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Belgium



Our clients know what they want to achieve. We know how to get there. Working with some of the sharpest minds in corporate law and finance, we pull together the right blend of services to suit each client's unique situation. With an international network of experts and a rich history in the financial world, we have the people and knowledge to help you succeed. Partnership, premium quality and personal attention. That's how we've remained a leader in Trust and Corporate Services since 1952.

The Belgium office is situated at the capital of Europe Brussels, which is home to the European Commission and the council of ministers of the European Union. It is known for its international community and atmosphere. In line with its international focus Belgium offers an attractive tax and legal environment to set up international structures.

Our focus is on the culture, language, jurisdiction and the personal and legal environment of our clients and advisors. Tailor made solutions are implemented to optimise capital gains, dividends, royalties, financing, asset restructuring, estate planning and portfolio structuring.

The office provides a complete range of management services for both international corporate and private clients. Reflecting Belgium's status as a financial centre, Belgian law provides for several legal and tax measures to encourage foreign investments in Belgium. These include the deemed interest deduction on equity (capital retained earnings) – known as Notional Interest Deduction – applicable to both Belgian and foreign companies with a taxable presence in Belgium. More over the exemption of registration duty on capital contributions reduces the cost of equity investing in Belgium.

The main benefits of a Belgium holding company are:

- > 95% exemption from Belgium corporate income tax on dividend income received from qualifying subsidiaries;
- > Financial charges are tax deductible and no general debt/equity ratio is required;
- > 100% exemption on capital gains realized on the sale of qualifying shares;
- > Benefits from extensive tax treaty network.

Services available from Intertrust Belgium include:

- > Codeveloping international (corporate) structures;
- > Coordinating client affairs within the network, upon advise of tax and legal counsel;
- > Establishing contact with our international network to set up legal structures in other jurisdictions;
- > Formation of Belgium companies;
- > Providing for a (fully dressed) registered office address;
- > Acting as managing director, director or manager;
- > Handling administration and preparation annual accounts and interim reports and liaison with statutory auditor – if and when applicable;
- > Handling board and shareholders meetings;
- > Taking care of all local formalities, including prompt filing to keep the companies in good standing and comply with Belgium regulatory requirements.

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