

# NETHERLANDS

The Netherlands has a strong reputation as a jurisdiction of choice for establishing international businesses, thanks to its strategic location, excellent connectivity and infrastructure, and its supportive tax framework which includes highly attractive innovation and Research and Development incentives. The Netherlands has concluded a large number of investment protection treaties, and its political and social stability makes it an attractive place to do business.

The ZEDRA Netherlands office is located in the World Trade Center at Amsterdam International Airport, a convenient five minutes walk from the arrivals hall. The local team has extensive experience and a strong track record in the corporate services industry in the Netherlands and abroad. They specialize in providing corporate and administrative services to international clients and their Dutch businesses, in conformity with applicable laws and regulations. ZEDRA's clients vary from multinational corporations and investment funds to private clients.

In cooperation with clients' advisers, ZEDRA's Dutch Office offers a range of products and services, with a focus on servicing holding, financing and licensing companies, foundations and real estate companies that are located in the Netherlands. ZEDRA also assists clients in setting up their operational businesses in the Netherlands.

## Holding, financing and licensing companies

The Dutch participation exemption provides for an exemption from corporate income tax for profits derived from a qualifying shareholding in a participation. Next to this, the Netherlands has an extensive tax treaty network and as an EU member state, the Netherlands has access to EU Directives. Moreover, based on Dutch domestic law, interest and royalties paid are not subject to withholding tax in the Netherlands. As a result, international holding, financing and licensing activities are often structured using Dutch companies. ZEDRA Netherlands is specialized in managing and administering such companies.

## Real estate companies

ZEDRA Netherlands also specializes in real estate investment services. The services offered by the real estate specialists of ZEDRA Netherlands include the management and administration of Dutch property companies as well as liaising with investors and property managers.

## Dutch foundations

A Dutch Foundation is commonly used to structure the ownership of assets, especially for estate planning purposes - it is a legal entity that is incorporated through a notarial deed. A Dutch Foundation can own assets in its own name, does not have shareholders or members and is managed by a management board. Board members can be provided by ZEDRA Netherlands.

A depositary foundation can issue depositary receipts which represent the economic rights attached to shares held by the foundation. By issuing depositary receipts the economic rights (which are transferred to the depositary receipt holder) and the voting rights (which remain with the foundation) are split.

## Corporate Services

- | Management services (corporate and personal directorships)
- | Domiciliation services
- | Corporate secretarial services
- | Compliance services

## Administrative Services

- | Bookkeeping
- | Preparation of (consolidated) annual and interim accounts
- | IFRS reporting
- | Pay roll services
- | Bank account opening
- | Payment services

## Capital Markets

- | Incorporation of a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) in the appropriate jurisdiction in line with the applicable laws and regulations.
- | Providing management, domiciliation and corporate secretarial services to keep the entity in good legal standing.
- | Providing accounting, reporting and cash management services including preparing of statutory accounts / financial statements and audit coordination.
- | Act as calculation and reporting agent.
- | Act as Trustee preserving the rights of the investors / noteholders
- | Regulatory, reporting to local regulators, including beneficial ownership and FATCA/CRS registration.
- | Winding up the structure.

## Financial Services

- | Escrow services
- | Securitization services

## Other services

- | Office space
- | Reception services

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