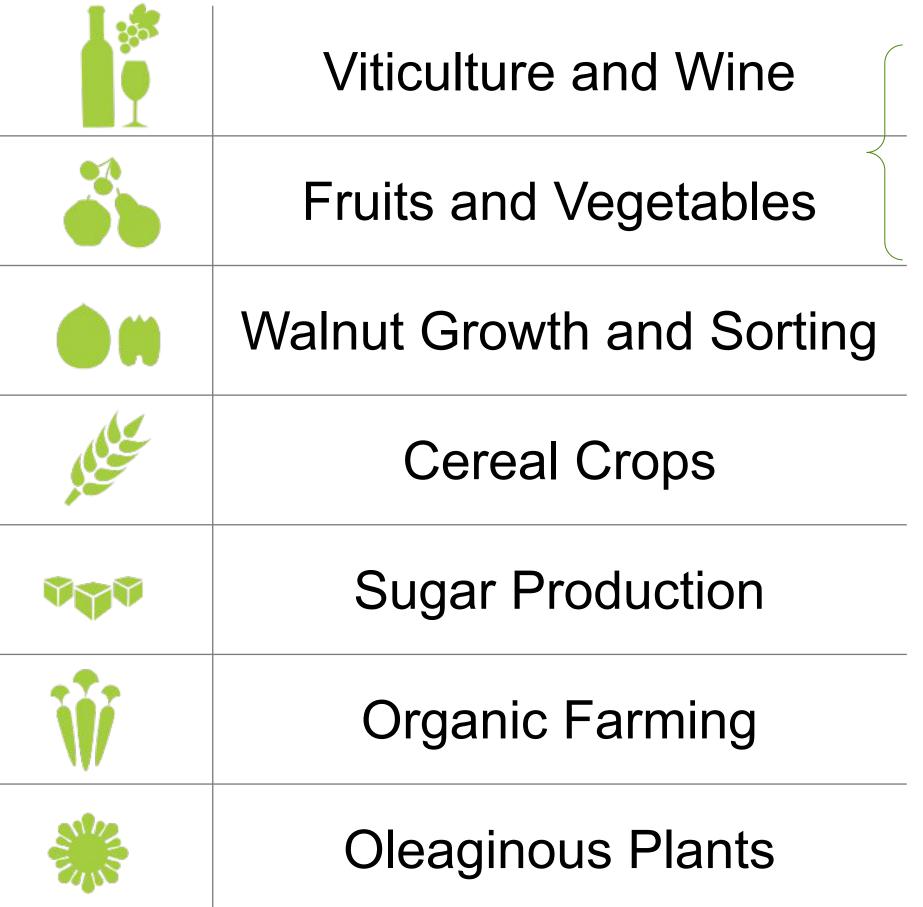


- 431 currently residing IT companies
- 115 of them foreign companies, originating from 31 countries
- 153 of them new created companies
- 2.2 bln. MDL turnover in the first year of operations (339 comp.)
- Approx. 7.500 employed IT professionals
- Approx. 2.8 bln. MDL forecasted turnover for 2019



#### AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR









- 12% Share of agricultural production in GDP
- Export in 70 + countries
- 85% of the country's foreign trade EU & CSI
- One of the largest suppliers of nuts to EU

# WINE OF MOLDOVA A LEGEND ALIVE

#### WINE INDUSTRY



VALUE (EXW, mln. \$)

#### **Key facts:**

- 187 wineries
- No. 1 with the highest density of vineyards in the world
- No. 6 in Europe by vines surface
- GUINNESS BOOK -Largest wine cellar by number of bottles (over 1.5 million bottles)
- Underground wine city galleries over 70 km
- National Wine Day (18 editions)
- 980 enterprises working for Wine and Oenotourism
- 6 institutions of Education, Research and Technology
- every 4th active Moldovan involved in the wine sector (52 000 viticulturists)

- First position in agri-food export (+11%)
- •19-th wine producer in the world
- •14% of value created in agri-food industry
- •6% of Moldova's total export
- 2% of the GDP
- 3% of the territory of the country
- 7% agricultural surfaces



#### TEXTILE, APPAREL, FOOTWEAR AND LEATHER INDUSTRY







- 20% of the country's total export volume
- 86% is exported to the EU countries
- Burberry, Moncler, Nike Armani, Max Mara, Zara produce in Moldova
- Orders are executed and delivered on average within 2 weeks
- Most major destinations both from the **EU and CIS** can be reached within **2 truck days**

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#### **AUTOMOTIVE AND MACHINE BUILDING SECTOR**



5	Cable Assemblies and Wiring  Harnesses		
	Carpets/ Rugs		
	Electronic Components and Systems		
	Foams/ Felts		
<b>B</b>	Rubber Components		
Ů	Injection/ Molded parts		
	Fastening systems (seatbelts)		
	Car seat covers, trim		



#### **Success Stories**

- **DraexImaier Automotive** (wiring harnesses) 4<sup>th</sup> plant opened in 2018
- Gebauer & Griller (cables) 2<sup>nd</sup> plant in 2017
- Fujikura Automotive (wiring harnesses) —2<sup>nd</sup> plant opened in 2018

#### SUCCES STORIES OF FOREIGN INVESTORS

#### Investors coming from 60 countries over 10 000 foreign/joint companies















**F**Fujikura

Automotive Group

Coroplast





















LA TRIVENETA CAVI

























Raiffeisen

**LEASING** 

ProCredit Bank























GROW IN MOLDOVA A PROMISE AND AN INVITATION





## SAVETHE DATE

MOLDOVA **BUSINESS WEEK 2019** 

13–15 NOIEMBRIE CHIŞINĂU

**VEZI AGENDA** 







## TIME TO INVEST

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