

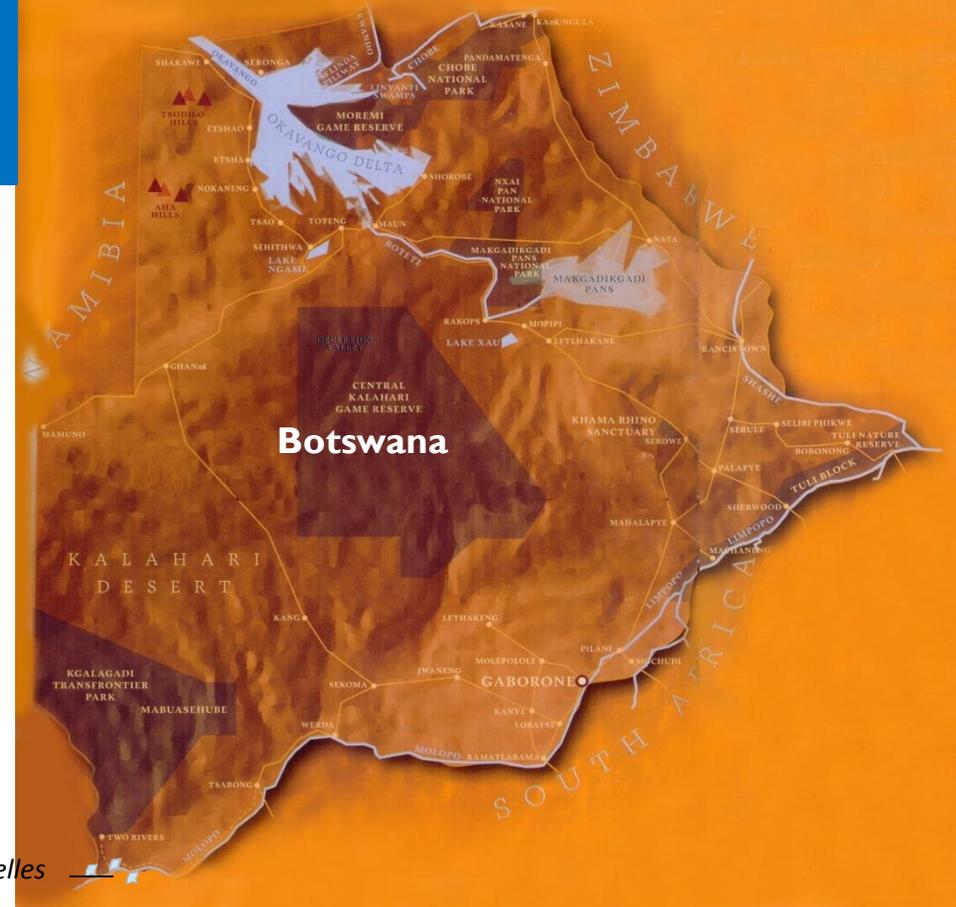


A Place to Live, Visit and Invest



**Botswana Netherlands Trade and Investment Forum
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Our place in the world



- **Strategically Located in the centre of Southern Africa**

Quick facts about Botswana



Area:	582,000 km ²
Population:	2,024,787 (as per 2011 Populations and Housing census)
Capital City:	Gaborone
Form of Government:	Parliamentary Republic
Head of State:	President Dr. Lt. General Seretse Khama Ian Khama
Adult Literacy Rate:	83%, <i>World Bank</i>
Official Language:	English
National Language:	Setswana
Gross Domestic Product:	USD 12.9 Billion
Per capita GDP:	USD 6 041 (2015)

Why Botswana



- Committed to progress with integrity
- A Peaceful and Prosperous nation
- A safe and secure place to Live, Visit, Work and Invest
- Economically strong and politically stable
- A Democratic country with good governance structures

A place to LIVE

- Modern and attractive to live in, work and enjoy life
- Offers good quality of life
- A place to raise children and enjoy an excellent work-life balance
- Friendly, welcoming and accommodating people



A place to VISIT

A Unique and diverse experience

Tourism For Tomorrow Award (Destination Stewardship Award for successful work in advancing sustainable tourism best practices)

Home to 2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites – the Tsodilo Hills and the Okavango Delta

Preservation of heritage for visitors and future generations



A place to INVEST



- Good sovereign credit ratings
- Business profitability index; rated 3rd in the world
- Lowest corporate tax rate in the region (15% for manufacturing /financial services, 22% for all other activities)
- Maximum personal income tax rate of 25%

A place to INVEST



- No foreign exchange controls
- Duty free importation of machinery used in production
- Duty free importation of raw materials used in exportable products
- Several double taxation agreements including with RSA
- Enterprise can be 100% foreign owned
- Good industrial relations
- Trainable workforce and high adult literacy rate (82%)

Investments sought



- Strategic to economic diversification
- Export potential
- Creation of sustainable employment opportunities
- Sustainable utilization of natural resources
- Technological transfer
- Skills transfer

International Rankings



Name of Report	Source	No. of participating countries	Botswana Ranking
Global Competitiveness Index – 2016/17	World Economic Forum	140	68
Doing Business 2016	World Bank	189	72
Economic Freedom 2016	The Heritage Foundation	186	30
Corruption Index 2015	Transparency International	168	28
Global Peace Index 2015	Vision of Humanity	162	31
Global Prosperity Index 2015	Legatum Institute	142	77

Thank You

