

Bankruptcy Cases in Israel Rose by 9% During 2022, Worsen in 2023

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PETAH TIKVA, ISRAEL, October 9, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In the wake of a tumultuous economic period, Israel has witnessed a concerning uptick in bankruptcy cases throughout 2022, with a 9% increase signaling distress across various industry sectors.

The pervasive issue, transcending sectorial boundaries, has enveloped real estate, high-tech, and even defense companies, painting a stark picture of the nation's economic health.

The insolvency crisis, as experts and insiders elucidate, is not merely a reflection of individual company mismanagement but is symptomatic of broader, systemic issues permeating the Israeli business landscape.

A confluence of factors, including the rise in interest rates, the COVID-19 pandemic, and pervasive negative market sentiment, has coalesced to create a challenging environment for businesses of all sizes and sectors.

The real estate sector, traditionally reliant on loans and financial institutions to breathe life into its projects, has been particularly hard hit.

With the Bank of Israel's interest rate experiencing a significant hike from nearly zero to 4.75% within a span of a year and a half, previously optimistic forecasts by developers have been rendered obsolete.

This lethal combination of soaring financing expenditure and a sharp decline in project demand, spurred by interest rate and inflation hikes, has made navigating the cash flow challenge particularly arduous.

Moreover, the high-tech sector, typically buoyed by investment during its nascent stages, has been stymied by a halt in investment, attributed to the prevailing legal situation in the country.

The legal upheaval, regardless of one's stance on it, has undeniably dampened investment in the sector, further exacerbating the economic strain.

In light of these challenges, legal experts and insolvency professionals have become pivotal in navigating the complex terrain of bankruptcy and insolvency proceedings.

Firms like [Nissim Shoresh Law Firm](#), while not the focal point of this crisis, play a crucial role in providing legal guidance and support to companies embroiled in these financial predicaments.

Their expertise in insolvency law becomes particularly pertinent as businesses from various sectors seek to navigate through the legal and financial maelstrom.

Despite the gloomy outlook, some experts perceive a silver lining amidst the economic turmoil. The current environment is facilitating a market “clean out” of companies that, while managing to sustain themselves thus far, are now exposed and reaching a point of insolvency.

This, coupled with a surge in merger and acquisition activities, particularly within the local market, is creating new opportunities and pathways for business operations and investments.

As Israel grapples with this economic conundrum, the collective efforts of businesses, legal experts, and policymakers will be paramount in forging a path forward, mitigating further financial fallout, and ensuring the stability and resilience of the nation’s economic future.

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