

# 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 that ensures unparalleled access to regional and global markets.
- State-of-the-art business infrastructure and lifestyle destination.
- Global talent hub, with over 46,000+ professionals from 150+ nationalities.
- Home to 800 family related entities.

## 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.
- Wealth and asset managers.
- Islamic finance experts.
- Captive insurers.
- 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 Family Arrangements Regulations, provide a comprehensive framework enabling clients to operate confidently under a robust legal and regulatory system that ensures their interests are protected.

### Key benefits include:

- Wealth preservation through succession and legacy planning.
- Benefit from accreditation programmes for 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 in MEASA

**#1** green financial centre in MEASA

**#1** city in the 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

## Two easy steps to start setting up your company

