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### **BACKGROUND : PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **1995 – 2009** :

Deputy Director and Acting Director / Foreign Investment Department (Governmental organization in charge of promoting foreign investments toward Morocco ; currently Moroccan Agency for Investment Development – AMDI)

#### **2009 – 2013** :

Marketing and Business Development Director /Tanger Mediterranean Special Agency (State-owned agency in charge of the development and the management of Tanger Med Port and Free Zones in Tangier Region)

#### Since May 2013:

Managing Director / Midparc- Casablanca Free Zone (Free industrial zone near Casablanca airport dedicated to added value industrial sectors)



## **UNIDO ITPO TOKYO COOPERATION**

- Delegate Program : 1997, 1998, 2004 and 2010
- Follow-up Delegate Program : 2001, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2011 and 2012
- More than 20 "Morocco Investment Seminars" in Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya
- Several Round Table Meetings in other cities (Yokohama, Hiroshima, Kobe,
  - Nagano, Gifu...)
- More than 200 Individual meetings
- Several Japanese Business missions to Morocco co-organized with UNIDO/JETRO/JCCME



#### **CHALLENGE : GATEWAY FOR EUROPE AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST**

## 1997 : - No Japanese industry and manufacturing companies in Morocco - Presence of Trading Houses and Fishing companies

First Step : General presentation of the Economic (investment and business) environment) in Morocco; Focus of structural reforms and infrastructure programs

Second Step : Understanding of the Moroccan market as well as the opportunities offered by FTAs agreements signed by Morocco with EU, USA, Turkey and Arab countries

Third Step : Presentation of several development plans : industry (automotive) and energy (renewable energy)

2013 : More than 20 production units in automotive, electronics, agroindustry, pharmaceutical, textile accessories, energy production creating almost 30,000 jobs



### MAIN ACHIEVEMENT

AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY :

-YAZAKI CORPORATION : 3 Wire Harness production unit, One under project ; more than 50 Million USD of Investment and 7,000 employees

-SUMITOMO ELECTRIC INDUSTRY : 7 wire harness production units ; more than 150 million USD of investment and 16,000 employees

-DENSO : Production unit for AC systems (Automotive); 15 Millions USD of investment and 100 employees

-TAKATA : Production of Security systems (Automotive): 7 million USD and 300 employees

-MITSUI & Co : Participation in a JV to set up a thermal power plant and a wind power unit <sup>5</sup>







**VUE PERSPECTIVE SUR PARVIS D'ACCUEIL** 

