

## INVESTMENT





## PROCOMER: The National Trade & Investment Promotion Agency of Costa Rica

## Who we are:

- Founded in 1996 to Promote Costa Rican Investment & Exports
- Manages Tax Incentives
- Focuses on Equal Opportunity & Well-being
- #1 Trade Promotion Organization for 8 Years Running
- Free of charge Services

## What we do

- Investment advisory
- Information on the business & regulatory environment
- Connections to relevant organizations in the investment ecosystem
- Support for investors, from set-up assistance to facilitation of incentives
- Introduction to strategic partners
- Aftercare services

#### ΕΒΕΑ: Εμπορική συνάντηση Ελλάδας Κόστα Ρίκα



Η πρώτη εμπορική συνάντηση <u>Ελλάδας</u> – <u>Κόστα Ρίκα</u> διεξήχθη τη Δευτέρα από το <u>Εμπορικό και</u> Βιομηγανικό Επιμελητήριο Αθηνών, σε συνεργασία με την κυρία Νταϊάνα Κορντέρο, εκπρόσωπο της κυβέρνησης της Κόστα Ρίκα σε θέματα εμπορίου.

Το ΕΒΕΑ εκπροσώπησε ο κ. Κούρταλης Ιωάννης, μέλος του διοικητικού συμβουλίου του ΕΒΕΑ, ο οποίος τόνισε ότι η Κόστα Ρίκα είναι μια ασφαλής, πλούσια και αναπτυμένη χώρα. Επίσης αναφέρθηκε το διμερές μας εμπόριο, το οποίο είναι ελλειμματικό για τη χώρα μας, κινούμενο σε χαμηλά επίπεδα, ωστόσο υπάρχουν σημαντικά περιθώρια ανάπτυξης σε πολλούς τομείς, πέραν των παραδοσιακών φρούτων - λαχανικών και καφέ.

Η Κόστα Ρίκα είναι ενα δημοκρατικό κράτος, με εξαιρετικές επιδόσεις και αλματώδη ανάπτυξη τα τελευταία χρόνια, στους τομείς των ανανεώσιμων πηγών ενέργειας, της αειφόρου ανάπτυξης και των εξαγωγών σε καφέ, κακάο, αγροτικά προϊόντα και ιατροφαρμακευτικό εξοπλισμό.

Η κυρία Κορντέρο, μέσα από μια σειρά παρουσιάσεων ανέδειξε τις μοναδικές εμπορικές ευκαιρίες που προσφέρει η Κοστα Ρίκα στους Έλληνες εμπόρους και επιχειρηματίες, στους παραπάνω τομείς. Επίσης, παρουσίασε το ισχύον ευνοϊκό καθεστώς για επενδύσεις στην Κόστα Ρίκα, στον τομέα του τουρισμού και της βιομηχανίας.

Στη συνάντηση παρεβρέθηκαν επίσης ο κ. Απόστολος Μιχαλόπουλος, διευθυντής της Διεύθυνσης Σχεδιασμού Εξωστρέφειας και Συντονισμού Φορέων Εξωστρέφειας του Υπουργείου Εξωτερικών, ο κ. Ιάσονας Πιτίνης, ειδικός σύμβουλος του πρωθυπουργού για θέματα Λατινικής Αμερικής, η κυρία Λίνα Λιογάρη απο την Enterprise Greece καθώς και πλήθος καλεσμένων.

Με την εμπορική αυτή συνάντηση, επισφραγίστηκε η έναρξη συνεργασίας, μεταξύ Ελλάδας και Κόστα



ΤΟΥΡΙΣΜΟΣ ΚΑΤΑΣΚΕΥΕΣ















ΚΟΣΤΑ ΡΙΚΑ – ΕΛΛΑΔΑ

#### ΕΜΠΟΡΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΑΝΤΗΣΗ ΜΕ ΚΑΛΟ ΚΑΦΕ

Το ενδιαφέρον των επικειρηματιών συγκέντρωσε η ενημερωτική συνάντηση "Doing Business in Costa Rica" από το EBEA και τον Οργανισμό Procomer Costa Rica, η οποία ολοκληρώθηκε με μια πρωτότυπη "ξενάγηση" στον καφέ της Κόστα Ρίκα από τον Παναγιώτη Νίκα (Coffeexpert – Barista Academy).

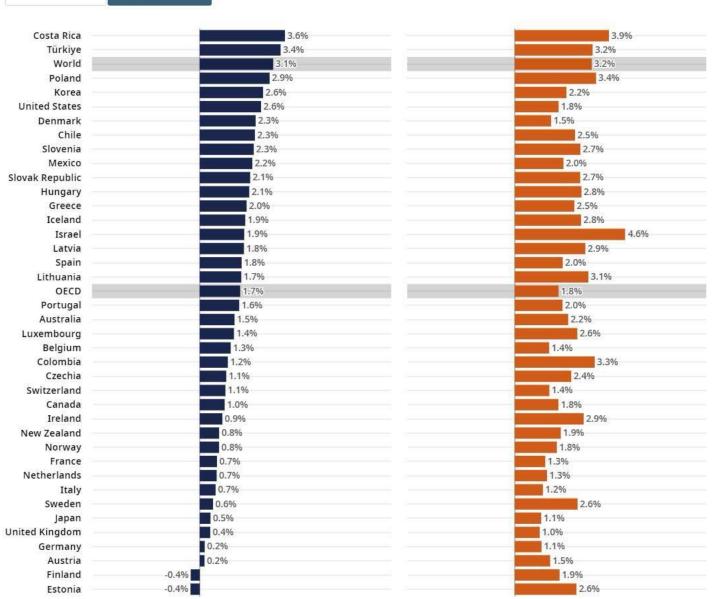
και η ώρα ζώνης της την κοθιστούν μια "γέφυρα" για το Καιφές με ονομασία προέλευσης

κώρος παρουσκάστηκον την Δευτέρο. 16 Μοΐου, στην Βarista Academy με οικοδεσπότη, τον Ποναγκύτη Νίκο





# GDP growth projections for 2024 and 2025 %, year-on-year G20 economies Costa Rica Türkiye World Poland Rorea 3.6% 3.4% 2.9% Korea 2.6%





# PIONEERS IN CONSCIOUS BUSINESS

~98%

Electricity comes from renewable sources

6.5%

Of the world's biodiversity

+30%

Of the country's territory is protected



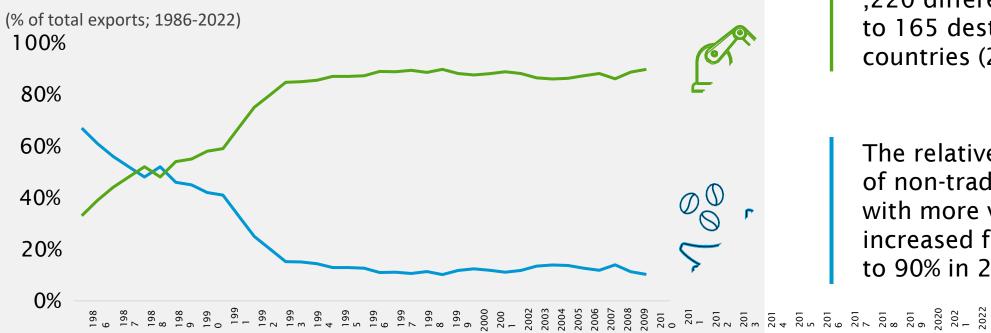


# COSTA RICA HAS TRANSFORMED ITS EXPORT STRUCTURE TOWARDS HIGHER VALUE ADDED



## Traditional vs Non-traditional Goods Exports

—Traditional



-Non-traditional

Costa Rica exports 4,220 different products to 165 destination countries (2022)

The relative share of exports of non-traditional goods, with more value added, has increased from 33% in 1986 to 90% in 2022

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Source: PROCOMER / Traditional exports include coffee, banana, beef and sugar











#1 EXPORTER OF
MEDICAL DEVICES PER
CAPITA AND 2<sup>ND</sup>
LARGEST IN LATAM

Presence of **7 global** cardiovascular leaders

Pharmaceuticals, Class I to Class III Medical Devices & Components, Biotech

#1 EXPORTER IN LATIN AMERICA OF HIGH-TECHNOLOGY GOODS

Aeronautics &
Aerospace
Smart & green vehicles
Electronics, Rocket
propulsion
+more

#1 EXPORTER OF GOLDEN PINEAPPLE AND #3 EXPORTER OF BANANA IN THE WORLD. (TRADEMAP, 2022)

Organic, natural, carbon neutral, superfoods, unique specialty food products.

Hosts **5 of the top 25** food processing

#1 IN HUMAN CAPITAL AND DIGITAL SKILLS OF POPULATION IN LATAM

450+ ITC COMPANIES, 22% specializing in 4.0 Technologies Multifunctiona & Multilingual

+70 different business processes: cloud computing, IoT data analytics

companies globali



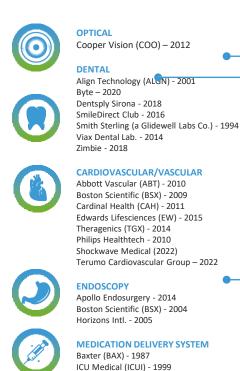


## +100 MedTech companies

have established manufacturing operations in 14 different subsectors

#### Sustained evolution of the industry.

- Talent development Technology transfer.
- Crosspollination between multinational
- and local companies.
- Productive linkages generation





Smiths & Nephew (SNN) - 2002 MicroPort - 2013 Stryker (Former Wright Medical) 2010 Medtronic - 2011 Riverpoint Medical - 2022

#### **NEUROENDOVASCULAR/ NEUROMODULATION**

Boston Scientific R&D - 2014 MicroVention - Terumo (TYO:4543) - 2011



Nevro - 2021

#### **PHARMA**

Bayer - 2021

#### **RESPIRATORY**

Philips Respironicsc - 2010

#### **AESTHETICS**

AbbVie (AABV) - 1999 Establishment Labs - 2009

#### **OSTOMY**

Coloplast (COLOB) - 2018

#### WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

Hologic (HOLX) - 2004 Cooper Medical - 2016

#### **RADIOLOGY**

Bayer (BAYN) - 2012

#### **SURGICAL DEVICES**

De Royal - 1996

#### **APHERESIS SYSTEMS**

Terumo BCT - 2021

























## **DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES HUB**

















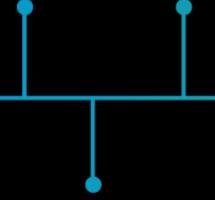
**BACK OFFICE**  ARQUITECTURE, **ENGINEERING** & DESIGN

**NETWORK** AND **TELECOMMUNICATIONS** 

IT **CONSULTING SERVICES** 

**GAME DEVELOPMENT** & ANIMATION

**CLOUD COMPUTING** 









**SALES SUPPORT OPERATION** 











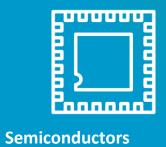


















# Costa Rica's Dynamic Advanced Manufacturing Ecosystem



**Telecommunications** 



**Electronics** 



**Aerospace** 



**Automotive** 









Gina Raimondo, United
States Secretary of
Commerce

"I believe that Costa Rica is the best place for large investments. The United States is eager to strengthen our semiconductor alliance because it is beneficial for both nations."

"There couldn't be a better time for Costa Rica to have such a comprehensive semiconductor strategy, Costa Rica's vision aligns perfectly with our unprecedented investments in the industry, poised to double in the next 5 to 10 years."





Costa Rica Unveils Latin
America's FIRST
Semiconductor
Ecosystem Enhancement
Roadmap

**01** Talent

Goal: Develop local talent and

attract foreign professionals. **Actions**: Expand programs, improve

English, attract specialists.

02 Incentives 2.0

**Goal**: Offer modern incentives to attract investment in R&D and startups.

**Actions**: Develop new incentives for R&D and FDI, promote startups.

03 Investment Attraction

Goal: Attract foreign investment in semiconductor assembly, testing, packaging, and design.
Actions: Run targeted campaigns, participate in fairs, support investors, promote Costa Rica as a destination, identify potential suppliers

Regulatory Improvement

**Goal**: Streamline processes to attract talent and facilitate trade.

**Actions**: Simplify procedures for chemicals, residency, intellectual property, and trade. Improve infrastructure and staffing at ports.

ITSI Fund: International Technology Security and Innovation Fund; which provides the U.S. Department of State with \$500 million (\$100 million per year over five years, starting in Fiscal Year 2023) to expand global semiconductor manufacturing.



## Costa Rica & Greece

FTA since 2013

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51.000 km<sup>2</sup>

**Extention** 

131.957 km<sup>2</sup>

5,09 millons

**Population** 

10,7 millons

89°

**World importer** 

**51°** 

91°

**World exporter** 

64°

**FDI Summit & BTM** 

**Main Fairs** 

Foodexpo

**Embassy in Italy** 

Diplomatic Representation

**Embassy in Panamá** 



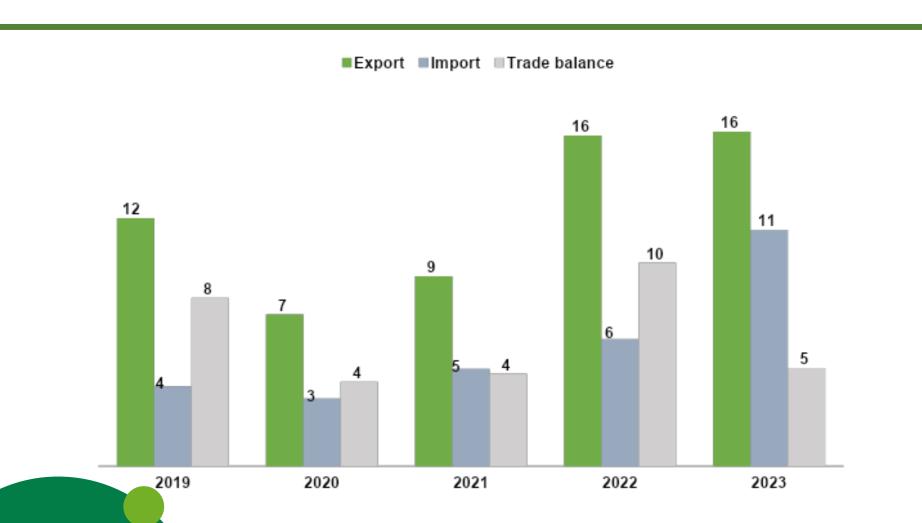
## Trade Profile Costa Rica & Greece





## Trade Costa Rica-Greece, 2019-2023(USD

Million)



COMPOUND ANNUAL GROWTH

(2019-2023)

**Export: +8%** 

**Import: +31%** 

NUMBER OF EXPORTING COMPANIES 2023

**32** 

(>= USD 12.000)

QUANTITY OF PRODUCTS
EXPORTED 2023

18

(> USD 200)

Source: PROCOMER y BCCR.



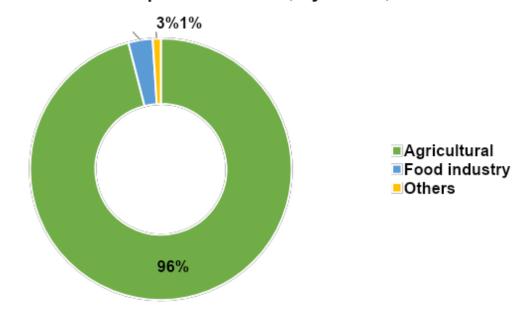




## Trade Costa Rica-Greece, 2023

(SECTOR AND MAIN POINTS OF ENTRY)





## MAIN POINTS OF ENTRY (2023)

81% PIRAEUS
19% THESSALONIKI

Fuente: PROCOMER.







(% share by product)

#### **MAIN EXPORTED PRODUCTS (2023)**



Pineapple 38%

Banana 29%



Green coffee 24%

Other frozen fruits 5%



Fuente: PROCOMER y BCCR.

### MAIN IMPORTED PRODUCTS (2023)



Other ships for transport 50%

Medicines 10%





Prepared or preserved tropical fruit mixtures 6%

Prepared or preserved peaches 4%



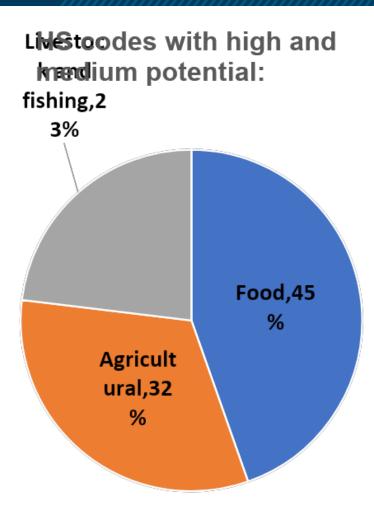




## Products with potential in the agri-food sector

## Potential products are determined by

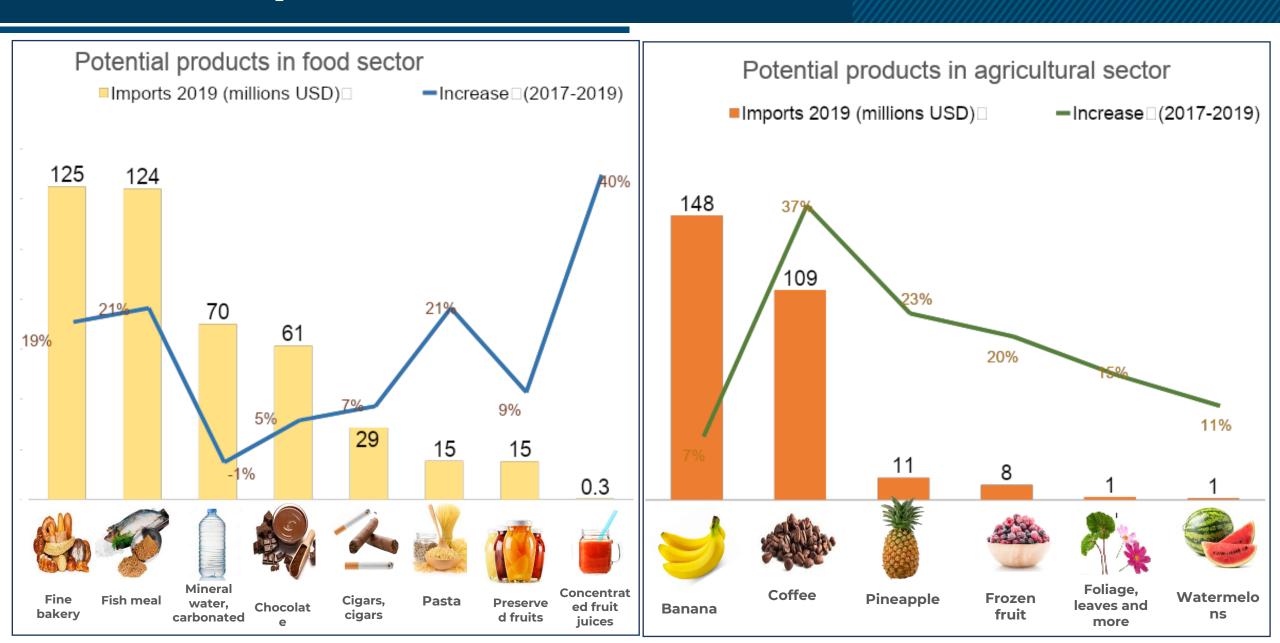
- High demand in Greece, approximated by the value of imports in the last five years.
- High dynamism of demand in Greece, approximated by the growth in the value of imports in the last five years
- Growth of Costa Rica's supply, approximated by the growth of CR



65 lines tariffs

**EXPORTS**Source: PROCOMFR

## Potential products in Greek market



## Logistics Analysis Costa Rica - Greece



## Costa Rica has weekly departure frequencies from Moín

Port	Transit time
Piraeus	25 days
Thessaloniki	26 days

These are approximate delivery times since there are situations beyond the exporter, lack of equipment, saturated ports.

## The main transfer ports are

- · Manzanillo, Panama
- · Valletta, Malta
- Port Said, Egypt

## Shipping lines with service to































































































+350 GLOBAL COMPANIES CHOOSE COSTA RICA
TO

**ENHANCE THEIR GLOBAL OPERATIONS** 





































































## Costa Rica's Agritech Boom: Growing Companies YOU NEED TO KNOW















# COSTA

OFFERS FREE ZONE INCENTIVES
INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE GREATER
METROPOLITAN AREA

Income tax incentives for manufacturing & services projects





Minimum investment IN FIXED ASSETS: \$100.000 USD outside GMA \$150.000 USD inside GMA \$10.000.000 Mega projects

0% Income tax outside GMA 6% Income tax inside GMA 0% Income tax for Services Projects 0% Income tax for Mega Projects

Additional 8/12-year renewal may be granted if significant reinvestment is made (Article 20 bis)





100% exempt from customs duties (imports & exports).

100% exemption of VAT for local purchases.

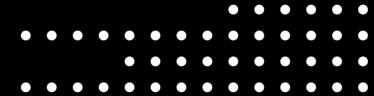
Exemption of remittance repatriation tax.

Exemption from municipality taxes (up to 10 years).

Exemption from property transfer tax (up to 10 years).

Special Social Security rates (outside GMA only)

Quicker proceedings





# OUR PEOPLE: THE FOUNDATION OF OUR ECONOMIC GROWTH

**DEMOGRAPHIC STATS** 

**POPULATION: 5.2 MILLION** 

50.4% 49.6%

25.6% from 0 to 17 years64.8% from 18 to 64 years9.6% +65 years

**LABOR FORCE:** 

2.2 MILLION

6.4% OF GDP IN EDUCATION

**5.6% OF GDP IN** 

**HEALTHCARE EDUCATION** 

**FREE AND** 

**MANDATORY SINCE 1870** 

**98%** LITERACY RATE



## JUNE 11-12, 2024 DAY 1: SPEAKERS



**Manuel Tovar**Ministry of Foreign Trade



**Laura López** CEO, PROCOMER

#### **TOPICS**

- Latest trends in FDI.
- Artificial Intelligence: Ethics and why it matters.
- Sustainability, Climate Change, and the intersection with manufacturing.
- Touristic Infrastructure: Where is Costa Rica heading?



Priscila Chaves
Innovation & Ecosystem Lead
at Cargill



Alex Irwin-Hunt
Global Markets Editor at
fDi Intelligence



Marci Zaroff
CEO ECOfashion Corp

## DAY

2:

## CUSTOMIZED AGENDAS:

- Visits to free trade zone parks.
- Benchmark meetings with multinational companies.
- Sessions with academic institutions.
- Personalized advisory sessions with legal and tax experts.

More speakers will be announced next week!







## SUSTAINABILITY SHAPES BUSINESS

September 10-12, 2024

### **REGISTRATION OPEN:**

https://brs.btmcr.com/login





