

Simplifying Employment Tasks Worldwide

## **Statutory Change Alert**

Saudi Arabia Grants Visa and Residency Permit Extensions



### **KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA**



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## We help you achieve your global ambitions

Thank you for trusting Mercans to outsource your HR and Payroll functions. We propose HR consulting services, actionable solutions, and cost-effective global payroll processing tools to energize your human capital management in real-time and augment your performance. We are dedicated to becoming your business growth facilitator.



**Global Payroll Solutions** – **Boost your HR brand and employee satisfaction** Rationalize your HR budgets, monitor your data, and optimize your global payroll tasks in real-time. Systematize processes and streamline HRM lifecycles with HR Blizz™, our unified SaaS platform, to ensure your employees are paid accurately and on time.



**PEO/GEO Services – Easily hire, deploy and manage your workforce abroad** A reliable Professional Employer Organization (PEO), Mercans is your trusted employer of record to globally select, engage, and manage highly-qualified personnel on your behalf, through integrated Global Employment Outsourcing (GEO).



**Global Talent Acquisition – Quickly fill vacancies with only the best candidates** Mercans supports you in designing/deploying long-term HR strategies and processing fullcycle recruitment. Our ATS Suite Mesaar<sup>™</sup> and our hiring experts help to screen, select, attract the right candidates for your organization, and populate your pipeline of prequalified talents.



## BPO Services – Reclaim the focus on your core activities to expand your business

Concentrate on the essentials: outsource non-primary activities and your front- and backoffice functions to Mercans. Save the time, money, and energy needed to refine the value chain engagement of your customers and suppliers, and increase revenue.



#### HR Management SaaS – Access customizable cloud-based online platforms

Centralize your HR function on an all-in-one user-friendly and self-service platform. Combined with the expertise of our consultants, the Mesaar SaaS offers a built-in applicant tracking system and easy-integration features to improve internal processes.



#### Local Statutory Compliance – Forget the hassle of setting up branches abroad

Mercans seasoned HR advisory team are compliance experts specialized in local cultures, business protocols, and tax and legal specificities. They are committed to ensure quick go-to-market abroad and achieve a compliant global expansion, risk-free from A to Z.



## Mercans at a Glance

<b>140+</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>500+</b>
Countries	Years of Success	Specialists
<b>5k+</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>1.5X</b>
Customers Worldwide	Client Retention Rate	Annual Revenue Growth
<b>25k+</b> Largest Single Country Payroll	<b>2.5M+</b> Pay Slips per Annum	<b>O</b> Security Breaches

**Number one** for outsourced payroll services, we are endorsed by international authorities.





Mercans has the highest industry quality and IT security certifications.





# Saudi Arabia – visas and Iqamas extended due to COVID-19.

On 5 July 2020, the Ministry of Interior for Saudi Arabia announced the below exemptions and extension for visas and residency permits for expatriates:

- Free of charge extension of final exit visas.
- Free of charge 3-months extension of the validity of expired Residence Permits (Iqamas) for expats who are outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on exit and return visas that expired during the period of suspension of entry and exit from Saudi Arabia.
- Free of charge 3-months extension of the validity of unused exit and return visas with exit or return dates falling to the suspension period of entry and exit from Saudi Arabia.
- Free of charge 3-months extension of the validity of the exit and return visas for all expatriates who are outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and whose exit and return visas expired during the period of suspension of entry and exit from Saudi Arabia.
- Free of charge 3-months extension of Residence Permits (Iqamas) for expatriates who are inside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and arrived on a visit visa that ends during the period of suspension of entry and exit from Saudi Arabia.

Please contact Mercans' Saudi Arabia team at info@mercans.com for any additional information regarding the above statutory changes.



## **They already trust Mercans**





# What Makes Mercans your HR and Payroll Partner of Choice?

### We Simplify Employment Tasks Worldwide

### **Everywhere for Everyone**

We are a borderless people engagement enabler, driven by technology and innovation. We deliver bespoke human capital management services and global payroll solutions to empower businesses across 110+ countries regardless of their organizations' size and their industry. We pride ourselves on being global people experts with a striking local presence, committed to making your teams happy, and ensuring the consistent and sustainable growth of your organization.

### Local Presence. Regional Strategy. Global Success

Supported by 500+ payroll and HR specialists with in-depth local knowledge, Mercans operate globally. Our pioneering human resources consulting services and trailblazing SaaS platforms are already satisfying 5,000+ international clients, ensuring timely measurable results and bottom-line savings. Thanks to success-oriented teams striving for excellence and taking care of our clients' tasks within budget, we have gained the trust of major multinational companies.

### A Revolutionary Service Delivery System

Say goodbye to third-party service providers, offshore call centers, fragmented data, and endless chains of sub-contracts.

Mercans cloud-based SaaS Products, HR Blizz<sup>™</sup> & Mesaar<sup>™</sup>, combine the performance of proprietary technologies with a human touch. Cost-effective, they are fully-compliant self-service tools, packed with smart built-in features for your peace of mind. All your data are integrated into single interfaces accessible from everywhere and on any device.

### **Trailblazing Cloud-Based SaaS Products**

HR Blizz & Mesaar, our Software-as-a-Service platforms, both propose a preconfigured API integration capability with all the major global HRMS platforms, including SuccessFactors, Workday, Oracle HCM, and MS Dynamics. All Mercans systems and processes are GDPR compliant, ISO 9001, 20000, 27001 certified, and SOC 1 and SOC 2 audited. A registered Finpro expert, Mercans is also a member of the Global Payroll Association and the Global Payroll Management Institute.



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