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Overview of Lao Gold Market



AIFS Precious Metal Import – Export Service Co., Ltd
(AIF Gold)

General Information



Lao PDR

COUNTRY AT A GLANCE



Population	6.802 million	2015
GDP	\$12.37 billion	2015
GDP growth	7.4%	2015
Inflation	1.5%	2016

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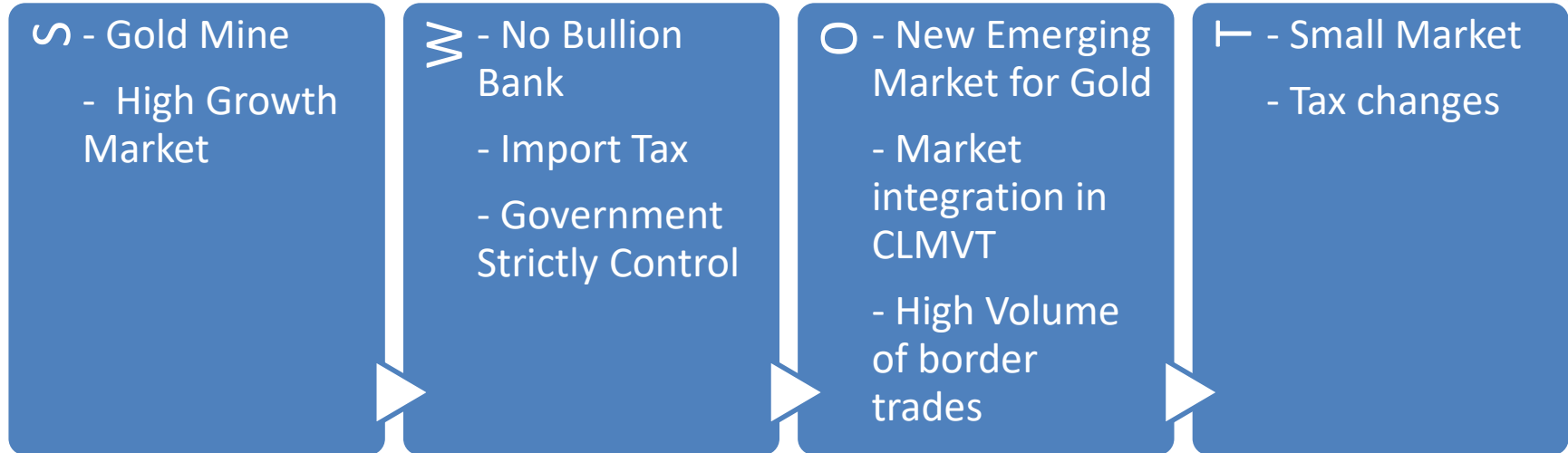
Lao PDR is one of the fastest growing economies in East Asia and the Pacific. It has improved access to electricity, schools, roads, and has become an important energy exporter. [Read Overview »](#)

- Gold is used as a traditional savings mechanism, unit account for transaction, hedge against the depreciation of Lao currency.
- Consumptions Gold Volume 2016 – 10 Tonnes.
- Gold as Investment and Trading 2016 – 8 Tonnes.
- The distribution of gold demand according to our estimation is as follows:
 - Store of wealth 60 percent
 - Jewellery 35 percent
 - Industry 5 percent

- Gold Price in Laos is closely reflect on the fluctuation of the lao world gold market
- Gold Infrastructure trading provided by AIF Gold is well developed
- **The import and export of Gold is strictly control by Government, and there is 10 percent import tax and 10 percent valued added tax imposed on gold Importation**

- The Lao Government encourage the foreign and local investment in mining sectors.
 - reserves of **gold**, copper and zinc were assessed at about 500 to 600 tons, 8 to 10 million tons, and 2 to 3 million tons respectively
 - Currently, there are 4 major gold mining operation in Laos and more than 30 small mining operation, with the total production capacity of more than 40 tonnes per year.

SWOT OF LAO Gold Market



- AIF Gold is currently the only active and licensed Company to import and distribute the Gold in Laos.
- AIF Gold is only the active and licensed to provide gold trading and investment platform for investor to trade on gold.
- Currently, AIF Gold is only the company is allowed to be trial for special lump sum tax payment for gold importation.
- AIF Gold is mandated to report regular on the Gold market transaction, and to give recommendation to the Government on how Government can facilitate the Gold Trading.

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