

### COMMERCIAL PACKAGE ACTIVE ENTERPRISE

Unlock the benefits of the DIFC Active Enterprise, a unique and attractive company structure that includes an option to have employees.

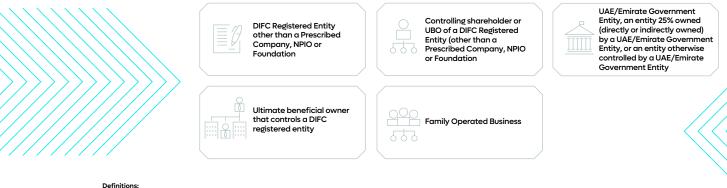
# Flexible and easy-to-use structures offered by the region's leading financial centre.



- → Option to have employees: In the case that the Active Enterprise or its affiliate has an office in the DIFC.
- → Reduced licensing fees: : USD 100 Application Fee (one time) and an annual commercial licence fee of USD 1000 (Data protection fees USD 750 - if applicable)
- → Flexible registered address: An Active Enterprise can have its own DIFC office space, co-working desk, share office space with its DIFC affiliate or, if the entity has no employees, use an appointed corporate service provider's registered address in DIFC.
- → Common law jurisdiction with independent DIFC Courts
- → Quick and easy, fully digital registration process: In-principal approval may be granted within three business days from the application submission.
- → No attestation required for corporate document
- → Globally competitive and attractive tax regime
- → Zero currency restrictions and 100% foreign ownership
- → Zero restrictions on capital repatriation

# Who can establish an Active Enterprise?

An Active Enterprise is a private company which can be established by a Qualifying Applicant:



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#### Government entity:

- a. the Federal Government, the government of Dubai or the government of any Emirate;
   b. a person in which a government entity listed in (a) above owns (directly or
- b. a person in which a government entity listed in (a) above owns (directly or indirectly) an interest of at least twenty five percent (25%) (or such other percentage approved by the Board of Directors of DIFCA); or is otherwise Controlled by a government entity listed in (a) above.

Family Operated Business with a large presence in the UAE: means a business that meets the definition of a Family under the Family Arrangement Regulations and has a large presence in the UAE, that meets at least 2 of the following criteria:

- total asset value of at least USD10 million;
  at least 100 employees;
- at least 30,000 sq. ft. of space in the UAE (including offices, retail, schools, manufacturing, etc.); or
  all the shareholders are UAE nationals or the common ancestor for the business is a UAE national.

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# What business activities can an Active Enterprise carry out?

The Active Enterprise can be used for Holding Companies, Managing Office and/or Proprietary Investment activities





#### Two easy steps to start setting up your business



#### APPLY FOR INITIAL APPROVAL

An application for initial approval is completed through DIFC portal. Information required will vary depending on the qualifying requirement.



#### SUBMIT REQUIREMENTS

Following receipt of initial approval, there are requirements which need to be completed to register the legal entity.



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