

DIFC – A global hub for family businesses to access growth opportunities



DIFC – The top choice for creating and preserving value for family businesses

- The region's most sophisticated financial centre for supporting family businesses.
- Flexible range of company structures.
- World-class legal and regulatory framework.
- Globally competitive and attractive tax regime.
- Zero currency restrictions and 100% foreign ownership.
- Zero restrictions on capital repatriation.
- Strategic location and access to regional and global markets.
- State-of-the-art business infrastructure and lifestyle destination.
- Global talent hub, a modern and safe environment used by 36,000+ professionals from 150+ nationalities.
- 4300+ firms.
- 600+ financial-regulated firms.

Future-proofing family businesses

DIFC is home to experts who serve and advise family businesses on their succession planning, corporate governance, investment opportunities and tax advisory.

Services include:

- DIFC Family Wealth Centre.
- Succession planning advisers.
- Lawyers and advisers.
- Wealth and asset managers.
- Private equity specialists.
- Captive insurers and Islamic finance experts.
- Treasury experts.
- Capital markets.
- International tax advisers.
- Corporate financiers.



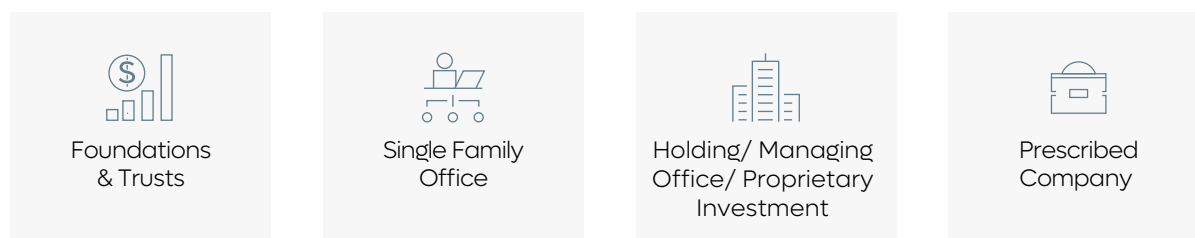
Robust legal and regulatory framework paving the way for growth opportunities

DIFC regulations, such as the DIFC Family Arrangements Regulations, provide a comprehensive framework that will allow clients to operate with confidence, knowing that their interests are protected by the highest level of legal and regulatory oversight.

Key benefits include:

- Wealth preservation through succession and legacy planning.
- Benefit from certification and accreditation programmes for family businesses and their advisers in DIFC.
- Incentives planned for family businesses in the UAE under the UAE Family Business Law.

Flexible options for family businesses to set up in DIFC



#1 global financial centre

#1 green financial centre

#1 city in region for sustainable finance and responsible investing

- Engage in consultations on future legal and regulatory enhancements.
- Company structures (Prescribed Company regime) for structured transactions.
- 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

Licensing process

- 1 Submit letter of intent. [Click Here](#)
- 2 Process application and obtain in-principle approval.
- 3 Register your entity.

