

# Indonesia

# **Legal Provisions**

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## **GENERAL REMARKS**

The purpose of this document is to give an overview of trade-related legal provisions and regulations, particularly those relevant for small and medium sized Swiss companies operating from outside the target country. It outlines the current state of legislation and, to the extent possible, its practical application.

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#### **CUSTOMS LAW AND DUTIES**

#### **Indonesian Customs Law**

Indonesian Customs Law (ICL) is governed under Law Number 17 of 2006. The Indonesian Customs Territory is defined as the territory of Indonesia, covering the land and waters and the air space over them and specified localities in the exclusive economic zone (ZEE) and the continental shelf in which the ICL applies in full. The Indonesian ZEE is the outer strip bordering the Indonesian territorial sea as determined by the law applicable to the Indonesian waters, covering the seabed, the subsoil thereof, and the water above it with an outermost limit of two hundred (200) nautical miles, measured from the baseline of the Indonesian territorial sea. The Customs Area is an area with certain borders at a harbour, airport, or other place designated for flow of goods, which is fully under the monitoring of the Indonesian Directorate General of Customs and Excise (DGCE).

Customs valuation is a series of customs procedures that are applied to determine the customs value of the imported goods. The determination of customs value in the course of importation into the Indonesian customs territory is governed under Article 15 of the ICL, which states that the customs value of imported goods shall be the "transaction value". If the customs value cannot be determined based on the transaction value of the imported goods, then the customs value should be based on the transaction value of identical goods, the similar goods, deduction method, or computation method, or should be determined on the basis of data available in the customs territory, subject to certain limitations.

Importation of goods into Indonesia must be declared to the Customs Authority using Customs declaration Form (PIB). The Importer must prepare a Customs Declaration Form (PIB) upon the importation of goods. The customs declaration should be accompanied by supporting documents, i.e. commercial invoice, airway bill (AWB) or bill of lading (B/L), packing list (P/L), insurance letter, etc. The revision of customs declaration can be done under certain circumstances. Revision can be made provided the imported goods have not been released from the temporary customs area, the error was not discovered by the customs officials, or no assessment has been issued. The type of customs declaration form depends on the purpose of import.

#### **Customs Tariff**

Indonesia is a member of the World Trade Organization and adopts the Harmonized System Code for Customs Tariff. Import duties generally vary between 0% and 100%. The tariffs are calculated based on the CFR or CIF value, net of the specific weight or volume-averages.

For customs duties, please refer to S-GE's modular database: https://www.s-ge.com/en/customs-database-worldwide-customs-tariffs.

#### **IMPORT REGULATIONS / NON-TARIFF RESTRICTIONS**

## **Tariff Classification and Import/Export Duties**

Indonesian Tariff classifications are governed under Article 12 of the ICL. The Indonesian HS Code is determined based on the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature, and the HS Code is now extended to eight (8) digits.

Customs duty tariff depends on the HS Code of the imported goods as classified in the Indonesian Customs Tariff Book (BTKI – latest year 2022). Knowing the correct classification is essential, since the HS Code is one of the factors that determine the rate of customs duties and taxes, as well as the import/export requirements for the product.

A preferential tariff rate is extended to partner countries that have signed Free Trade Agreements (FTA). The IE-CEPA of Indonesia – EFTA is already entry into force since November 1, 2021. Thereafter specific rules and regulations apply.

#### Import Duties

Imports are also subject to VAT and levied at a standard rate of 10%, or at a reduced rate between 0% and 5% calculated on the sum of the CIF value and duty. The applicable import duties depend on the type of product to import to Indonesia.

Three main types of taxes apply when importing goods to Indonesia:

Tax type	Tax rate
Import Duty	Rates vary - depending on the HS Code of the goods
Value-Added Tax (VAT)	10%
Income Tax	2.5% or higher for specific products

The total tax of imported goods is known as the Declaration of Imported Goods (PIB). Committed to trade liberalisation, the Indonesian government has progressively cut import duty rates on most products. Most imported items attract duties in the range of 0% to 15%. The rates applicable vary with where the goods are originated, where certificate of origins need to be presented.

#### **Import**

Imported goods may be subject to import duty, sales tax, luxury and income tax. If imported products are considered luxury goods, they are also subject to Luxury Tax, which rate depends on the type of product. For example: luxury cars (150% - 200%), yachts (75%), luxury motorcycles (60%-95%), alcohol beverages (5%-20%), and branded shoes (40%).

Companies may only import with an import license issued by the Ministry of Trade. The import-licensing requirement is exempted for the import of products of which values do not exceed US\$ 100, and products from the "master list" of approved investments. These include goods that cannot be produced in Indonesia or expensive capital goods (machinery), equipment, raw materials and consumer goods. The import of products as gift items to the Indonesian government and recognized non-profit organizations, samples, advertising material, as well as imports of warehousing (bonded warehouses) are also exempted from the licensing requirement.

#### **Temporary Import**

Indonesia is not a member of the ATA Convention. For temporary import of goods, the Indonesian importer must sign an undertaking with the competent customs office and provide a reclaimable guarantee equivalent to the amount of the good with customs and tax duties factored in. This is not necessary when participating in exhibitions because larger fair warehousing (bonded warehouse) would declare the goods.

A new import regulation, PMK 199/PMK.010/2019, was rolled out in Indonesia in 2020. The key changes introduced by the new regulation are as follows:

- 1. There are now three (3) clearance classifications, based on the value of the shipment:
  - a. Shipments with values not exceeding USD 3;
  - b. Shipments with values more than USD 3 but not exceeding USD 1,500; and
  - c. Shipments with values more than USD 1,500.
- 2. Limitation of the exemption value of goods will change from USD 50 to USD 100. If a shipment's value is greater than USD 3, duty tax will be applied to the full value of the shipment;
- 3. Shipments with a value more than USD 100 but not exceeding USD 1,500 can be processed using one of the following methods:
  - a. Consignment Note with flat 7.5% import duty (except for textbooks, bags, luggage, textile products, garments, footwear, shoes); or
  - b. Formal entry (PIB) for business entities or simplified formal entry (PIBK) for personal shipments.
- 4. Shipments with a value more than USD 1,500 can be processed using PIB for business entities or PIBK for personal shipments.

#### Export

Any release of goods from the Indonesian customs territory shall be treated as an Export. Export of taxable goods/products is subject to VAT at 0%, while exports of products/commodities are not subject to export duty.

The export of timber, certain fish species, certain varieties of rice, certain categories of rubber, and culturally valuable antiques are prohibited. Special licenses are required for the export of products such as gold, silver, certain categories of rubber, and certain types of fish, oil and natural gas.

## **E-commerce**

Indonesia's internet economy experiences rapid growth with over 10 percent of Indonesia's 270 million population indulging in online shopping.

In late November 2019, Indonesia issued Government Regulation 80 of 2019 (GR 80, 2019) to improve the governance of internet-based and electronic trading activities in addition to ensuring tax compliance among e-commerce businesses. This would mean that online businesses classified as small or medium enterprises (SMEs) must pay 0.5 percent in income tax while large companies pay the 25 percent corporate tax rate. Additionally, individual taxpayers who are earning at least US\$342,000 from their online business must charge their customers value-added tax (VAT).

From January 2020, the government impose import taxes on consumer goods sold via e-commerce to just \$3 from the threshold was previously at US\$75, to control purchases of cheap foreign products and protect small domestic firms. Additionally, there will be different tariff rates for imported textiles, shoes, and bags. Textiles will be subject to 15-20 percent in import duties, as are bags, while shoes will be subject to a 25-30 percent rate. This is also before applying the 10 percent VAT and 7.5 percent in income tax. For other products, the import taxes will be lowered from 27.5%-37.5% of their value to 17.5%, as applicable to any goods worth \$3.

On non-tariff restrictions, please consult <a href="https://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/tpr\_e/tp\_rep\_e.htm#bycountry">https://www.wto.org/english/tratop\_e/tpr\_e/tp\_rep\_e.htm#bycountry</a>

# PRODUCT REGISTRATION, TECHNICAL STANDARDS, AND LOCAL CONTENT REQUIREMENTS REGISTRATION PROCEDURE FOR PRODUCTS

Different products would require registration with different government agencies:

- Indonesia National Agency of Drugs and Food Controls (BPOM) issued registration numbers on pharmaceuticals, food and skincare products.
- Medical devices including its registration and distribution are under the domain of Ministry of Health (MOH).
- The Ministry of Trade (MOT), Indonesia National Agency of Drug and Food Control (BPOM), and National Agriculture Quarantine, Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) regulate dairy products.

It is mandatory that product registration to be done through local partners or counterpart in Indonesia.

#### STANDARDS, TECHNICAL RULES, LABELLING REGULATIONS

#### **Standards**

Indonesia is applying its own national standard called SNI (Standard National Indonesia) which applies for certain products that produced locally or imported. The National Standardization Agency of Indonesia (BSN) issues the SNI.

## **Labelling**

Labelling is required for Food and Non-Food Products:

- Food Law No.18/2012, Government Regulation No.69 of 1999 on Food Labelling and Advertisement, BPOM Regulation No 31 of 2018 on Processed Food Labels require all producers, importers and/or distributors to attach labels on food products before entering Indonesia customs area.
- Minister of Trade Regulation No. 25/2021 require producers and importers to attach labels written in Bahasa Indonesia on non-food products before entering Indonesia customs area.
- The recent MOT Regulation No. 25/2021 describe the recent development on labelling that would need to be complied by domestic and foreign companies.

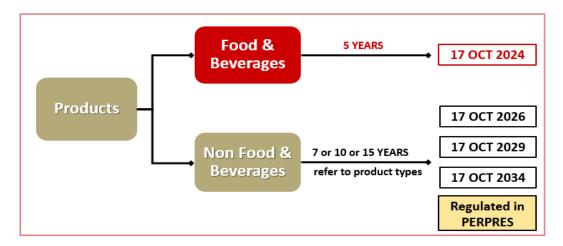
## **HALAL REGULATIONS**

Provision on the halal product requirement has existed since the issuance of Law No 33/2014 on Halal Product Assurance and further is stipulated under Government Regulation No 39/2021 on Implementation of Halal Product Assurance ("GR 39/2021"). Badan Penyelenggara Jaminan Produk Halal/ Halal Product Authority (BPJPH) under the Indonesia Ministry of Religious Affairs (MoRA) is the authorized institution to implement this Halal Product Guarantee law.

Since the enactment of GR 39/2021, under a multi-stage implementation period starting from 2024, food and beverage, cosmetics, drugs, and other consumer products will be required to be labelled as Halal or non-Halal.

## Highlighted articles of the new Halal Law

- **Products** are goods and/or services related to food, beverages, drug, cosmetic, chemical product, biological product, genetically engineered product, as well as consumer goods that are worn, used, or utilized by the public.
- Products that enter, circulate, and traded in the territory of Indonesia must be halal certified.
- Product that originated from haram material excluded from Halal Certification.
- The obligation of halal certification come into force in stages from October, 17<sup>th</sup> 2019 until October, 17<sup>th</sup> 2034 based on the type of the products.



#### Halal Labelling

Based on BPJPH Decree No.40/2022, it defines the new halal logo to attach in the product (on either the packaging or certain part of the product). The halal logo must also include the certificate number or the product registration number. The decree is valid starting 1st March 2022.



## **LOCAL CONTENT REQUIREMENTS**

Local content requirements (LCR) is firstly introduced through the Minister of Industry Regulation No. 10 of 2006 Regarding the Use of Domestic Production Machineries to Obtain Facilities on Import Duties for Goods and Materials, where the provision is furtherly stipulated under the Presidential Decree No. 24 of 2018 Regarding the National Team on Increased Use of Domestic Product. Indonesia's laws and regulations on LCR are classified under LCR provisions related to the government procurement and LCR provisions which are not related to the government procurement.

LCR provisions related to the government procurement can be found in among others i) Law No. 3 of 2014 on Industry; ii) Presidential Decree No. 16 of 201 which is amended by Presidential Decree No. 12 of 2021 on Government Procurement for Goods and Services; and iii) Minister of Industry Regulation No. 48 of 2010 on 7 Guidelines on Utilization of Domestic Products in Development of Electricity Infrastructure. LCR provisions which are not related to the government procurement can be found in among others i) Minister of Industry Regulation No. 29 of 2017 on Procedures to Calculate Local Content of Cell Phones, Laptops, and Tablet Computers; and ii) Minister of Industry Regulation No. 22 of 2020 on Procedures to Calculate Local Content on Electronics and Telematics Products.

Further, level of the local content requirements which have to be fulfilled by the enterprise shall refer to each of the product and/or sector. For example, for the radio frequency band setup for wireless broadband services, the enterprise shall fulfill minimum 30% local content for subsriber station.

#### **CURRENCY REGULATIONS AND OTHER TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS**

National currency in Indonesia is the Rupiah (IDR, Rp abbreviated). Bank Indonesia (BI) controls the regulation and the transfers. Bank Indonesia (BI) Regulation No. 24/7/PBI/2022 ("PBI 24/2022") stipulates that Indonesian banks are restricted from carrying out overseas transfers of local currency (rupiah), which must be converted into a foreign currency.

Based on PBI 24/2022, it stipulates that BI monitors Foreign Exchange Activities of Banks and Customers and regulates foreign exchange flows. In connection with this, PBI 24/2022 provides obligation for Banks to submit report of transaction data and/or information related to the local currency transfer (including the underlying transaction) through the reporting system set by BI.

The underlying transaction may be in the form of one or more of the following activities:

- current account activities:
- financial transaction activities (financial accounts);
- capital transaction activities (capital account);
- credit or financing from Banks to the Citizen of Indonesia for trade and investment purposes;
- trade in goods and services in Indonesia; and
- other underlying transactions determined by the BI.

#### COMMERCIAL REGISTER AND OTHER SOURCES OF COMPANY INFORMATION

#### **Company Registration**

Foreign investment in Indonesia shall be conducted in the form of a limited liability company (foreign investment company or PT PMA.

1. The applicant needs to select a name for PT PMA before the Notary will check and reserve the PT PMA's name on the Ministry of Law and Human Rights (MoLHR)'s system. The applicant has to pay the administrative cost to obtain a bank perception for the use of such name. PT PMA's name shall be valid for 60 (sixty) days since the payment date until the company is established.

A company shall be established by 2 (two) or more shareholders (legal entity and/or individual) and shall have 3 (three) organs, which are:

- General Meeting of Shareholders ("GMS")— divided into Annual GMS and other GMS. Annual GMS has to be carried out at the latest 6 (six) months after the end of the financial year;
- Board of Directors ("BoD") BoD carries out the purposes and objectives of the company in accordance with the limitation set by the Company Law and/or AoA. BoD consists of at least 1 (one) director or more, which is appointed by the GMS;
- Board of Commissionaires ("BoC") BoC supervises the management of the company and advises the BoD where necessary. BoC consists of at least 1 (one) commissionaire or more, which is appointed by the GMS.

The company shall also have a Deed of Establishment ("DoE") that contains:

- Articles of Association ("AoA"), which consists of the following minimum information, among other: name and location of the company, purposes and objectives of the company, amount of the authorized capital, issued and paid-up capital, titles and the numbers of the BoD and BoC, and terms on the GMS; and
- Other related information, which consists of the following minimum information on the identity of the shareholders, BoD, and BoC and other related information.

Company will obtain its legality status after being registered to MoLHR and obtained registration proof.

2. Tax Identification Number (Nomor Pokok Wajib Pajak or NPWP) is the identification numbers given to taxpayers to exercise their taxation rights and obligations. NPWP will be issued in no later than 3 (three) working days after complete and correct documents submission.

3. **Processing and Obtaining Business Identification Number ("NIB") from OSS**. Based on the Government Regulation No. 5 of 2021 on Implementation of Risk-Based Business Licenses ("GR 5/2021"), NIB serves as (i) Investment Registration, (ii) a Company Registration Certificate (TDP), (iii) an Importer Identification Number (API), and (iv) a customs access right.

#### 4. Business License

Under the GR 5/2021, there are 3 types of risk of business activities that related to the business license:

- Low-Risk business activities: Most business activities classified as low risk only require NIB as license document.
- Medium Risk business activities: The Company will also have to fill out Standard Certificate ("Certificate") in addition to NIB.
- High-Risk business activities: The Company will require NIB and a License. The License will be issued after the applicant has met all the requirements for the relevant business activities (which may also include Environmental Impact Analysis AMDAL), and therefore, may commence its operational and commercial activities.

For certain business activities (i.e. those located in an industrial estate, a special economic zone, free trade zone, or listed in a national strategic project), the issuance of the license may be expedited for a company to commence its preparation and operational activities.

## **Business Tax Rate**

As per 2022, the rate of business tax is 22%. A Public company with >40% of its shares traded on the IDX and meets other conditions is subject to a 3% lower rate than the current business tax rate.

#### Withholding Tax Rate

Dividends received from an Indonesian company, cooperative, or state-owned company, are exempted from income tax withholding if the following conditions are met.

For resident recipients:

- Domestic dividends received or obtained by the individual taxpayer as long as the dividend is invested in Indonesia within a certain period of time, and corporate tax payer;
- Dividends and income after corporate tax abroad, received by corporate and individual taxpayers, as long as they are investing or supporting other activities in Indonesia within a certain period of time, with the following requirements:
- The dividends and after-tax income invested are at least 30% (thirty percent) of the profit after
- The dividends obtained from overseas business entities whose shares are not traded on the stock exchange are invested in Indonesia.

A-20 percentage final withholding tax is due on dividends paid to a non-resident recipient.

## **LEGAL FORMS OF COMPANIES**

#### **PT PMA Establishment**

There are several key matters that foreign investor has to be well aware of prior to establishing PT PMA:

#### 1. Indonesian Standard Business Field Classification ("KBLI")

Business sectors/activities in Indonesia are classified into different categorizations as regulated under the Head of Centre Statistic Body Regulation No. 2 of 2020 on the Indonesian Standard Business Field Classification (Klasifikasi Baku Lapangan Usaha Indonesia or KBLI).

Foreign investor has to be specific in its business sectors/activities, since the details of business sectors/activities will be reflected in the KBLI code, and will further be used to determine investment limitations, establish PT PMA, and obtain licenses.

#### 2. Capital Investment

Investment in Indonesia is regulated under the Presidential Regulation No. 10 of 2021 on Investment Business Activities as amended with the Presidential Regulation No. 49 of 2021.

According to the Investment Coordinating Board Regulation No. 4 of 2021 on Guidelines and Procedures for Risk Based Business Licensing and Investment Facilities, the minimum issued and paid-up capital for PT PMA is 10,000,000,000 IDR / 601,234 CHF, while the investment value has to be more than IDR 10,000,000,000 / 601,234 CHF excluding land and building.

This is because a PT PMA is classified as conducting large-scale activity, and foreign investment is only allowed to engage in large-scale activities. Please note that the amount of investment value to be submitted will depend on the numbers of business activities or KBLI code to be applied

Minimum Capital Requirement	Minimum Investment Value Requirement
IDR 10,000,000,000 (CHF 601,234)*	More than IDR 10,000,000,000, excluding Land & Building (CHF 601,234)*

<sup>\*</sup>The currency rate as of 27 April 2023

#### REGULATIONS GOVERNING SALES AGENTS AND COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVES

#### **Entry Conditions For Staff Performing Maintenance or Repair Services**

According to the Ministry of Law and Human Rights (MOLHR) Regulation No. 29/2021, regarding technical procedures for applying for and granting visas, including working VITAS intended for foreign citizens who intend to reside in Indonesia for a limited period of time.

The application and issuance of working VITAS has then referred to MOLHR Regulation No. 16/2018, regarding procedures for granting visas and stay permits for expatriate manpower. Based on the regulation, the validity period for a working VITAS depends on the employment period stated in the employment contract, but shall not exceed two years.

## **Types of Sponsored Employment Visas**

There are four types of work and stay permits in Indonesia:

- One month/emergency work permit and limited stay permit
- Short term work permit and limited stay permit
- Long term work permit and limited stay permit
- Long term work permit and permanent stay permit.

The one month/emergency work permit and limited stay permit must be sponsored by a company. It is valid for maximum of 30 days and is non-renewable. On expiry, the foreign worker must leave Indonesia. For this type of work permit, no separate cancellation initiated.

This type of permit used for jobs with an urgent or temporary nature, such as installation, repair or maintenance jobs on machines. The application process is relatively fast compared to other work and stay permits.

The short term work permit and limited stay permit must be sponsored by a company and is valid for between two and six months. This permit is non-renewable. On expiry, the foreign worker must cancel the permits and leave Indonesia. This type of work and stay permit is generally used for short-term projects where foreign workers enter Indonesia to work for a few months.

#### PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

#### **Patent**

Patent protection is obtained on registration with the Directorate of Patents, Layout Design of Integrated Circuits and Trade Secrets at the Directorate General of Intellectual Property (DGIP) of the Ministry of Law and Human Rights (MoLHR).

The Government Regulation in lieu of Law No. 2 of 2022 on Job Creation as stipulated by Law No. 6 of 2023 governs the amendments to Law No. 13 of 2016 on Patents. The following patent can be protected:

- Patent product: creating, importing or licensing the patented product;
- Patent process: creating, licensing or importing products that results from a patented process;
- Patent methods: system and usage that covers the creation, importation or licences from products resulting from patented methods, system and usage.

Patent shall be implemented in Indonesia. To maintain the registration of a patent, the patent holder must pay annuity fees. The fees must be paid from the year of the application to the current year, as well as for the following year. Failure to make this payment will result in the relevant patent rights being revoked.

Patent protection lasts for 20 years from the national filling date (NFD) and no extension is allowed. It is therefore essential to have a renewal system in place to ensure all applicable deadlines are properly met

## **Trademark**

Trademark protection in Indonesia is obtained upon registration to the Directorate of Trademarks and Geographical Indications at the Directorate General of Intellectual Property (DGIP). Trademark protection is provided for two-dimensional marks in the form of image, name, phrase, sentence, letter, number, colour configuration (or a combination of any of these) that are distinctive and applied in the trade of the respective goods and/or services.

Registered trademark shall receive legal protection for a period of ten years and may be extended for the same period. The trademark owner must avoid non-use for three consecutive years because any third party may submit a lawsuit through the Commercial Court for the deletion of a registered trademark if the trademark is not used within three consecutive years in the trade of goods and/or services from the registration date (NFD) or the last use.

The facilities are available to conduct IP searches and obtain IP information on registered IP rights: <a href="https://www.wipo.int/branddb/en/index.jsp">www.wipo.int/branddb/en/index.jsp</a>, <a href="https://www.asean-tmview.org">www.asean-tmview.org</a> and <a href="https://pdki-indonesia.dgip.go.id">http://pdki-indonesia.dgip.go.id</a>.

#### PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTING PAYMENT

In Indonesia, non-residents are normally subject to a 20% withholding tax on the remittance of interest, dividends, royalties, and other payments outside the country. Double tax treaties offer a lower withholding tax rate, usually 10% to 15%.

In addition, most treaties provide for an exemption from withholding tax, where interest is paid to the government or other specified authorities in other countries. The treaties also provide a "time test" for determining when a permanent establishment is deemed to exist. Indonesia and Switzerland have a tax treaty signed in 1988.

## **ENFORCING COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS AND RESOLVING DISPUTES**

The Indonesian Civil Code governs international contracts. Enforcing contracts in Indonesia can be a long and difficult process. Indonesian people are not rush decision makers thus business negotiations can be very slow. Business relationships in Indonesia must be allowed to grow over time. Since commercial agreements are well discussed about before the formalization, the incidence of disputes is low.

Indonesian law includes several options for the resolution of commercial disputes:

- **Court litigation.** Commercial disputes are private in nature and therefore fall within the jurisdiction of the general court system;
- Arbitration. Indonesian Law No. 30 of 1999 on Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution (Arbitration and ADR Law) expressly provides that arbitration in Indonesia can only be used either in cases that are commercial in nature; and if the parties have agreed in writing to resolve their disputes through arbitration;
- Mediation; and
- **Adjudication.** Adjudication is often used, especially in construction disputes, but there is currently no formal adjudication mechanism.

Indonesia is a civil law jurisdiction. Therefore, the judicial system is largely inquisitorial. Judges play an active role in court hearings, have broad powers to manage the litigation process, and are not bound by precedent. The inquisitorial approach is also often adopted in domestic arbitrations, at least those administered by some of the local arbitral institutions.

The arbitration expenses are often borne by both parties but can be entirely charged to the unsuccessful party in some situations. While Indonesian courts are largely impartial, litigations including the appeals process can take up several years to conclude.

#### Law on Job Creation

With the enactment of Government Regulation in lieu of Law Number 2 of 2022 (Perppu 2/2022) concerning Job Creation, Law Number 11 of 2020 concerning Job Creation has been revoked and declared no longer valid. The Perppu 2/2022 has been enacted by Law Number 6 of 2023. Perppu 2/2022, among others, is expected to be able to enhance the investment ecosystem and business activities, increase the protection and welfare of workers, create convenience, empowerment, and protection for Cooperatives and Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises, and increase government investment and accelerate national strategic projects.

Business Licensing	• Establishing a risk-based business licensing (low, medium-low, medium-high, and high risk) based on the assessments of the level of danger relating to health, safety, environment, and the resources utilization.
Investment	<ul> <li>Introduction of 'Positive Investment List', which opens all business fields for investment, with the exception of 6 sectors<sup>1</sup>, as stipulated under Presidential Regulation No. 10 of 2021 on Investment Business Fields as amended by Presidential Regulation No. 49 of 2021.</li> <li>Establishing the first Sovereign Wealth Fund (SWF), Indonesia Investment Authority (INA), as an alternative source of economic development financing.</li> <li>Adding tourism development as one of criteria for an investment to obtain taxation facility</li> </ul>
Ease of Doing Business	<ul> <li>Create ease of business licensing by implement risk-based approached and integrate environment approval into business licensing</li> <li>Amendment of Article 20 of Patent Law 13/2016 on local manufacturing requirement, which stipulates multiple ways to implement Patent, including import and license the patented products.</li> </ul>
Labor	<ul> <li>Simplification of foreign workers permit to only the Manpower Utilization Plan (RPTKA), with RPTKA's exemptions applied to Directors/Commissioners owning shares in an Indonesian entity and expatriates working for start-up companies.</li> <li>Only provincial minimum wages shall be applied with considerations on the minimum living wages (municipal and sectoral minimum wages are no longer applied).</li> </ul>
Environment	<ul> <li>The Environmental Impact Assessment shall involve the "directly-impacted communities". Civil society organizations can only be involved if they are part of the directly impacted communities, or have previously engaged in the advocacy works within the community.</li> <li>Removal of the provision of minimum forest area, and give the responsibility to the Central Government to stipulate minimum forest area according to the physical and geographical conditions.</li> </ul>

Perppu No 2/2022 is expected to provide legal certainty and optimism in increasing investment that will encourage employments.

#### **OVERVIEW OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT SYSTEM**

Presidential Regulation No. 16 of 2018 on Government's Good and Services Procurement as amended by Presidential Regulation No. 12 of 2021 regulates Indonesia Public Procurement System. The National Public Procurement Agency ("NPPA") otherwise known in the Indonesian acronym of LKPP is a government agency responsible for develop and formulation of strategies in the area of public procurement.

NPPA has a reporting duty directly to the President of the Republic of Indonesia. In conducting its function and duties, the NPPA is under the coordination of the State Minister for the National Development Planning/Head of the National Development Planning Agency (BAPPENAS).

The Presidential Regulation No. 16 of 2018 currently serves as the primary regulation on public procurement and some important regulations are:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The six sectors are: Class-I narcotics cultivation and industries, all forms of gambling and/or casino activities, illegal fishing of endangered fish species, utilization of coral or natural reefs, chemical weapons manufacturing industries, and industrial chemicals and industrial depleting-ozone industries.

- NPPA Regulation No. 9 of 2021 on Online Shop and Electronic Catalog in Government Procurement of Goods and Services
- NPPA Regulation No. 12 of 2012 concerning Guidelines for Implementing Government Procurement of Goods/Services through Providers,

Public Procurement in Indonesia is carried out in a decentralized manner. Each government institution, both at the central and regional levels, has a special unit tasked with organizing procurement, both electronically and manually.

The process of electronic procurement starts with the demand of the users in each ministry, organization, and local government to each Procurement Service Unit (ULP) to procure a certain good, service or work. The ULP then will input the data related with the good/service procurement to the Electronic Bidding System (SPSE), which integrated with the Electronic Procurement Services Hosts (LPSE) in each ministry, organization, and local government (province/regency/city). For providers of goods and services who want to take part in the bidding, they need to register as provider in a special portal (LPSE) provided by each government institution.

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Law No. 17 of 2006 on Amendment To Law Number 10 of 1995 on Customs

Law No. 40 of 2007 on Limited Liability Companies

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Law No. 18 of 2012 on Food

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