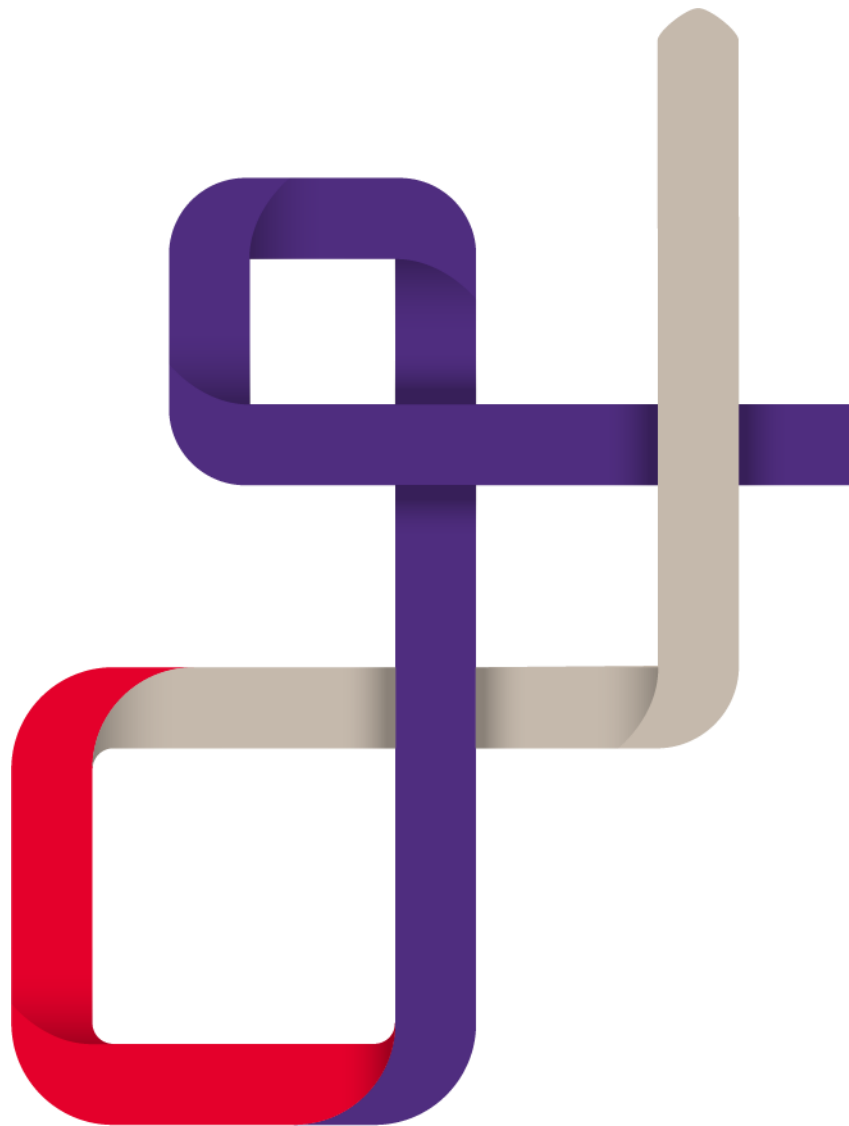


# Unlock Puerto Rico

Providing proper and sound advice to your  
business

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# Proven experience and delivery

If you are looking for alternatives to expand your current operations or investment opportunities, now is the time to bring Puerto Rico at the front and center. The benefits of establishing, relocating or expanding businesses in Puerto Rico are, without a doubt, attractive and rarely surpassed by any other jurisdiction.

Puerto Rico offers tax incentives packages which can prove attractive to US mainland and other countries companies. With a focus on promoting economic development and growth, the government is committed in providing the tools and support needed to succeed.

Our professionals can help at every stage of your company's growth cycle - from set up the entity, advice regarding proper tax structure, registry with the governmental agencies, negotiate tax incentives, preparation of your tax returns and general tax consulting on any area of your business. As a member firm of Grant Thornton International Ltd, we can work together with other firms around the globe to provide your business worldwide support that will allow you to attain your goals.

**We can help you with the following services:**



## 1. Company set up

- design and implementation of structure considering all relevant PR, US and International implications
- choice and organization of entity
- assistance in compensation structure definition
- expatriate services for individuals transferred to/from PR
- process initial registrations and licenses renewals



## 2. Business registry

- registration with corresponding government instrumentalities, including municipalities and agencies



## 3. Tax incentives negotiation

- determine which PR tax incentives are applicable
- assistance and representation in obtaining the applicable Tax Exemption Grants
- pursue negotiations and amendments



## 4. Tax and compliance services

- PR and US tax returns for individuals, estates and trusts
- PR and US tax returns for corporations and partnerships
- tax planning for individuals and businesses
- personal, estate and succession planning
- indirect taxes
- financial statements audits



## 5. Business growth support

- research on tax issues and recent economic developments
- perform valuation studies
- provide M&A advisory and due diligence
- business reorganizations
- PR and Federal tax audits representation
- special compliance audits in the area of indirect taxes



## 6. Transfer pricing

- evaluation of transactions between related parties
- analysis of cross-border transactions
- transfer pricing planning and risk assessment
- benchmarking analysis and documentation
- assistance with related party disclosures
- dispute resolution



## 7. Back office services

- perform financial reporting and accounting services
- provide full outsourcing services, including payment to employees and suppliers, billing, bank reconciliations, payroll and payroll tax deposits, among others



## 8. Notifications from government agencies

- resolve tax and other notices issued by PR and US government agencies in Puerto Rico
- obtain filing certificates, withholding waivers, debt certificates, and certificates of existence

# Why choose Puerto Rico?

Puerto Rico is an ideal destination to explore for your international business and foreign direct investment opportunities while delighting in a diverse rich history and culture in what is arguably one of the most beautiful places on Earth.

Puerto Rico offers investors/businesses the security and stability of operating in a U.S. jurisdiction with an unrivalled array of special tax incentives for foreign direct investment that can be found nowhere else in the world. These make of Puerto Rico a compelling destination for businesses – large and small. Labor and Tax laws and our world-class infrastructure provide the opportunities and benefits of doing business on the island. Our skilled and highly educated workforce attracts industries as diverse as: pharmaceuticals, biologics, medical device, aviation/aerospace, information technology, renewable energy and specialized manufacturing. Disruptive technology companies in the blockchain and artificial intelligence space are also attracted to Puerto Rico.

## U. S. legal framework

- U.S. foreign trade zones and customs
- U.S. legal framework and intellectual property protection
- U.S. currency and banking system
- no passports required for U.S. citizens traveling to Puerto Rico

## Highly skilled workforce

- more than 30,000 university degrees granted each year in science, math and technology fields
- 1.3 million workers in the labor force; many bilinguals
- manufacturing wages 65-80% lower than mainland U.S.

## World-class infrastructure

- Port of San Juan #9 in container movement in U.S.
- 139 industrial parks with 25 million square feet of space
- 24,000-mile highway network
- water quality meets U.S. standards
- fiber-optic telecommunications network

## Strategic and privileged location

- serves as a gateway to the continental U.S. and Latin America
- direct flights to major cities, such as New York,
- Miami, Madrid, London and Panama City
- average temperature of 28C (83F) in winter and 29C (85F) in summer

## Perfect for doing businesses

- strong, yet flexible, legal and regulatory framework, with all corporate law and regulations published in English
- English and Spanish are the official languages of Puerto Rico

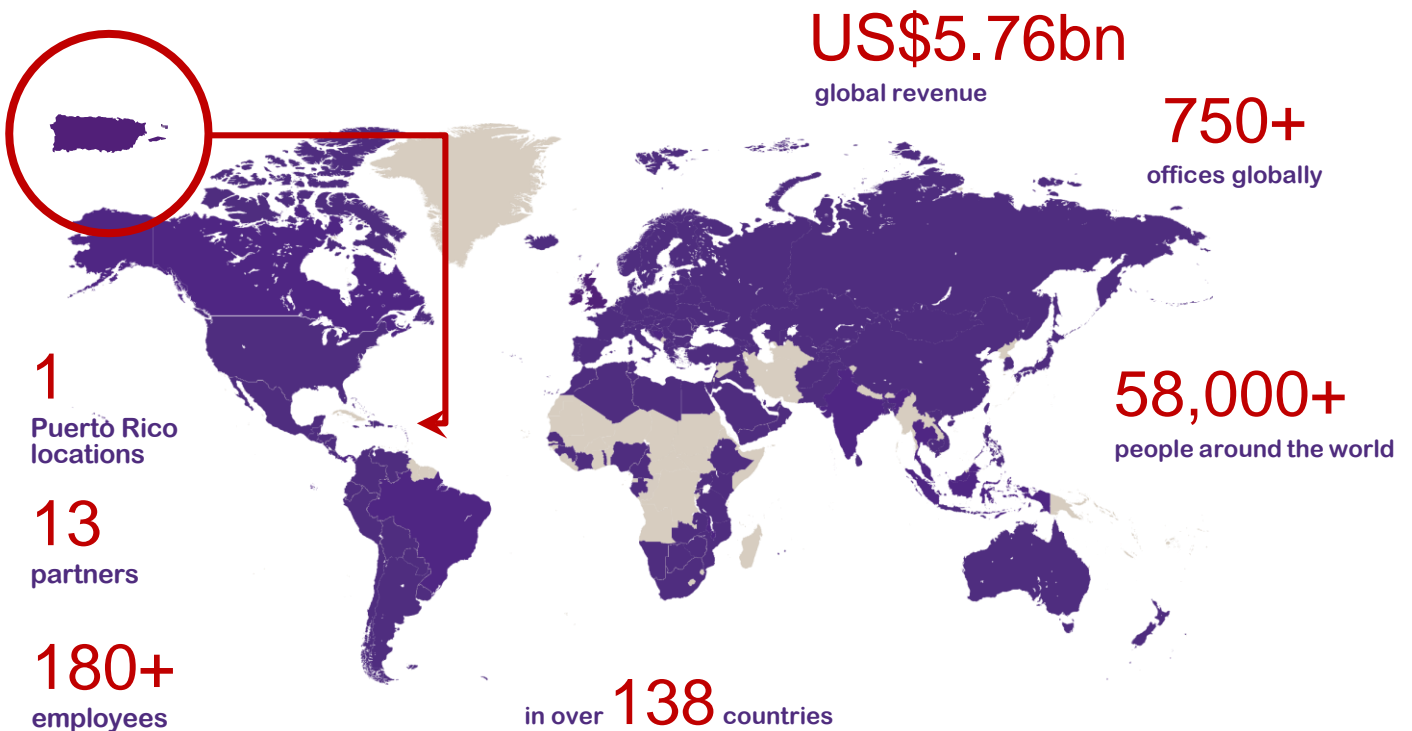
## Unrivalled tax incentives

- fixed corporate income tax rate, one of the lowest in the U.S. jurisdiction
- tax exemptions and special deductions, training expenses reimbursement and special tax treatment for pioneer activities
- tax laws provide special benefits to new Puerto Rico bona fide residents



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