

Unlock Antigua

Develop your business and #GoBeyond

2024



Expanding your business in Antigua

Expanding into new international markets can be challenging due to the many issues to consider and resolve. Our Unlock Antigua service can provide expert advice and insight to support you every step of the way. From helping you find the best location, to setting up a branch or subsidiary, we are committed to providing pragmatic and timely advice that allows you to focus on achieving your business goals.

International expansion is an important step, but with a dedicated international business adviser, who takes time to understand your business and customise the specific services you require, you'll know you have the support to manage the risks and maximise the potential a new market offers your business.

Our advisers can help at every stage of your company's growth cycle – from starting-up, raising venture funding, listing on a regional exchange, acquiring or merging with another company, or using Antigua as a base to expand into other markets – which means that whatever the challenge, we're at your side.





We can help you with the following services

- Determining the appropriate ٠ ownership structure
- Transaction support ٠
- Escrow services .
- Company registration ٠
- Help with opening a local bank ٠ account



Company set up



- Citizenship by investment ٠
- Residency advice ٠
- **Employer solutions** .
- Help with work permits and visas ٠
- Pensions and benefits ٠



Work and residency

Location advice



- Deep local knowledge to help ٠ determine the optimum location for your business or home
- Identify potential locations based • on the factors most important to you





Tax and investment concession

Corporate and international taxes

Personal taxation advice

applications

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Tax registration

Indirect taxes

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We can help you with the following services (continued)

- Advice on debt and other local funding
- Finding the right local business
 partner
- Mergers and acquisitions



Financing your

business

Bookkeeping

- Payroll and recruiting services
- Financial reporting and accounting

Back-office services

- Company secretarial
- IT selection and support



Expert local support to help you

thrive and navigate in-country

Introductions to key business

communities and professionals

protocols

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Business

- Statutory and non-statutory audits
- IFRS advice
- Internal audit
- Cybersecurity services
- Internal control reviews



Audit and assurance



Why choose Antigua?



With its near-perfect climate, beautiful coastline, friendly people and strategic location, Antigua has always been a wonderful place to live and work.

Independent since 1981, this country of 85,000 people has established itself as a progressive, stable and multicultural democracy.

Market Opportunity

- Population of 85,000
- Member of Caricom and the OECS
- Providing access to trade and resources through free movement within the Caricom member states
- Active, accessible trade and business links to the United States market

Magnet for talent

 Attracts top regional talent due to free movement of human resources within the OECS and Caricom regional groupings

Business friendly environment

 Attractive tax concessions and incentives for investments and businesses established in encourage priority areas such as Tourism, Financial Services, Renewable Energy, Higher Education, Medical Tourism and the like

Why choose Antigua? (continued)



As a developing nation, there are many opportunities to make successful investments in a variety of areas. Sound and innovative projects will benefit from the investor-friendly stance of the Government, with generous concessions available to help make your investment a successful one. Already having one of the highest GDP per capita ratios in the sub-region, and a truly 'open' economy, Antigua's vision is to become the 'Economic Powerhouse' of the Caribbean.

Quality of life

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- Good work/life balance
- Range of residency, citizenship and work permit arrangements

Access to finance

- Buoyant financial
- services sector
- Variety of debt and equity funding opportunities
- Strong government support to foreign direct investment and related projects.



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> +150 Markets

+73,000 Employees



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