

# INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY

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# INVESTING IN AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY MAKES SENSE

- You earn above-normal returns
- You help generate employment, household income, and foreign exchange
- You enhance food and nutrition security
- You sustain natural resources
- You partner with an investor-friendly, respected Government and People

# POST CONFLICT CHALLENGES EXIST

- Lack of infrastructure
- Low productivity
- Pervasive food insecurity
- Collapsed agricultural supply chains
- Mismanaged forest resources

# BUT WE HAVE A VISION TO

- Rehabilitate infrastructure and invest in basic services
- Increase yields
- Stimulate agricultural markets
- Rebuild appropriate institutions
- Reform forestry development

# LIBERIA HAS ABUNDANT RESOURCES

- Over 4.6 million hectares of arable land
- 5.7 million hectares of forest areas with log volume of 128 cubic meters per hectare / 43% of remaining tropical forest cover in Upper Guinea Basin
- 4000 mm average annual precipitation and year-round sunshine
- 350 mile coastline, 70,000 square mile EEZ and over 1810 Km of rivers
- 71,000 M<sup>3</sup> annual renewable water resources and 600,000 hectares irrigation potential.
- Plentiful, cost-effective labor

# LIBERIA IS IDEAL FOR COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT IN:

- Food Crops
  - Rice, cassava, vegetables, spices, oil seeds
- Tree Crops
  - Rubber, oil palm, cocoa, coffee, citrus, coconuts
- Fisheries
  - Marine, inland, aquaculture, fish farming
- Livestock
  - Small and large ruminants
- Forestry
  - Logs, plywood, veneer, furniture, joinery products, eco-tourism and agro-forestry

# PRIORITY AREAS FOR INVESTMENT

- Land development and preparation
- Crop production/ cultivation
- Value-added processing/post-harvest
- Preservation and storage
- Rehabilitation and replanting of rubber, oil palm, cocoa and coffee farms
- Fishery development including coastal surveillance
- Large and small-scale livestock production
- Timber production with access to timber sales and forest management contracts

# INVESTING IN AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY IS GOOD BUSINESS

- Proven profitability
- Perfect vehicle for strategic public-private partnerships
- Leverages open door investment policy
- Utilizes ready access to domestic, regional and international markets

# INVESTING IN AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY IS GOOD BUSINESS

- Promotes economic recovery and sustainable development
- Consistent with national reconstruction and development strategy
- Affirms exemplary political and economic leadership

WELCOME TO THE NEW LIBERIA!