

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



Benefit from a future-focused platform

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global financial centre in MEASA

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green financial centre in MEASA

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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

