

# "Diia City" – a special legal and tax regime for IT companies in Ukraine – is coming into play



#### 14 Aug 2021

Diia City Law (the Law "On Stimulation of the Development of the Digital Economy in Ukraine" No. 4303) comes in force

#### 1 Jan 2022

Diia City Tax Law (the Law "On Amendments to the Tax Code of Ukraine regarding the Stimulation of the Development of Digital Economyin Ukraine" No. 5376) to come in force

#### Goal

Creating favourable tax and legal conditions for tech companies operating in Ukraine

#### > 25 years

**Min term** of validity of the regime



Only companies registered in Ukraine may become residents meeting the criteria:

## €1200

min average monthly remuneration of employees / gig workers

## **IT** work

performance of ITrelated activities according to the list defined by the law

### >y specialists

min no. of employees or gig workers available at the end of each calendar month

## 90% of income

derived from IT-related activities



the company does not fall within a restricted category

## Possible options of workforce engagement





#### **GIG** contract

a mix of an employment contract and a services contract that provides social guarantees

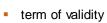
	Gig Contract	Services Agreement	Employment Agreement
Basis for regulation	Diia City Law	Civil Code of Ukraine	Labour Code of Ukraine
Form	Can be concluded in electronic form subject to compliance with the Law of Ukraine "On Electronic Trust Services"	Can be concluded in electronic form subject to compliance with the Law of Ukraine "On Electronic Trust Services"	Printed written form is mandatory
Period of validity	Indefinite or set period of time	Set period of time	Employment contract – a set period of time; employment agreement – an indefinite period of time
Social guarantees	Sick leaves, vacations, maternity/paternity leaves, other social guarantees and insurance according to the Diia City Law	Not applicable	Sick leaves, vacations, maternity/paternity leaves, other social guarantees and social insurance according to Ukrainian labour legislation
Taxes	Diia City residents withhold 5% personal income tax (PIT) + 1.5% military lewy (ML) from the renumeration payable to gig workers, applicable to annual income up to EUR 240,000. Gig workers pay 18% PIT on their own with respect to amounts of annual income exceeding the limit.	A private entrepreneur (PE) is liable for their payment of taxes. If a PE is registered under the simplified system of taxation, (s)he pays either 5% single tax, or 3% single tax + registers as a VAT payer.	Diia City residents withhold 5% PIT + 1.5% ML from the salary payable to employees, applicable to annual income up to EUR 240,000. Employees pay 18% PIT on their own with respect to amounts of annual income exceeding the limit.
Unified social contribution (USC)	Diia City residents pay minimum USC irrespective of the amount of the renumeration payable to gig workers.	PE pays minimum USC on his/her own.	Diia City residents pay minimum USC, irrespective of the amount of the salary payable to employees.

## Non-disclosure and non-compete agreements





- in writing
- compensation is optional



scope of information not to be disclosed

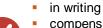




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- compensation is mandatory
- term (maximum duration of 12 months upon termination of relations)
- territory
- exhaustive list of competitive activities
- compensation for noncompete

#### Other novelties





Debt for equity swap



Warranties and compensation for misrepresentation



Additional regulation for put/call option agreements



Executive body of Diia City resident - individual or legal entity



Ability to subject Shareholders Agreement to foreign law

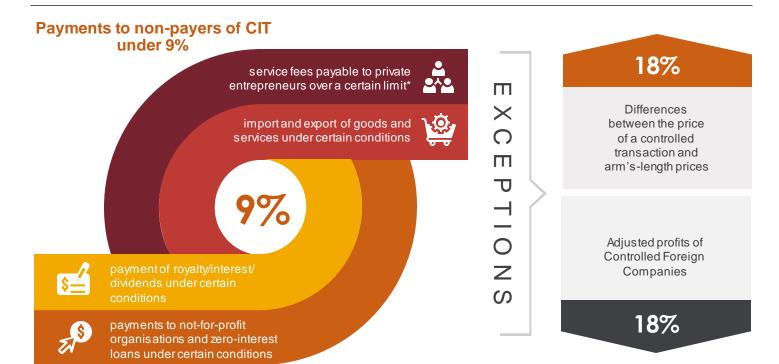
## Diia City tax regime

subject to tax adjustments if applicable



a type of exit capital tax .

CIT 18% based on volumes of certain transactions • currently existing corporate income tax with non-payers of CIT under 9% standard rate of 18% based on profits

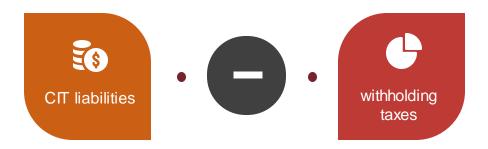


<sup>\*</sup> This operation is exempt from taxation until 2024 and has transition period during 2024

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#### **Reduction of CIT liabilities**





The Diia City Tax Draft Law allows Diia City residents to reduce their CIT liabilities on the amounts of withholding taxes arising on transactions subject to CIT.

#### Individual taxes



Progressive personal income tax on salary/remuneration:



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