

DIFC – A global hub for corporates

Manage your regional presence from DIFC



Join the #1 global financial centre in the Middle East, Africa and South Asia (MEASA) region

- World-class legal and regulatory framework.
- Globally competitive and attractive tax regime.
- 100 per cent foreign ownership and no restriction on currency or capital repatriation.
- Strategic location and access to regional and global markets.
- State-of-the-art business infrastructure and lifestyle destination.
- Global talent hub used by 46,000+ professionals from 150+ nationalities.
- 6,900+ active firms.
- 900+ DFSA regulated and supervised entities.

Achieve regional and global success with DIFC's world-class growth platform for corporates

Establishing in DIFC enables corporates to centralise, manage and consolidate their business activities to gain a competitive advantage by reducing operating costs.

A wide range of corporate structures to choose from

 Managing Offices	 Proprietary Investment Entities	 Holding Companies	 Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) <small>also known as DIFC Prescribed Companies</small>	 Active Enterprises
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#1 global financial centre in MEASA

#1 green financial centre in MEASA

#1 city in region for sustainable finance and responsible investing

- International standards for netting and insolvency laws.
- Industry collaboration through Dubai Sustainable Finance Working Group, a DIFC-chaired initiative.
- Advance your innovation agenda with the support of the DIFC Venture Studios and FinTechs in the DIFC Innovation Hub.

Dubai in Global Financial Centre Index rankings vs. other MEASA cities.

Two easy steps to start setting up your corporate presence

1 APPLY FOR INITIAL APPROVAL An application for initial approval is completed through DIFC portal. Information required will vary depending on the qualifying requirement.	2 REGISTER WITH DIFC Once Initial Approval application is submitted you may proceed with filling out the Register with DIFC application to speed up your onboarding process. However, please note that you can only submit it after the Initial Approval has been granted.
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