Guide to Investment
The Republic of Tatarstan

1st in the national regional investment climate ranking in 2015, 2016 and 2017

1st among the Russian regions in innovation activity of organisations
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Dear partners,

The Republic of Tatarstan is one of the most dynamic, economically mature and politically stable regions in the Russian Federation.

The republic’s current level of economic development provides investors with equally favourable conditions regardless of a project’s focus, be it the construction of an agricultural facility or the organisation of high-tech processing centres.

Global brands like General Electric, Ford Sollers, Daimler, Air Liquide, Haier, Philips, Rockwool, Marriott, Hayat Group, Fujitsu, Kastamonu, Wienerberger and 3M, among others, have all experienced success in Tatarstan.

In order to make the process of starting a business in the republic more transparent and comfortable for our partners, Tatarstan is actively applying the “one-stop shop” concept, which features a number of services for submitting requests and obtaining documents. The Tatarstan Investment Development Agency is an inter-agency government structure responsible for attracting, maintaining and promoting investment projects, as well as for promoting Tatarstan’s potential in external markets.

Tatarstan is one of the most “digitalised” regions in the Russian Federation. The republic leverages information technology to the fullest and attracts cutting-edge projects. For example, Innopolis University hosted an international school for autonomous vehicles here in 2019.

The republic is continuously improving its investment infrastructure. Tatarstan is home to the Alabuga industrial manufacturing zone and the Innopolis technology and innovation zone. In 2019, a fifth territory for advanced socio-economic development was set up in Mendeleyevsk. All of these sites offer federal benefits and privileges to their residents. The existing production infrastructure was built in technoparks and municipal industrial sites.

Himgrad Technopolis, High Technology Technopark IT-Park, Idea Technopark and the republic’s engineering centres offer excellent conditions for launching high-tech production, including opportunities to collaborate with experts and research labs.

Tatarstan has an advantageous location since the country’s major thoroughfares pass through the republic. These routes are ready to be integrated into transcontinental routes like the anticipated Moscow-Beijing railway or the New Silk Road.

Close relations and economic ties with other Russian regions and CIS countries, as well as the high level of internal development, make Tatarstan an excellent hub for foreign businesses looking to enter local markets.

The republic also serves as a stage for annual global events attended by local residents and visitors, including the Universiade, FIFA Confederations Cup, FIFA World Cup and WorldSkills 2019.

Supporting businesses, attracting large investment initiatives and increasing the volume of non-commodity exports are the leading priorities for regional economic policy. We are focusing on the future, and we welcome partners who are ready to collaborate with us on large-scale projects to attain ambitious goals.

Rustam Minnikhanov
President of the Republic of Tatarstan
Dear friends,

For the past several years, we have joined with the Tatarstan Investment Development Agency to publish our Investor’s Guide to the Republic of Tatarstan. We highly value the work that we have done together on this collaborative project.

We are very pleased to present the 10th version of the Investor’s Guide to the Republic of Tatarstan. Tatarstan today is a vivid example of how to build a dynamic and rapidly growing economy. I have no doubt you will discover opportunities to develop your business here with success. One of Tatarstan’s key advantages is the joint efforts of the regional government and business community to unleash the region’s potential.

For more than 12 years, PwC Kazan has worked with a large number of local clients. Throughout this time, the regional government has been relentlessly committed to improving the investment climate in Tatarstan. As more and more investors have come here, the number of investment projects has grown substantially. Tatarstan has firmly established itself as a reliable partner for investors from all around the world. The scale of the projects that have been made possible by the combined efforts of the government and investors has truly been staggering.

Along with supporting large investment projects, Tatarstan also hosts a large number of international athletic and cultural events every year. The Republic’s image is changing as the quality of life has improved.

We hope this study will help prospective investors evaluate the full range of Tatarstan’s investment appeal. Welcome to Tatarstan!

Рәхим итегез!

Denis Derevyankin
Managing Partner of the PwC office in Kazan

Welcome to Tatarstan. The Republic of Tatarstan is a region that skillfully combines centuries-old history, traditions and culture, with cutting-edge technology, international best practices and future-proof solutions across all sectors of economy. With rich architectural traditions and modern infrastructure, Tatarstan’s cities are innovative and comfortable places to live in and do business.

Tatarstan is among Russia’s most innovative regions. The Republic has long supported the concept of cluster development and, to date, hosts more than ten clusters, with particular strengths in petrochemistry and IT.

Tatarstan is the leading Russian region in terms of investment climate and remains the best entry point to the Russian market for international companies. We have 100 modern industrial parks and the largest number of territories with federal tax benefits in this country, including two Special Economic Zones and five Territories of Advanced Social and Economic Development.

Located at the crossroads of strategic airline, railway, highway and river routes, Tatarstan is one of Russia’s most important transport and logistics centres.

The Tatarstan Investment Development Agency acts as a link between investors and partners. We work under the one-stop shop principle and focus on creating an environment in Tatarstan where investors feel comfortable and on ensuring that their projects can enjoy maximum returns.

To attract investment to the Tatarstan economy, we have adopted measures to support public-private partnerships and have actively positioned Tatarstan as an advanced MICE-region.

Our investors represent 79 countries. Tatarstan successfully implements the projects of such companies as Haier, Ford, Siemens, Kastamonu, Rockwool, 3M, Daimler, Wildberries and others. We look forward to being a reliable, long-term partner for your company.

Taliya Minullina
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Six reasons to invest in Tatarstan

1. Tatarstan is for smart investors only
2. High development potential
3. Well-developed investment infrastructure
4. Advantageous geography
5. Strong state support for investors
6. High level of human capital
1 Tatarstan is for smart investors only

**International investors**
Tatarstan has extensive experience in working with international investors. It is no accident that leading international companies, including 3M, Air Liquide, Bosch, Daimler, Fujitsu, Hayat Group, Mercedes Benz and Rockwool have established a foothold in Tatarstan.

**International best practices in investor relations**
Tatarstan has adopted a number of international best practices in investor relations, including a “one-stop-shop” service for meeting investors’ needs. An effective team of professionals and this approach help to ensure that investment projects are implemented with both speed and quality.

**Global events**
Tatarstan hosts a variety of international events every year. In 2013, it hosted the Summer Universiade.
Kazan was one of the host cities for the 2018 FIFA World Cup, and the region welcomes the WorldSkills Championship in 2019.

**International trade**
Tatarstan is an active player in the international market. The republic has WTO partners in over 160 countries.

**Logistical advantages**
Tatarstan has two international airports and three major river ports. Important highways, railways through the region.

**International schools and higher education institutions**
There are three international schools and 44 institutions of higher education in Tatarstan.
Tatarstan’s higher education institutions serve about 144,000 students, including 17,300 international students from almost 130 countries.
Tatarstan as part of Russia

- **Kazan**
  - Capital
  - Time zone: GMT +03:00

- **67,800 sq km**
  - Total area

- **3.9m**
  - Total population

- **75 years**
  - Average lifespan

- **50%**
  - Of all Russian citizens live within 1,000 km of Kazan

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- **101%**
  - Industrial Production Index in 2019

- **RUB 2.58 trillion**
  - Gross regional product (GRP) in 2019

- **2.15m**
  - Working-age population in 2019

- **2.9%**
  - Unemployment rate in 2019

- **USD 570**
  - Average monthly salary
2 High development potential

Tatarstan produces

- 40.0% of Russia’s polyethylene
- 32.0% of Russia’s trucks
- 57.3% (truck) of Russia’s tyres, tyre casing and inner tubes

Oil production and refining in Tatarstan

- 36.6m tonnes Oil production in 2019
- USD 9.9bn Shipping volume of the oil-refining sector
- 99.0% Refinery yield (at AO TANECO)

USD 12.55bn of exported goods in 2019 (81.5% of the 2018 level)

25.3% share of non-resource exports

163 countries have trade and economic relations with Tatarstan
Strategy 2030

Key development targets for Tatarstan

The key message of our Strategy for the Social and Economic Development of the Republic of Tatarstan to 2030 is improving the quality of life in the region.

### Key objective per capita GRP by PPP, USD thousands (measured in 2013 dollars)

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### Expected average lifespan, years

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### Share of R&D expenditures in GRP, %

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### Institutions

Share of small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in added value, %

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### Human capital

Average annual population, millions

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### Innovation and information

Share of innovative production in overall industrial output, %

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### Financial capital

Cumulative direct foreign investment, USD billions

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The priority goals of Strategy 2030 are to create an efficient and knowledge-based economy, and to develop innovative businesses and the high tech sector.

The key instrument for transitioning to an innovative economy is cluster activation. Cluster activation will be carried out in three stages, each with its own defined target vision.

Tatarstan – 2017 – 2020 – 2030 – regional cluster activation

Major areas for development include:
- human capital;
- available space, real capital;
- markets;
- institutions;
- innovation and information;
- natural resources;
- financial capital.

### Current clusters

- Engineering and other manufacturing industries
- Financial and professional services
- Health care
- Oil and gas
- Sustainable energy
- Smart materials
- Wood processing and furniture production
- Shipbuilding
- Smart equipment (transportation and equipment)
- Shipbuilding
- Transportation and logistics
- Aerospace
- Construction
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### Innovative clusters to be created by 2030

- Eurasian hub (transportation and logistics)
- Smart IS
- Energy complex
- Oil and gas and petrochemical cluster
- Smart education
- Light industry (based on smart textiles)
- Smart materials (new plastics and composites)
- Smart machines (transportation and equipment)
- Composite production sector
- Aerospace
- Aerospace

### Existing clusters

- Construction cluster, cluster of construction technologies and materials
- Smart infrastructure
- Light industry (based on smart textiles)
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### Main clusters

- Construction
- Aerospace
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### Smart IT

- 24/7 sales and consumer services
- Agribusiness cluster (and its sub clusters)
- Sustainable energy
- Ecofood (new way of food processing)
- Biosystems
- Fusion of civilisations (culture, tourism and recreation)
- Healthy lifestyle
- Healthcare

### Smart equipment

- Robotics, fuel and power, food, machine tool building, 3D printing

### Smart materials

- New plastics and composites

### Smart machines

- Transportation and equipment

### Composite production sector

- Aerospace
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### Health care

- Construction
- Aerospace
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Well-developed investment infrastructure

There are three ways of getting tax benefits in Tatarstan: becoming a resident of a special economic zone (SEZ), becoming a resident of a territory for advanced social and economic development (TASED) or being included in the Investment memorandum* as a priority project.

Investment map

Tatarstan is the only region in Russia with seven investment sites that enjoy federal tax breaks. Tatarstan has two special economic zones and five territories for advanced social and economic development.

All seven areas enjoy tax benefits and access to special infrastructure.

100** parks and investment sites are located in the Republic of Tatarstan

** According to FASTTRACK

* Investment memorandum is a document annually approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Tatarstan establishing the main provisions and priorities for investment activities in the Republic of Tatarstan for the planned year.
Federal sites for investment projects: Special economic zones (SEZ)

Alabuga SEZ
The Alabuga Special Economic Zone is a centre for attracting investors who are carrying out promising high-tech projects in such fundamental economic clusters as the petrochemical, automotive and construction industries.

1st place in the national rating of investment attractiveness for Russian special economic zones

USD 1.9m: minimum investment threshold for obtaining resident status

Customs station for residents and customs clearance in 3 hours. Duty-free zone regime

Over 6,971 jobs

USD 411m of state investment

Tax and customs breaks and relief

Over 57 resident companies

Largest industrial-production zone of this type in Russia

USD 2.1bn of capital investment

Air Liquide received a free utility connection that helped us save USD 10m.

Jan Keller, Vice President for Russia and CIS Air Liquide

Our goal is to organise world-class production here. We are dedicated to our partnership with Tatarstan and the production of quality products.

Bart Van Malderen, President Drylock Technologies
Innopolis SEZ

Innopolis is a large-scale project to create a Russian hub for information and communication technology. The main purpose is to assist Russian and international companies in implementing high-tech investment projects.

Companies specialising in various areas of innovation can become Innopolis residents, with priority given to those specialising in information and communication technology.

Innopolis is spread out over more than 300 hectares and includes sites in the Verkhneuslonsky (193 hectares) and Laishevsky municipal districts (119 hectares).

Advantages of Innopolis:

- special tax regime;
- access to modern business infrastructure;
- preferential terms for land leases and utility connections;
- access to highly qualified human resources;
- unique environment for employees of resident companies and their families with world-class social, educational and sports infrastructure, and broad opportunities for professional growth and development.

There are enormous differences for residents from other cities here: everything is done so that IT professionals feel at ease and can comfortably pursue their own goals.

I went to the gym, where people were discussing Java or architecture, and went to a cafe and encountered the same thing. The environment in Innopolis is very supportive.

Arthur Meloyan, Executive Director, RTK Soft Labs
Federal sites for investment projects: Territories for advanced social and economic development (TASED)

Five TASEDs have been established in Tatarstan in the cities of:
• Naberezhnyе Chelny
• Chistopol
• Nizhnekamsk
• Zelenodolsk
• Mendeleyevsk

TASEDs will diversify urban economies, reduce their dependence on single enterprises and increase their investment attractiveness, all while creating more than 17,500 permanent jobs and attracting in investment more than USD 607m.

TASED Naberezhnyе Chelny

USD 519m of planned capital investment
USD 238m of capital investment
5,632 jobs
39 residents

Investment project requirements

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Specific types of economic activities for TASED Naberezhnyе Chelny

- Textile and light industry
- Metallurgy and metalworking industry
- Agriculture, livestock and fisheries

Tatarstan is the industrial heart of Russia. At the same time, it is comfortable not only to work but also to live here.

Alevtina Kuzmina, General Director
Kamastal

Food and beverage production
Chemicals and pharmaceuticals
Woodworking, furniture and pulp and paper industry
Other finished products

adt-chelny.ru
The TASED in the Nizhnekamsk industrial park has the best conditions for business!

Marat Giniatullin, General Director
Metakam LLC

“...”

We are grateful to the management of the SEZ “Alabuga” and Tatarstan for the creation of such conditions. This allows us successfully develop our investment projects year after year.

Ali Kilich, General Director,
KASTAMONU in Russia

Resident of SEZ “Alabuga”
**TASED Chistopol**

USD 9.7m of capital investment

331 jobs

8 residents

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**Investment project requirements**

**Volume of capital investment**

USD 40,000 during implementation

**Number of new jobs**

10 during implementation

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**Specific types of economic activity for TASED Chistopol**

- Textiles and light industry
- Metallurgy and metalworking
- Machinery manufacturing
- Production, repair and installation of equipment
- Agriculture, livestock and fisheries

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"The Republic of Tatarstan, TASED Chistopol – the best place to do business of foreign investors."

*Bao Li, Supervisor of Jin Feng Investment Project*

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**TASED Mendeleyevsk**

In 2019, the fifth TASED appeared on the investment map of Tatarstan in Mendeleyevsk.

USD 4.5m of capital investment

36 jobs

3 residents

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**Investment project requirements**

**Volume of capital investment**

USD 40,000 during implementation

**Number of workplaces**

10 during implementation

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**Specific types of economic activity for TASED Mendeleyevsk**

- Warehousing and storage
- Production, repair and installation of equipment
- Cargo handling
- Mining of other minerals
- Agriculture, livestock and fisheries

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"Our factory is like a child to us, and its birth was quick and easy. We can now easily ship our products throughout Central and Eastern Russia."

*Kim Aganimov, Vice President, Food Service Europe*

Resident of SEZ «Alabuga»

March 2019

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Federal sites for investment projects: Tax breaks

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* Starting from 2021 residents carrying out activities in the field of IT can take advantage of a preferential rate of 3% if they meet the conditions defined in the Russian Tax Code.

** In particular, imported technological equipment (including components and spare parts) without analogues manufactured in Russia is not subject to taxation.

*** Residents carrying out activities in the field of IT can take advantage of a preferential rate of 14% (7.6 starting from 2021) if they meet the conditions defined in the Russian Tax Code. If not, standard rate 30% will apply.
4 Advantageous geography

2 International airports:
- more than 45 destinations including Dubai, Frankfurt and Istanbul
- 20 daily flights to Moscow

39,200 kilometres of highways
3 A-class logistics facilities
1,880 kilometres of railroads
8 federal highways spanning 1,073 km
3 river ports

Tatarstan is located in the heart of the European part of Russia at the intersection of major trade routes (land, air and water) connecting Europe and Asia.

10 of Russia’s 15 largest cities are located within 1,000 km of the Republic of Tatarstan

New Silk Road
- 16 days
- Transcontinental railway route from Chongqing through the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region to Europe
- 36 days
- Sea route
5 Strong state support for investors

Tatarstan Investment Development Agency

www.tida.tatarstan.ru

For more than eight years, TIDA has been helping investors by:

- raising financing;
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Frequently asked questions by investors

Procedures for establishing joint ventures

What procedures are in place for establishing joint ventures?

First, the parties meet and identify their next steps and, if necessary, sign documents such as a memorandum of intent and a confidentiality agreement.

What does a memorandum of intent usually contain?

In a memorandum of intent, the parties usually specify the scope of their activity, confirm their mutual interest in setting up a joint venture, define the law and judicial authority that will consider disputes between the parties, etc.

What law regulates the procedures for registering legal entities in the Russian Federation?

The procedures for registering legal entities in the Russian Federation, including companies with foreign interest or participation, are defined by Federal Law No. 129-FZ of 8 August 2001, “On the State Registration of Legal Entities and Sole Proprietorships”.

Where can I find the list of documents needed to register a legal entity?

The list of documents is available on the website of the Federal Tax Service.

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To which tax inspectorate must I submit registration documents?

The registered address of a legal entity is considered to be the legal address of the director (CEO, founder, etc.). The business address may be the address of an office owned by the founder, or the home address of the firm’s CEO (rented premises may also be used as the business address).

How long does it take to receive state registration documents?

If the documents you submitted are correct and complete, you will receive the following from the tax inspectorate within three business days:

- Certificate of state registration of a legal entity;
- A copy of the corporate charter/articles of incorporation signed by the registering authority;
- A list of records with the Unified State Register of Legal Entities (USRLE).
Investment protection law

What legislation is in place in Tatarstan to protect my investments?

The Republic of Tatarstan has adopted the following laws on protecting investments:

- Law No. 2180-XII of 19 July 1994 “On Foreign Investment in the Republic of Tatarstan”.

What about federal legislation?

The Russian Federation has adopted the following laws on protecting investments:

- International treaties signed by the Russian Federation on stimulating and protecting investments.

How is the hiring of foreign employees regulated?

Where are the rights and obligations of foreign citizens and the terms of their migration registration defined?


What legislation regulates the right of foreign citizens to work?


What do the registration procedures for foreign citizens depend on?

Article 1.2 of Federal Law No. 115 defines three main types of foreigners: “temporarily staying”, “temporarily residing”, and “permanently residing”. The registration procedures primarily depend on the status of the foreigner.
Limitations on the withdrawal of funds from the Russian Federation

In accordance with Russian law, transactions involving individuals and legal entities that are currency residents (and non-residents) are subject to currency controls when transferring money abroad.

Main participants in foreign exchange transactions

Currency residents and non-residents: individuals

- These individuals may legally transfer money abroad in the following major ways:
  - through specialised and unspecialised payment systems;
  - through banks to other individuals (acquaintances, relatives);
  - through banks and payment systems to legal entities.

Currency residents and non-residents: legal entities

- The main operations for transferring funds abroad:
  - transfer of funds to contractors (suppliers, creditors, borrowers);
  - various payments to individuals (e.g. employees abroad);
  - transfer of various duties and charges to foreign government agencies.

Land rights (restrictions)

(What restrictions are in place on foreign investors in Tatarstan?)

- In the Russian Federation, land use and protection are regulated by the Russian Land Code and regional legislation.
- Land is provided for rent (sometimes with the right of the first option) for terms of no more than 49 years. To receive land for rent or ownership (except for exclusive rights), it may be required to win a bid/auction.
## Higher education and the workforce

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- More than 200 training programmes for mid-level specialists
- 53 enlarged groups of areas of higher education
- USD 570 average monthly salary

### Higher level of human capital

- 37 resource centres
- 2.04m workforce
- 129 training programmes for mid-level specialists
- 75 years – average lifespan

### Innopolis University
- Innopolis University is a Russian higher education institution focused on IT and robotics.

### Kazan (Volga) Federal University
- Kazan (Volga) Federal University is 10th among Russian institutions of higher education, according to Times Higher Education.

### International schools in Tatarstan
- Instruction at the Alabuga International School and International School (Kazan) is in English in accordance with the International Baccalaureate (IB) programme. The programme is a globally recognised standard-bearer for high-quality education and is the best way to prepare for the rigours of university.
The Republic of Tatarstan: a place for doing business, working and living
Tatarstan as a global event centre

**The XXVII Summer Universiade**
In July 2013, Tatarstan’s capital, Kazan, hosted the XXVII Summer World Students Games, which was the largest sporting event in the history of student athletics. The Games attracted 7,980 athletes and 3,798 officials from 162 countries. The event was also attended by around 150,000 guests and tourists.

**Red Bull Air Race 2019**
Competitions were held in the picturesque centre of the city above the Kazanka River overlooking the Kremlin.
The event attracted 26 pilots and more than 128,000 spectators.

**2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia**
Russia hosted the 21st FIFA World Cup from 14 June to 15 July 2018.
Six matches, including a round of 16 match and a quarterfinal, were held in Kazan.
The Kazan Arena has a seating capacity of 45,000 and one of the world’s largest media screens (3,700 sq m).
WorldSkills

*WorldSkills Kazan 2019*

Kazan is the host city for the 45th WorldSkills Championship in 2019:

- **60** member countries and regions
- **56** competencies
- More than **1,600** participants
- More than **1,500** experts

**International economic summit**  
**Russia-Islamic World: KazanSummit**

KazanSummit is the main platform for economic cooperation between the Russian Federation and the Islamic world.

In 2019, more than 3,500 participants from more than 72 countries and 38 regions of Russia took part in the Summit.

This international economic summit between Russia and the member states of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) took place for the first time in 2009.

It has become a leading international platform for discussing issues of cooperation and implementing joint projects.

The Summit’s business programme is followed by cultural and spiritual events. Forum guests also enjoy an excursion programme as well as food and design festivals.

**Kazan Expo**

Opened in 2018, Kazan Expo International Exhibition Centre is a modern, world class high-tech facility.

Kazan Expo International Exhibition Centre is connected to Kazan airport and the Aeroexpress train station. The capacity of the centre allows it to hold large international events, exhibitions, congresses, conferences, festivals and concerts.
Made in Tatarstan

Tatarstan brands and products are well known all over the world.

KAMAZ trucks have won the Dakar Rally 17 times.

The A-145 is a high-speed skimming passenger boat. These types of vessels have never been produced in Russia before.

The Kazan branch of Tupolev has over 90 years of experience in aircraft production.

With the help of quick-detachable equipment, the Ansat, a light twin-engine multipurpose helicopter, can be quickly re-equipped to perform a wide range of tasks, including transportation of goods and passengers, surveillance, search and rescue, fire fighting and medevacs.

Nizhnekamskneftekhim is one of the largest petrochemical companies in Europe.

TANECO is a modern Russian oil refinery.

Tatneft is one of the largest Russian oil companies.

Nefis Cosmetics produces chemicals for household and industrial use.
Visit Tatarstan

The Kazan Kremlin
Heart of the Republic
The white-stone fortress, where the Orthodox Annunciation Cathedral and the elegant Kul Sharif mosque peacefully coexist on the same site. In the Kremlin, you can visit museums and galleries, see the tomb of the Kazan Khans and the mysterious “leaning” tower of Suyumbike.

Great Bolgar
Ancient civilization on the Volga
Bolgar is a place of pilgrimage and a Muslim shrine. One of the ancient capitals of the Golden Horde, part of the Great Silk Road, Bolgar was the centre of the birth of Muslim culture in the Volga region. The site has the largest printed Quran in the world.

The ancient island of Sviyazhsk
Prototype of Pushkin’s Buyan Island
Sviyazhsk, with its primeval nature and amazing history that is kept alive by the residents, seems like it is out of a fairytale. In the churches on the island, unique sixteenth-century frescoes depicting Tsar Ivan the Terrible have been preserved.

World events:
- Fedor Shalyapin International Opera Festival
- Rudolf Nureyev International Ballet Festival
- International Islamic Film Festival
- International Jazz Festival

Sport venues:
- Sviyaga Hills Golf Club
- Sviyaga Hills Ski Resort
- Kazan International Horse Racing and Sports Complex

11,000
sporting venues operate in Tatarstan
Things to do in Tatarstan

While visiting Tatarstan, make sure to:

- Get a copy of the Guide to investment
- See the Orthodox cathedral and mosque in the Kazan Kremlin
- Discover if the Suyumbike Tower is really leaning
- Walk along Bauman Street, Kazan’s version of Moscow’s famous Arbat Street
- Fall in love with the local cuisine
- Ponder eternity at Sviyazhsk
- See the world’s largest printed Quran in the city of Bolgar
- Visit the home match of a professional sports club
- Invest in Tatarstan

Plan your next visit!
Come to Tatarstan!
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