Dubai Advantage Conference

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## Welcome

Alison Henderson, CEO

Dundee and Angus Chamber of Commerce













# Speaker 1

Ibrahim Ahli, Director of Investment Promotion & Attraction Dubai FDI



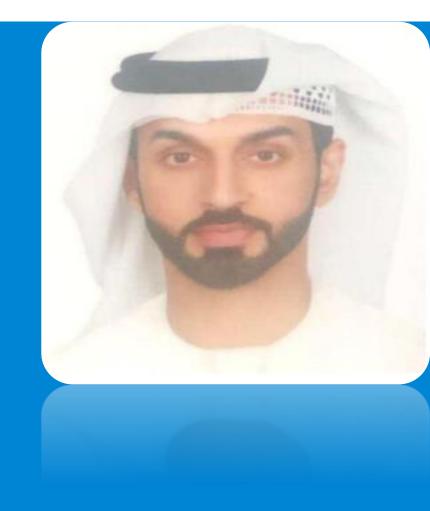






# Speaker 3

Walid Abdulla Marhoon,
Senior Manager Investment Promotion & Attraction
Dubai FDI









# DUBAIADVANTAGE

Where Global Investors & Entrepreneurs
Shape The Future





## **DUBAITHECITY**

#### **ECONOMIC DIVERSITY**

28.9%

OTHER

11.8%

FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

6.3%

**REAL ESTATE** 

9.7%

STORAGE AND TRANSPORTATION



9.4%

**MANUFACTURING** 

6.8%

CONSTRUCTION

24.7%

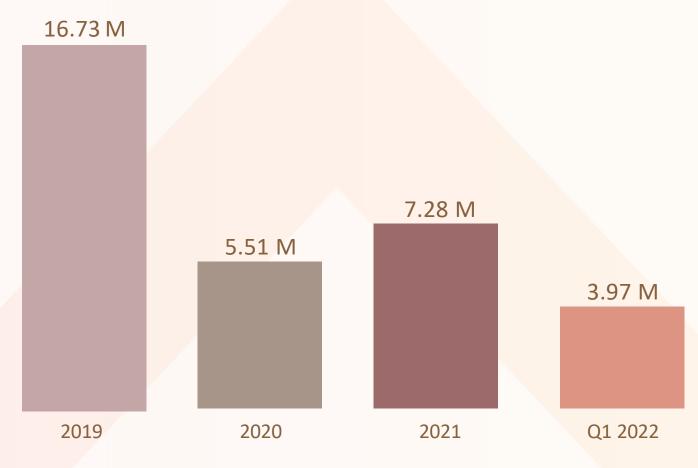
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE

2.4%

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICE ACTIVITIES

#### **OPPORTUNITIES | TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY**





SOURCE: DTCM



**DUBAITHEGATEWAY** 

#### **DUBAI ADVANTAGE | LOCATION**

## DUBAI OCCUPIES A UNIQUE LOCATION IN THE WORLD

2.4

BILLION CONSUMERS
DIRECT MARKET IN MIDDLE
EAST, INDIAN SUB CONTINENT
AND EAST AFRICA



#### **OPPORTUNITIES | AVIATION AND CONNECTIVITY**



519,555

CARGO THROUGH DXB TO in Q1 2022

Source: Dubai Airports



+141

AIRLINES DIRECTLY
CONNECTING DUBAI
TO +265 DESTINATIONS



+8,000

WEEKLY FLIGHTS THROUGH DUBAI AIRPORTS



**DUBAITHEHUB** 

#### **EXPO 2020 DUBAI**



#### **EXPO 2020 DUBAI**

01 OCTOBER 2021 THROUGH 31 MARCH 2022



#### **FIRST TIME**

WORLD EXPO TO BE HOSTED IN MEASA REGION



#### **THEME**

'CONNECTING MINDS CREATING THE FUTURE'



24.1M

**VISITS TO THE EVENT** 



**SUB-THEMES** 

MOBILITY SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITY

## **OPPORTUNITIES | AVIATION AND**

#### CONNECTIVITY



29.1M

IN 2021 A YoY GROWTH OF 12.7% 13.6 M

IN Q1 2022, COMPARED TO 5.7M IN Q1 2021

Source: Dubai Airports, Dubai Statistics Center

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**



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# DUBAI'S INFRASTRUCTURE IS NEW,

MODERN AND GROWING ALL THE TIME



## **Dh100 BN**

DUBAI HAS INVESTED DHS 100BN ON ROADS AND TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE



346M

PUBLIC TRANSPORT PASSENGERS IN 2020



90 KM

LONGEST DRIVERLESS METRO IN THE WORLD, WITH 421KM PLANNED FOR 2030



1st

IN MENA ON THE ECONOMICS METRIC IN INFRASTRUCTURE ACCORDING TO KEARNEY'S 2020 GLOBAL CITIES INDEX

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**



461M

RIDERS USED PUBLIC, SHARED TRANSPORT AND TAXIS IN 2021, COMPARED TO 346M RIDERS IN 2020



156.6M

METRO & TRAM
PASSENGERS
IN 2021



177.6M

PASSENGERS (DUBAI TAXI, HALA TAXI, AND FRANCHISE TAXI IN 2021

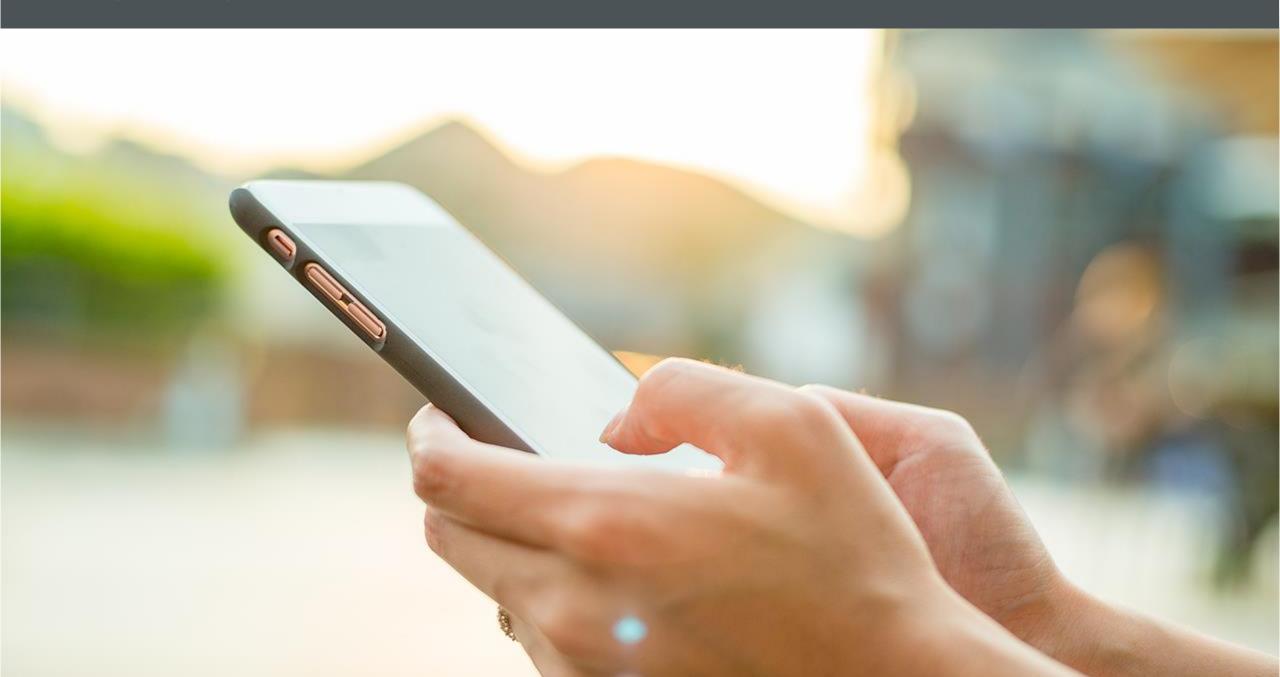


116.3M

PUBLIC BUS
PASSENGERS
IN 2021

Source: RTA & Dubai Statistics Center

## **SMART CITY**



#### FORWARD | SMART GOVERNMENT

#### TO MAKE DUBAI THE HAPPIEST CITY ON EARTH





#### FORWARD | SMART GOVERNMENT

#### DUBAI BLOCKCHAIN STRATEGY

ELIMINATES

100 MILLION ANNUAL PAPER
TRANSACTIONS
SAVING \$1.5 BILLION
ANNUALLY IN DOCUMENT
PROCESSING ALONE

THE WORLD'S FIRST-EVER
GOVERNMENT TO EXECUTE ALL
APPLICABLE TRANSACTIONS USING
BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY IN
2020

#### **STRATEGY GOAL**

DUBAI WILL BE THE FIRST
BLOCKCHAIN POWERED
GOVERNMENT
DRIVING THE FUTURE
ECONOMY

#### OPPORTUNITIES | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



2.1M

FIXED LINES IN ICT INFRASTRUCTURE IN MARCH 2021



17 M

ACTIVE MOBILE SUBSCRIPTIONS
IN MARCH 2021



\$4.8BN

IN TECHNOLOGY IOT
(INTERNET OF
THINGS) CONTRIBUTE TO
DUBAI'S ECONOMY IN 2020



ENACTED IN 2015 TO IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY OF DATA AND ENCOURAGE INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN SMART SERVICES

**SOURCE: TDRA** 

#### FORWARD | ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

AI TO ADD \$182B
TO UAE ECONOMY BY 2035

\$37B

FINANCIAL SERVICE SECTOR

\$22B

**HEALTHCARE SECTOR** 

\$19B

TRANSPORT STORAGE SEGMENTS

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
WILL IMPACT 15 SECTORS
IN THE UAE

\$8B

CONSTRUCTION SECTOR

\$6B

**EDUCATION SECTOR** 

## **TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY**



#### **OPPORTUNITIES | TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY**



120

CONFERENCES, MEETINGS AND INCENTIVE TRAVEL PROGRAMS HELD SUCCESSFULLY IN DUBAI IN 2021



1<sup>st</sup>

ON TRIPADVISOR
TRAVELLERS' CHOICE
AWARDS FOR BEST GLOBAL
DESTINATION

#### **OPPORTUNITIES | TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY**

#### STAY CAPACITY

AND OCCUPANCY RATES



3.97 M

HOTEL/HOTEL
APARTMENT GUESTS
OCCUPYING 10.22M
ROOM NIGHTS
Q1 2022





140,192

TOTAL AVAILABLE ROOMS IN Q1 2022, 10% INCREASE FROM SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR

#### RETAIL



#### OPPORTUNITIES | RETAIL

#### **DUBAI FIRST**

FOR INTERNATIONAL RETAILER PRESENCE



8%

INCREASE IN THE AVERAGE SPENDS PER PERSON BY TOURISTS IN RETAIL DATA - Q3 2020

AHMED AL KHAJA, CEO (DFRE)



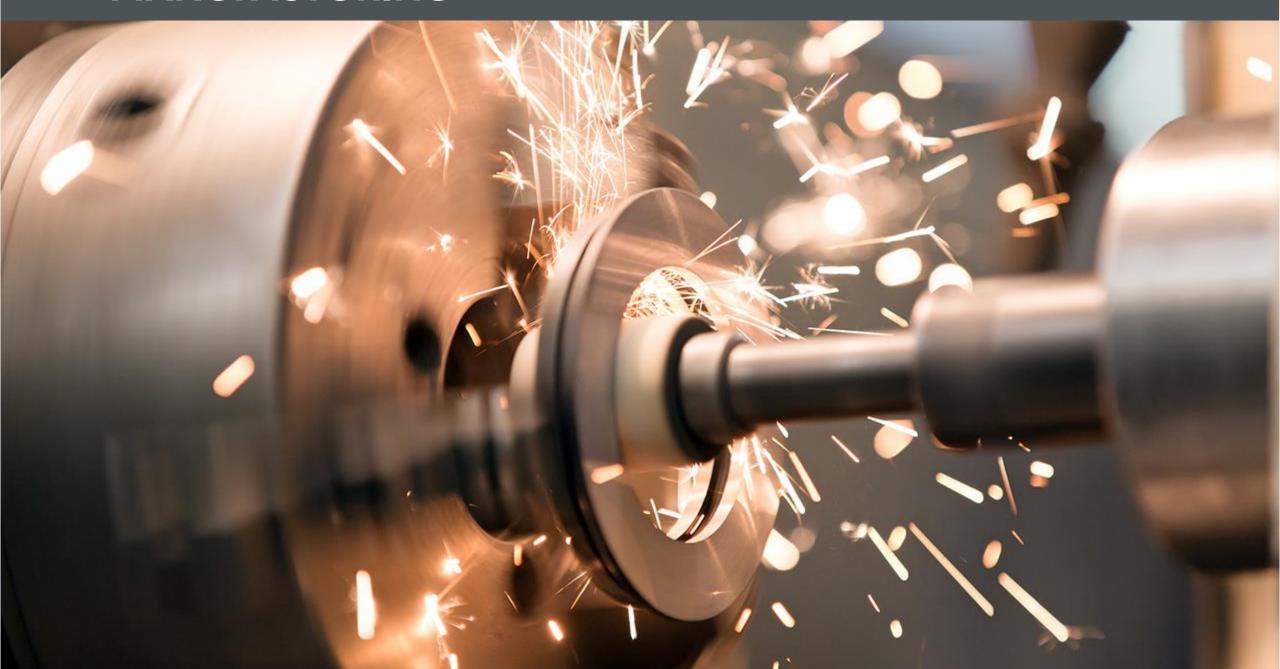
DUBAI NAMED AMONG
WORLD'S TOP 20 CITIES THAT
HAVE THE MOST LUXURY
SHOPS, RESTAURANTS AND
FIVE-STAR HOTELS

Money.co.uk



AHMED AL KHAJA, CEO OF THE DUBAI FESTIVALS AND RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT (DFRE)

## MANUFACTURING



#### OPPORTUNITIES | MANUFACTURING

\$19.04BN

BANK CREDIT TO UAE'S INDUSTRIAL SECTOR, 190% GROWTH OVER 10 YEARS

TARGETS TO BECOME A GLOBAL
PLATFORM FOR KNOWLEDGE-BASED,
SUSTAINABLE AND INNOVATIVE
INDUSTRIES

#### **OPPORTUNITIES | MANUFACTURING**

## SIX INDUSTRIAL **SECTORS**

ARE TARGETED FOR DUBAL



**AEROSPACE** 



MARITIME



**PHARMACEUTICALS** & MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



**ALUMINIUM & FABRICATED METALS** 



FAST MOVING CONSUMABLE GOODS



**MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT** 

#### **OPPORTUNITIES | MANUFACTURING**

#### **DUBAI INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY 2030**

# GROWTH ENGINE

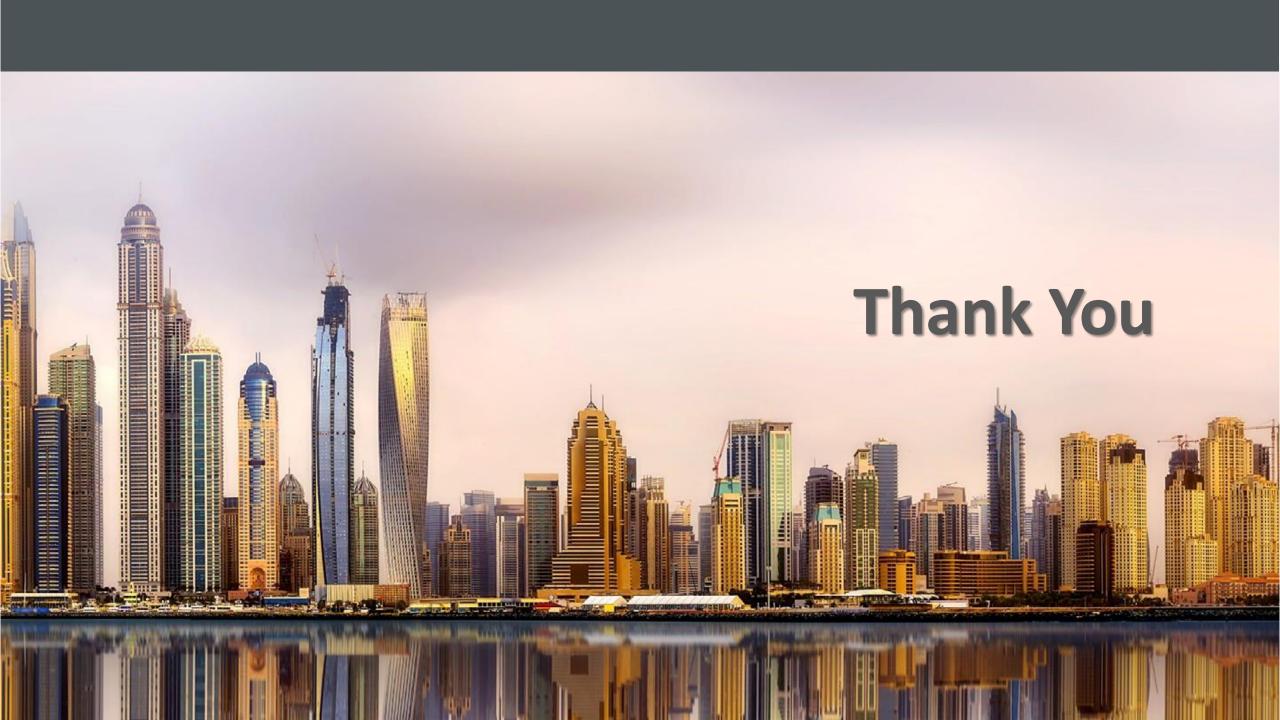
AIMS TO INCREASE TOTAL
GDP AND VALUE-ADDED OF
THE MANUFACTURING
SECTOR

# HOME FOR GLOBAL BUSINESS

MAKE DUBAI A PREFERRED MANUFACTURING PLATFORM FOR GLOBAL BUSINESSES

# ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE

TO PROMOTE
ENVIRONMENTALLYFRIENDLY AND ENERGY
EFFICIENT
MANUFACTURING



# Speaker 4

Ms. Luma Bourisly, Consultant – Director Dubai Culture & Arts Authority











## **Good morning Meet Dubai Culture & Arts Authority team**



Saeed Kharbash

Chief Executive Officer of the Arts & Literature Sector



**Khulood Khoory** 

Director of Projects & **Events Department** 



Consultant -**Director General** Office



Senior Officer - Marketing & **Corporate Communication** Department



Specialist - Projects & **Events Department** 



### **VISION**

## **Dubai**: A global center for culture. A thriving hub for talent. An incubator for creativity

#### **OUR BELIEFS**

We are...

#### **GUARDIANS**

We are the guardians of our heritage, and we celebrate and promote our identity.

### **EXPLORERS**

We relentlessly explore ways to shape the future.

#### **CONNECTORS**

We come together to start dialogues and trigger opportunity.

#### **ACHIEVERS**

We enable each other and our partners to deliver against the highest standards of excellence and ethics.

#### **OUR MISSION**

global talent

To enable the next generation of talent to be inspired to connect and create

To make culture everywhere and for everyone

diverse community

To enable culture and arts to positively contribute to the economy

To position Dubai on the Global cultural map

homegrown cultural

offerings

To ensure National heritage is preserved, celebrated, and globally recognized

#### **OUR SECTORAL PRIORITIES**

#### **ACCESSIBILITY & TALENT & EDUCATION CREATIVE ECONOMY GLOBAL FOOTPRINT CULTURAL RESPONSIBILITY ENGAGEMENT** Integrate arts & Safeguard intangible and Boost Dubai's status as Foster an ecosystem for 3 Cultivate a nurturing creativity in the city's tangible cultural a cultural destination young talent to business urban spaces heritage environment Strengthen & increase Attract & retain diverse Export Dubai's engagement of the

# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Cultural and Creative Industries

CULTURAL & NATURAL HERITAGE



Museums

Archeological & historic places
Natural heritage

Intangible cultural heritage

Cultural education

Culinary arts

PERFORMING ARTS & CELEBRATION



**Performing Arts** 

Festivals & Fairs Musi c VISUAL ARTS & CRAFTS



Fine Arts Photograph

> y Crafts

Art reproduction

BOOKS & PRESS



Newspapers & Magazine Books

Library & Archive

AUDIOVISUAL & INTERACTIVE MEDIA



Film & Video

TV & Radio

Interactive Media Video Games DESIGN & CREATIVE SERVICES



Fashion

Graphic Design

**Product Design** 

Internal & Landscape Design

**Architectural Services** 

Advertising Services

IT & Software



## Why should you invest in the creative sector?



# THE CREATIVE SECTOR PROMOTES THE CULTURE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Most innovators tend to set up small and medium-sized companies.

Source: Fast Company Report



## PROMOTES TOURISM SECTOR

Creative sectors generate new attractions and create an attractive environment for the younger generation.

Source: Just Travel Report



## JOB DURABILITY UNAFFECTED BY AUTOMATION

The creative industries are among the least vulnerable to automation.

Source: Nesta Report



## ITS PRODUCTIVITY ENRICHES OTHER SECTORS

Leads to an increase in the GDP in other sectors.

Source: McKinsey Report



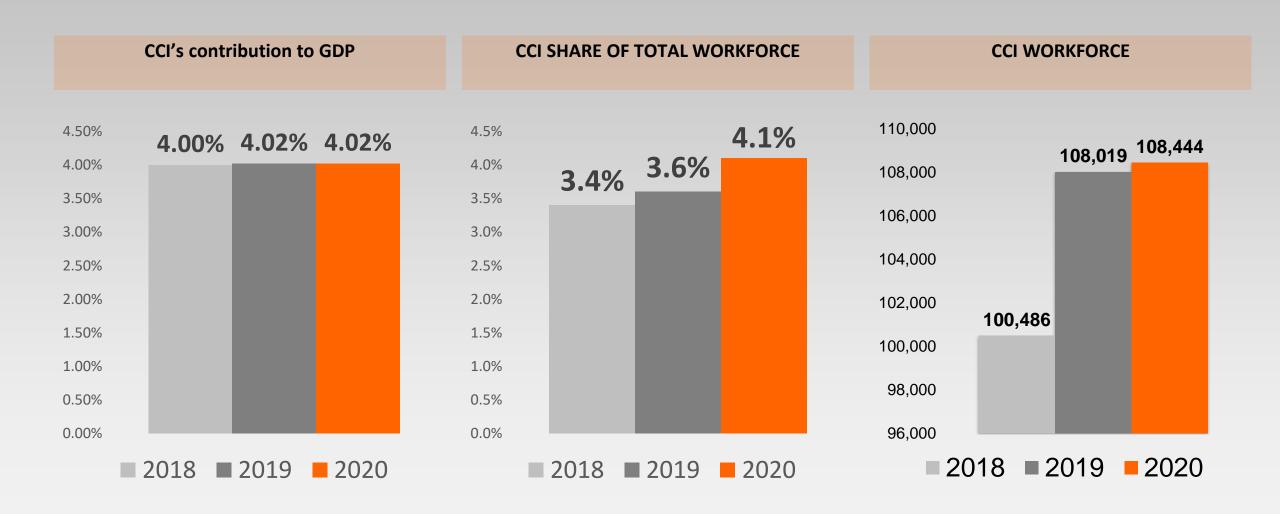
## INCREASES THE CITY'S ATTRACTIVENESS FOR TALENT

Attracts talent to the city and helps retain them, creating new sectors.

Source: US Today Article



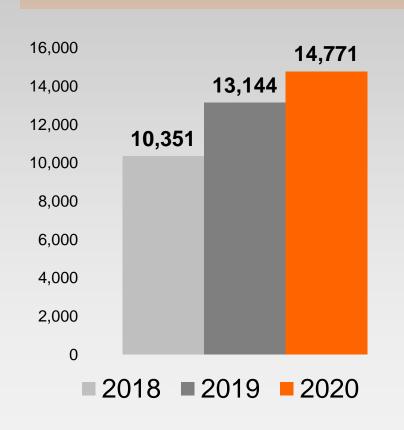
# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Performance

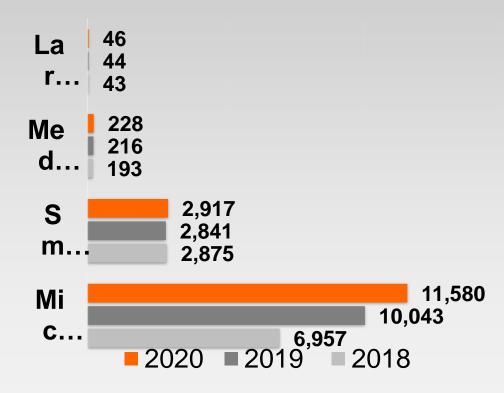


# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Performance

#### NUMBER OF FOR PROFIT CCI INSTITUTIONS

## NUMBER OF SMALL TO MEDIUM CCI ENTERPRISES (FOR-PROFIT)



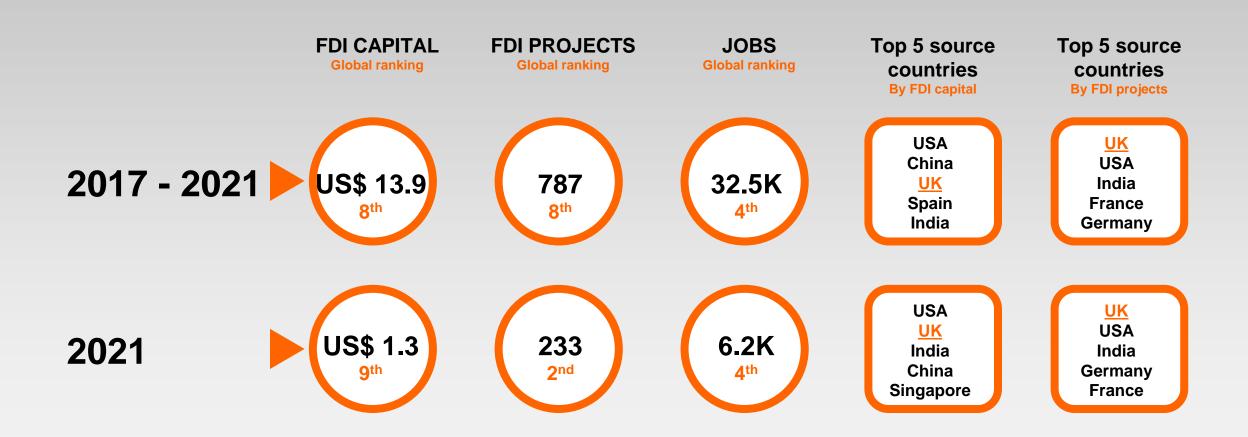


## MEDIUM & LARGE BUSINESSES

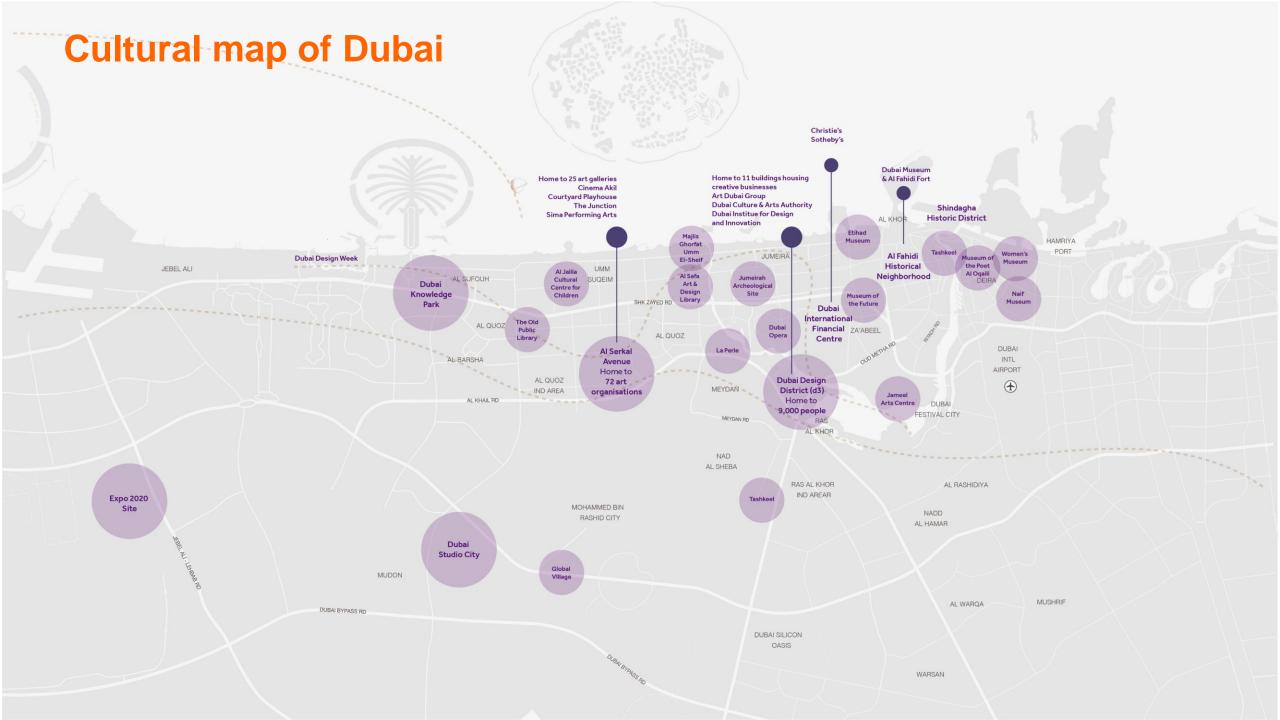
- M&L businesses make 3% of the total number of CCI businesses in Dubai
- 42% of total production (output)
- **39%** of total creative workforce



# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: FDI







# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Why Dubai?

#### 1. CITY'S CREATIVE INFRASTRUCTURE

## OVER 20 FREEZONES

- Dubai Internet City
- Dubai Media City
- Dubai Production City
- Dubai Studio City
- Dubai Outsource City
- Dubai International Academic City
- Dubai Science Park
- Dubai Design District (d3)
- Dubai multi commodities centre authority
- Dubai Silicon Oasis Authority
- Dubai World Trade Centre
- Gold and Diamond Park
- Dubai South
- Dubai International Financial Centre
- National Industries Park (TechnoPark)
- Dubai CommerCity

## AL QUOZ CREATIVE ZONE

- Launched to serve as a hub for creative talents, offering facilities, services and incentives for them to live and work.
- It aims to attract creative talents and investors in various areas of the creative economy, which enhances the value of this region as a regional and global creative centre.
- The project aligns with the Dubai Creative Economy Strategy and will offer all creativerelated services, licenses and permits.



Al Quoz Creative Zone

## **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

- Dubai is home to 34 international higher education institutions that provide more than 600 programmes
- One in four students coming from outside the UAE (28%).

# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Why Dubai?

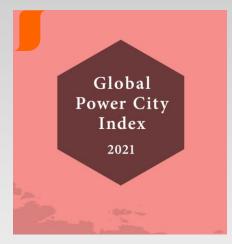
#### 2. CITY'S ATTRACTIVENESS

## WORLD'S BEST CITIES REPORT 2021



Dubai ranked 5th best city in the world in Resonance Consultancy's World's Best Cities Report 2021 ahead of cities like Tokyo, Singapore and Los Angeles.

## GLOBAL POWER CITIES INDEX



Dubai ranked 5<sup>th</sup> ranking in within the Cultural Interaction parameter at GPCI

## UNESCO CREATIVE CITIES NETWORK



Dubai is **first** UNESCO creative city of design in Middle East



Dubai ranks among the **top 10** world's most influential cities in **Future Brand's Country Index 2020** 

# THE CREATIVE SECTOR IN DUBAI: Why Dubai?

#### 2. INCENTIVES FOR THE CREATIVE SECTOR

#### **EASY BUSINESS SET UP**



Obtain your creative license through 'Invest in Dubai' platform in a few minutes with 5 simple steps:

- 1. Choose the creative field.
- 2. Choose the license type.
- Receive the establishment certificate from the General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs in Dubai.
- 4. Pay the fees.
- 5. Receive the license.

#### **CULTURAL RESIDENCY**



Dubai offers the first of its kind 10-year gold residency to attract, empower and retain creative talents

#### AN ALL-IN-ONE BUSINESS OPERATING SYSTEM ON A SINGLE PLATFORM!



- Over 45 applications that help manage sales, marketing, productivity, human resources...
- \$1,000 Zoho Wallet credit valid for one year 10% off for two consecutive years after the conclusion of the first one (exclusive to customers).
- Free training on the use of the applications, with a value equivalent to US\$4,000.

#### **BANKING SOLUTIONS**



- No minimum balance & preferential rates on local and international transfers
- Free-for-life business credit card with a credit limit of AED 250.000.
- Complimentary online banking services when paying employees' salaries through the WPS.
- Free debit card and dedicated relationship managers.
- Fast and easy business loan and financing services, with a special 50% discount on loan transaction fees, in addition to asset-backed lending solutions + exclusive financing facilities



# WANT TO KNOW MORE?



Contact us!

## Speaker 5

DeVere Forster, Chief Operating Officer Dubai CommerCity (DCC)







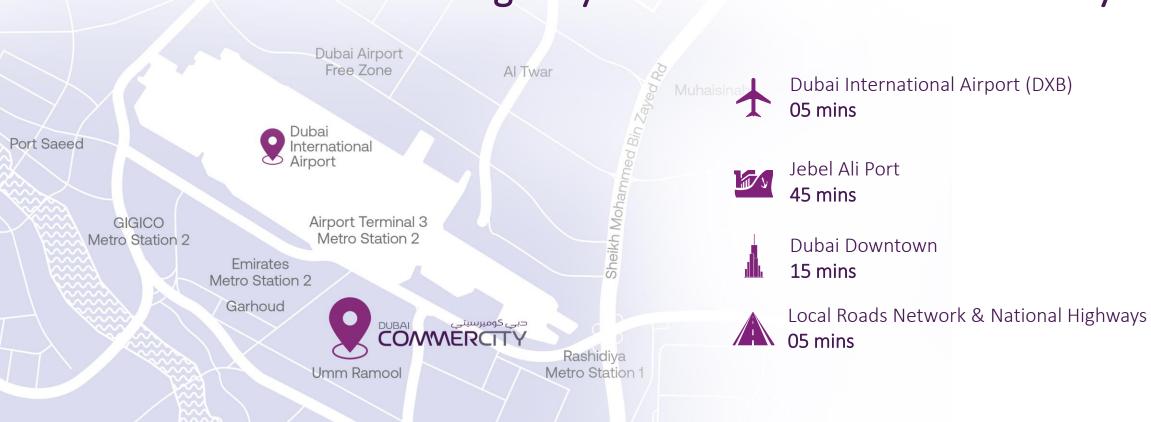
The Regions Leading e-commerce Free Zone & Services Provider



Deira

Al Jaddaf

## Strategically located in the heart of the city!



Al Rashidiya

## The Region's First Free Zone <u>Dedicated</u> to E -Commerce



TOTAL INVESTMENT

AED 3.2 Bn



TOTAL AREA

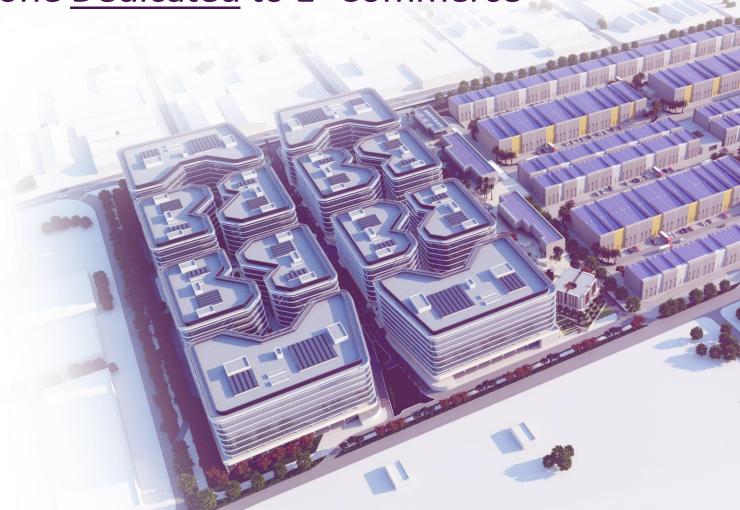
2.1 M sqft



LAUNCHED

Logistics Cluster: Q1 2021

Business Cluster: Q2 2021







## **Logistics Cluster**

- 20 Dedicated Warehouse Units
- 4 Large E- fullfilment Centers
- 1 Multi-client Warehouse



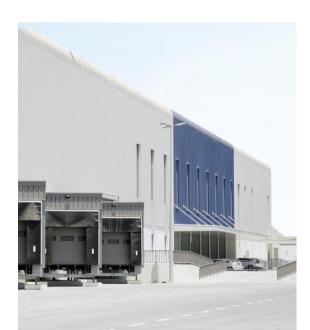
## **Business Cluster**

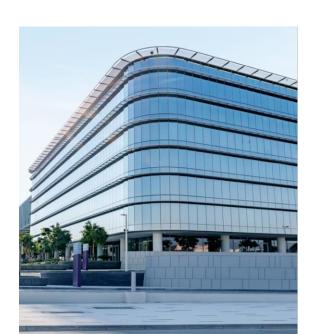
■ 12 Office Buildings (G + 6)

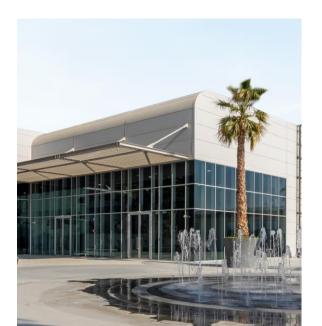


## **Social Cluster**

- Restaurants, Food hall
- Cafes, Shops
- Multi-purpose Events Hall









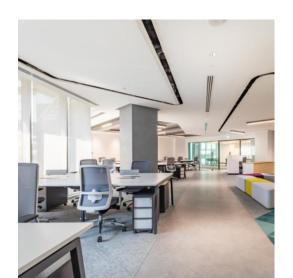
## OFFICES



#### Smart Desk

Office Area: 7.5 sqm

Ideal for start-ups looking for license to trade

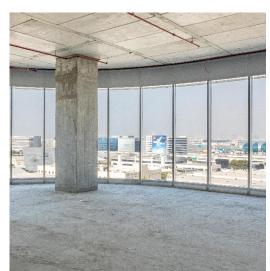




### **Shell & Core Offices**

Office Area: From 100 sqm

Fully customizable office spaces that can be tailored to your needs & requirements





### **Fitted Offices**

Office Area: From 25 sqm

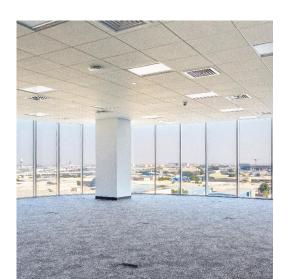
Complete with Flooring, ceiling and lights

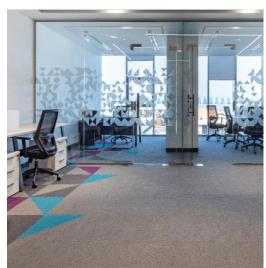


### **Premium Offices**

Office Area: From 50 sqm

Fully furnished, contemporary & ready for plug & play







## **E-FULFILMENT & LOGISTICS**



### Multi-client Warehousing

Area: From 1 cbm
Pay-as-you-go
solution operated by HWL



### Dedicated LIU's

Area: 367 sqm Ideal for SME's



#### E-fulfilment Centre

Area: From 400 – 22,000 sqm designed for e-commerce operations



#### Fitted Solutions

Complete with mezzanine, conveyor belts & packing stations



## Integrated blockchain solution

Allowing for ease of Movement B2C orders FZ -> ML



### Logistics

Partnership with DHL with pre-negotiated rates and SLA's

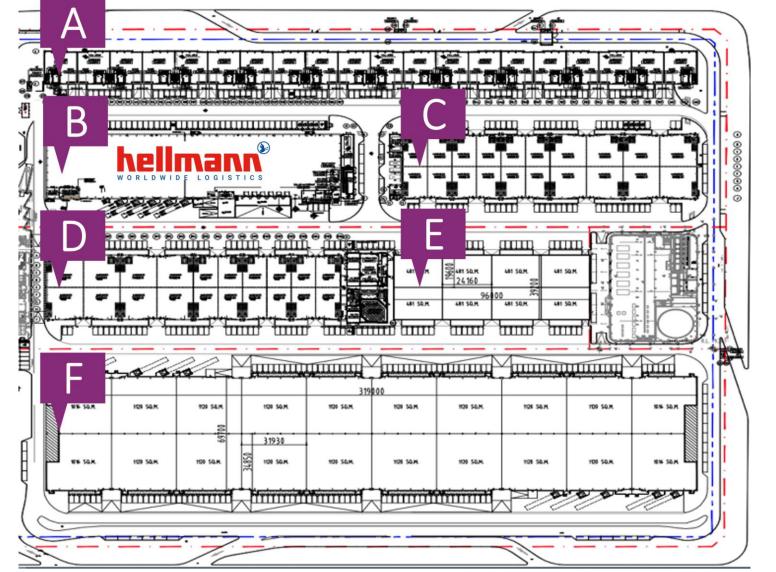


### Support

We have experts from
Dubai Customs & the regions
leading retail group



## Logistics Cluster Masterplan



20 x Dedicated LIU's − 367 sqm

1 x Multiclient warehouse – 5,750 sqm

Operated by Hellmann

Pay as you go model

4 x E-fulfilment centres – from 3,850 sqm

Plots C & D: 5,750 sqm

Plot E: 3,850 sqm

Plot F: 22,200 sqm

All plots can be partitioned dependent on client needs

## SOCIAL CLUSTER







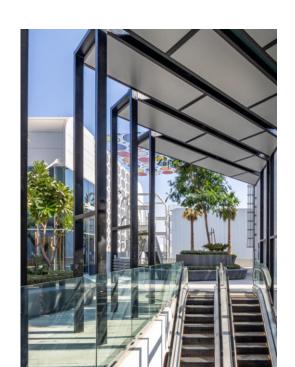
Retail



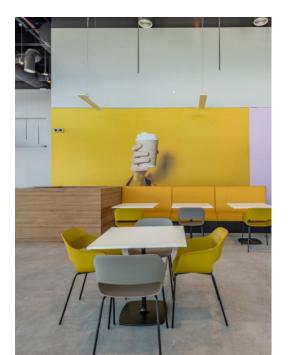
**Food Court** 

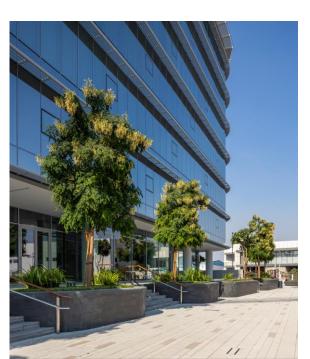


Outdoor Space / Multipurpose Hall









## Value Proposition



- The regions first and leading free zone dedicated to ecommerce
- Strategically located next to DXB airport providing express order fulfilment to customers of the UAE and cross-border into the rest of the GCC
- Provide full end-to-end e-commerce services and solutions tailored to our clients needs – from offices, to warehousing to turn-key 'e-commerce in a box'
- Developed by one of the first Freezone operators in the Middle East, led by a team of e-commerce experts with 10+ years of experience on an international level, we provide an unrivalled service you'll find no where else.
- A trendy workplace and the regions leading innovation hub in e-commerce and omnichannel

## Defining E-Commerce Ecosystem

An **E-Commerce Ecosystem** is a network of unified functions completing the full cycle of the services required by e-commerce firms. DCC offers **end-to-end ecommerce services** that go beyond 'the tenant: landlord relationship' to include services such as:

- Understanding the ecommerce operation and tailoring the model to our clients' business
- Online store setup and webstore management
- Customs consulting
- Warehouse logistics and last mile
- Developing performance marketing and localization strategies.

Our positioning:

Outsource your your full-service

Outsource your e-commerce needs to DCC, your full-service E-Commerce Partner



## Comprehensive Turnkey E-Commerce Solution

**E-Commerce** 

**Solutions** 

### **Ecommerce Technology** Platform & Services

- Webstore Development & Maintenance
- Online Trading & Merchandising support
- UX / UI, Branding & Creatives
- Payment Gateway

### **Ecommerce Strategy** Consulting

- Developing your eCommerce strategy identifying the right eCommerce solution for your business
- Optimization strategy
- End-to-end user experience optimization
- Ecommerce training programs

## Warehousing & Last Mile Delivery

- Ecommerce shipping & fulfillment strategy
- Inventory management & warehousing
- Pick , pack and order fulfilment
- Returns management

## Digital Marketing & **Customer Analytics**

- End-to-end marketing support
- Performance marketing
- SEO & content marketing strategy & implementation.
- Localize content for digital platforms and KOL strategy for your industry.
- Social media marketing & management
- Social Commerce Strategy enablement. Customer analytics

### **Business Setup & Customs Support**

- Business setup options and solutions
- Legal advisory services.
- Custom Consulting
- Bank account opening support.
- Interior design services

## **Support Services**

## **Ecommerce Business**

- Call Centers and Customer Support
- Translation services.
- Photo studio
- Event Organizing / Management Services
- Recruitment Support.



## Turnkey Delivery

## We deliver complete business solutions

#### Fuss-Free Results

Inefficient work streams, project bottlenecks, third party suppliers, budget overruns, delays- managing e-commerce can be in short can be a nightmare.

This is where turnkey comes in.

Having designed a complete solution, we take ownership for managing workstreams to ensure each party involves understands the requirements & the delivery schedule.

We provide strong governance, risk management & succinct reporting to clients.



Thank You



## Speaker 7

Ali Hassan, Senior Representative Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC)











## DIFC is the deepest financial center between London & Singapore



#1 Global Financial Centre in MEASA

"DIFC is one of the world's most advanced financial centres, and the leading financial hub for the Middle East, Africa and South Asia (MEASA) region"

## A **Regulatory Launchpad** trusted by **over 700** financial regulated institutions



**Banking** and





A fully digital **Business Launchpad** enabling **over 3,700 companies** with **over 31,000 employees** 







### The largest Fintech and Innovation ecosystem across MEASA with over 550 companies

Fintech	Innovation	Corporate Innovation	<b>Money Services</b>	Venture Capital	Digital Assets & Crypto
BA9ZAT ∳Flybits	seez Bearaby	بنك دبي النجاري Commercial Bank of Dubal	Ebury 🛟 ZIINA	NULUI ILAMBRO PERKS	₹ Tezos RAIN
SoFi 🗱 tabby*	REEF TAIGER	Digital Lab  amazon	tg tarabut Rapyd	ME MIDDLE EAST VENTURE PARTNERS	• <b>\$ripple</b> ♥ LIKVIDI
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## DIFC is a Financial Free Zone established in 2004 to diversify the economy

DIFC is a physical, legal and regulatory carve-out in Dubai and the UAE ...

... with a large-scale footprint



### **DIFC Authority**

Provides an independent legal framework, based on international standards of justice and English common law.



Workforce

32,000+



**Firms** 

3,700+



### **Dubai Financial Services Authority**

Regulates all financial services activities carried out in and from the DIFC.



Financial Regulated

700+



Fintech & Innovation

550+



### **DIFC Courts**

Administers an independent English common law judiciary.



Balance Sheet

\$199Bn



AUM

\$440Bn<sup>1</sup>

#### Free Zone



Offers benefits including 100% foreign ownership, no restriction on capital repatriation, tax advantages.

# DIFC is the top choice for institutions seeking global standards

DIFC was an unprecedented innovation, establishing a world-class regulatory & legal framework

The DIFC offers financial and legal benefits

The center provides an unparalleled network and a track-record in understanding client needs



Independent English-language common law judiciary administered by DIFC Courts



No currency restrictions



Large-scale professional network of **3,700+ businesses** and **31,000+ employees** 



Leading data protection (GDPR compliant) and IP laws



**100% Foreign ownership** with range of options for structuring legal entities



Unique first-hand understanding of client needs and challenges built on an 18 year track record of helping business scale



**Independent risk-based regulatory body (DFSA)** for financial activities



No restrictions on capital repatriation



State-of-the-art infrastructure located in a prime area of Dubai



Pioneer in **regulating emerging financial technologies** (payments, digital assets, crypto etc.)



**Globally competitive** and attractive **tax regime** 

## DIFC growth rests on traditional finance as well as future of finance

Vision: Driving the Future of Finance Job creation and diversification of Dubai economy Purpose: Growth Wave 2 -**Growth Wave 1** Growth Wave 3 - Strategy 2030 "Become a globally relevant hub for "Establish Dubai as a leading Strategy 2024 Global Financial Centre" Future of Finance" "Deepen the Core and increase AUM" ~31,000 15,000 citigroup 40,000 ~18,000 2006 2008 21 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 20 2024 2026 2028 2030 BlackRock. CREDIT SUISSE J.P.Morgan Asset Management Julius Bär 400 14x 163

2014

2016

2018

20

21

Core

**Future of Finance** 

**Total Workforce**Core & Future of Finance

Assets under management managed from DIFC, \$ Bn

2006

2004

2008

2010

2012

2024

2030

## Dubai is a stable, thriving, and globally ranked talent hub



## Regional talent hub

to attract, retain and grow talent

(UAE) in MENA and

(UAE) globally in INSEAD Global Talent Competitiveness index

# Golden Visa Program

offering up to 10-year residencies





## Stable, secure & thriving

city for managing regional business

(UAE) in MENA in Rule of Law

(UAE) in MENA in Political Stability and Absence of Violence (ahead of USA, France)



## Among highest quality of life globally

#42

Mercer Cost of Living Index 2021

globally for best city for expats globally after Miami & Lisbon

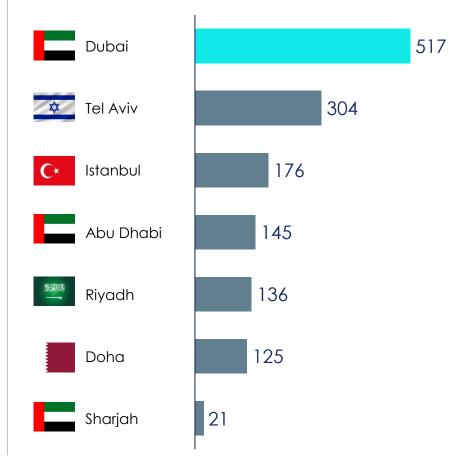
In MENA in Mercer quality of living index 2019

## Asset Managers - You can tap into large pools of wealth from Dubai

Investment managers can tap large pools of wealth \$8 Tn of HNWIs private wealth in \$444 Bn<sup>1</sup>+ total \$3+ Tn of HNWIs MEASA (5 hours flight) WAM size in the **DIFC** private wealth in GCC (<1 hour flight) with **\$163 Bn** managed from DIFC \$3.3+ Tn of Sovereign Wealth Funds in **55,000 HNWIs** and the GCC and \$300+ Bn of Dubai-based sovereign wealth **UHNWIs** in **Dubai** (highest in MENA) MUBADALA

Dubai is the Middle Eastern city with the highest concentration of wealth

Total private wealth by Middle East city, (\$ Bn)



### DIFC Largest Wealth Hub: Global Asset Managers, Alternative Managers Private Banks

### **ASSET MANAGERS**







**ALTERNATIVE** 

**MANAGERS** 



















BlueCrest

EN(T)RUST







**UBS** 















& INFRASTRUCTURE





BANKOFSINGAPORE





Global Asset

Manager

Manager

\$779bln



LORD ABBETT® Global Asset Manager \$143bln

HF Manager \$38bln

HF Manager \$7.5bln

HF Manager \$20bln

HF Manager \$36bln

HF Manager \$100bln



# You can set-up and manage your Asset & Wealth Manager from DIFC

Manage your activity efficiently from the DIFC



Flexibility of legal structures and product offering for fast expansion into Dubai (e.g., Rep Office)



**Option of setting-up a non-regulated entity** to conduct market/investment research and expand time-zone coverage



**Availability of Prescribed Company** (PC i.e. SPV) **legal structure** for structuring deals & investments



Attractiveness of location to hire and retain top management talent to run regional operations or establish regional innovation/R&D centers



Access to region's largest knowledge & services hub (law, consultants, compliance, finance, administration, tax ...) to accelerate growth

DIFC's offering and environment supports the setup of your business



Globally competitive and attractive tax regime



Proximity to large regional wealth pools for fundraising and most proven funds regime with 100+ funds established and \$444 Bn AUM



Strategic regional hub to attract and retain top talent and to attract and service clients, enabled by a world-class lifestyle infrastructure



Largest innovation ecosystem in the region with 550+ entities and 10+ entities innovating in AI/ML



**Leader in emerging technologies regulation** (Digital assets, crypto...) and **sustainable finance** 

## DIFC already has the world's leading multinationals



Top **global law** firms

WHITE & CASE

Linklaters





**ALLEN & OVERY** 

C L I F F O R D C H A N C E





Top global pharmaceutical firms









All the Big Four professional services firms











Top global consulting firms

McKinsey & Company

**KEARNEY** 

strategy&

Booz | Allen | Hamilton



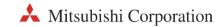


**Alix**Partners





Leading global corporations

















## You can manage your multinational business from the DIFC

You can scale your business efficiently to the broader region

- **Structure regional HQs** out of DIFC with operating entities elsewhere
- 2 Centralize regional or global corporate treasury and internal funds transfer pricing
- Centralize regional or global management, back-office operations and innovation/R&D centers by hiring and retaining top talent in Dubai, driven by location attractiveness
- 4 Establish commercial company joint ventures, spinoffs etc.
- 5 Structure M&A transactions and ring-fence assets with various structures

DIFC's offering and environment supports the setup of your business



**Tax-efficient operating environment** with competitive tax regime, DTAs and no capital restrictions



Legal and regulatory environment at par with global standards (English common law, IP law, data protection...)



Proximity and access to regional and global markets



Management/Head Office, HoldCo and PC legal structures for flexibility



DIFCs best-in class **physical infrastructure and** availability of **high-quality talent** 

## Dubai is the regional innovation hub and DIFC leads the charge

VC funding as a % GDP at par with global leaders DIFC is the largest cluster for FinTech in the region Total 2021 VC Funding, %GDP1 **Number of FinTechs,** # (% of GCC) GDP, \$ Tn Total VC Funding, \$Bn 1.0% Dubai GCC 526 0.1 308 (60%) 2.7% UAF ↓ Israel 10.7 0.4 257 (50%) Dubai US US 1.5% 311.0 21.0 DIFC令 207 (40%) 1.1% 29.0 2.8 90 (17%) Bahrain 0.6% China 90.1 14.7 82 (16%) KSA 0.3% UAE 1.2 0.4 51 (10%) O ADGM 3.0 0.1% 2.6 **MENA** 46 (9%) Other GCC Ø 1.0%

## DIFC is the leading Fintech and Innovation Hub in MEASA

DIFC领 Innovation Hub

DIFC领 FinTech Hive

Innovation License and Incentives

Innovation Testina License (Regulatory Sandbox)

500+ Tech based in DIFC having raised \$600mn

1,700+ Talent working from the hub 150+ Fintech accelerated

USD 300+ million raised by Hive cohorts **USD 1,500/year** 90% subsidised up to 4 years

18 Investments by by \$300 mln DIFC FinTech Fund

20+ Fintech in programme

Clear exit path to unrestricted license









































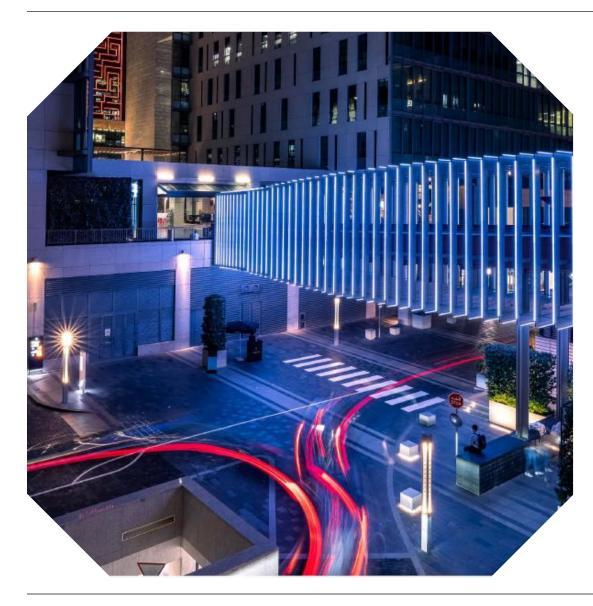








### Who can establish business in DIFC's Innovation Hub?

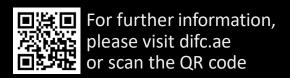


**The DIFC Innovation License** is offered to a wider ecosystem of technology enablers and SMEs developing or testing new, novel or innovative products, including companies undertaking the following activities:

- Software firms.
- Technology, research and development.
- Information technology consultancy.
- Internet consultancy.
- IT infrastructure.
- Portals and technology platforms.
- Computer consultancy.
- Artificial Intelligence.







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# Speaker 8

James Bernard, Regional Representative Europe Dubai Multi Commodities Centre (DMCC)











# WHO IS DMCC AND WHAT DO WE DO?

#1
FREE ZONE AND A
LEADING CENTRE
FOR TECH

THE PERFECT

ENVIRONMENT

FOR YOUR BUSINESS TO

THRIVE

WE WILL PROVIDE YOU
WITH A **BUSINESS LICENCE** 

AND
SUPPORT YOU
THROUGHOUT YOUR
BUSINESSES JOURNEY





# WHAT SETS US APART IN NUMBERS



20,000+

**COMPANIES** REGISTERED



190+

**COUNTRIES** REPRESENTED



69,000+

**EMPLOYEES** IN THE FREE ZONE



13

**SERVICED** OFFICES



~10%



600+

RETAIL OUTLETS CATERED

FOR

YOUR NEEDS



**CLOSE TO AIR & SEA PORTS** 

**EDUCATION FACILITIES** 

**CONNECTED COMMUNITY** 



2M m2

**DMCC** 

DEVELOPMENT



55K m<sup>2</sup>

CENTRAL **PARK** 



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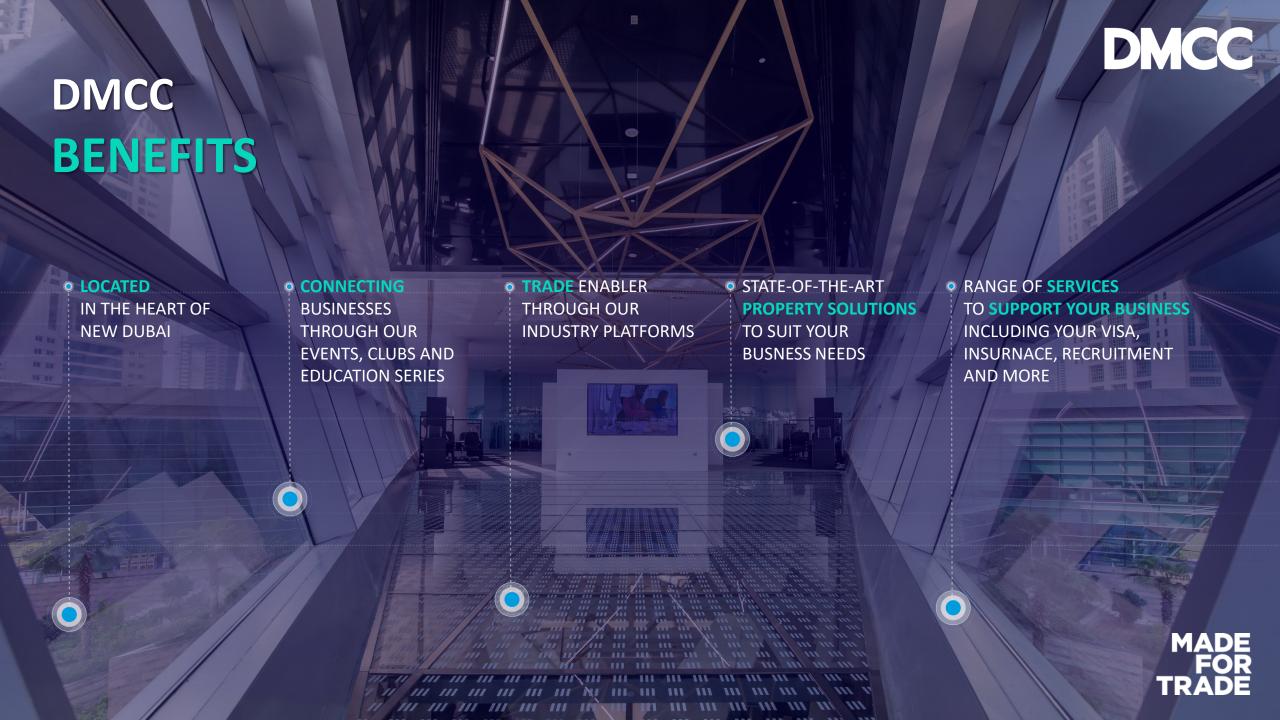
COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL HIGH-RISE TOWERS



5

HOTELS

MADE FOI TRADE



# JLT COMMUNITY

# MORE THAN JUST A BUSINESS HUB



200 HECTARE BUSINESS
AND RESIDENTIAL
COMMUNITY
AND 3 LAKES



OVER **600 RETAIL** OUTLETS



OVER **100,000 PEOPLE** LIVING AND WORKING



55,000 M2 COMMUNITY **PARK** 



**DMCC** 

FIVE **HOTELS**,
TWO **UNIVERSITIES** AND **68** COMMERCIAL AND
RESIDENTIAL TOWERS



RANGE OF EVENTS
AND ACTIVITIES MADE
FOR
TRADE





# 2022

# **UPTOWN DUBAI**



A **WORLD-CLASS DISTRICT**, UPTOWN DUBAI IS SET TO BECOME THE NEW "HOTSPOT" OF DUBAI, OFFERING A 24/7 LIVE-WORK-THRIVE EXPERIENCE FOR RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES.



A **10 MILLION SQ/FT** EXPERIENCE WITH 7 TOWERS ATOP 7 LEVELS OF PODIUM.



WORLD-CLASS ARCHITECTS ADRIAN SMITH + GORDON GILL DESIGNED UPTOWN DUBAI'S **TWO SUPER-TALL TOWERS**.





# HOME TO

### WORLD'S LEADING BRANDS













HUDAREAUTY























3,210
UK Nationals in DMCC Free Zone

1,855
UK Companies in DMCC Free Zone































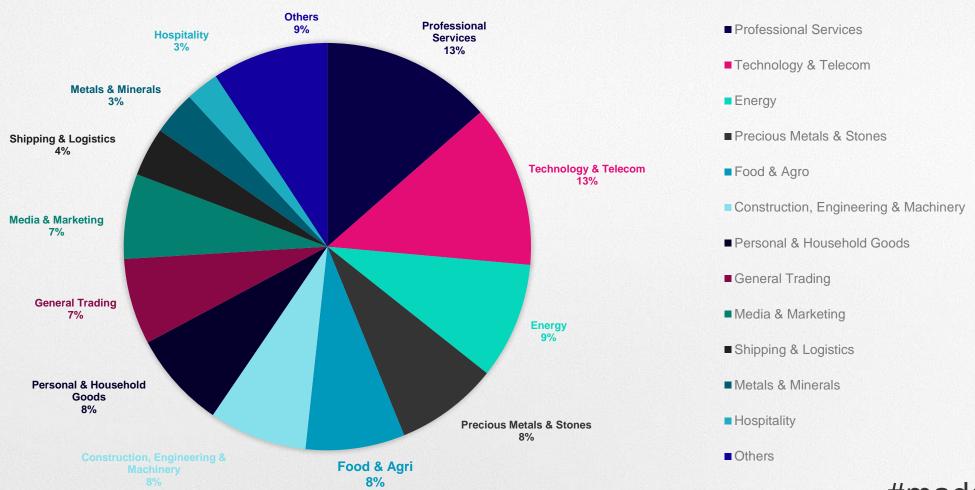








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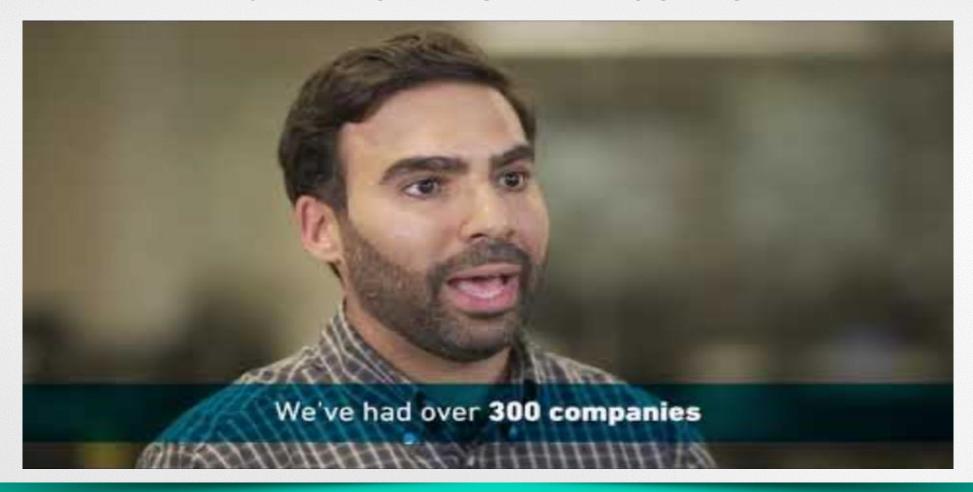


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# **TECH INNOVATION AND SUPPORT**





# TECH HUB / CRYPTO ECOSYSTEM





Google for Startups



















Tech Hub – Online – Tele – Digital – E commerce Crypto Centre – Blockchain – Crypto Assets – Tokenization – DLT



# **DMCC**

# COMMODITES Delivering connected marketplaces driving global trade:

WORLD'S NO.1 BULLION HUB FOR PHYSICAL GOLD

(USD 40 Bn, 2016)



## COFFEE

DEVELOPING MAJOR NEW SUPPLY CHAINS THROUGH DUBAL





TOP THREE DIAMOND TRADING CENTRE IN

THE WORLD

(USD 29 Bn, 2016)





BUILDING DUBAI AS A GLOBAL CENTRE FOR TRADE IN AGRO COMMODITIES







# **DMCC PLATFORMS**

A WORLD-CLASS CENTRE FOR COMMODITIES SHAPING DUBAI'S FUTURE OF TRADE. OUR TRADE ENABLERS AND SERVICE PLATFORMS:



THE LEADING DERIVATIVES EXCHANGE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

### **DMCC TRADEFLOW**

DEDICATED ONLINE PLATFORM FOR REGISTERING POSSESSION AND OWNERSHIP OF COMMODITIES STORED IN UAE FACILITIES

### **DMCC COFFEE CENTRE**

DEVELOPING MAJOR NEW SUPPLY CHAINS THROUGH DUBAI

AGRIOTA CROPDATA





THE GATEWAY FOR THE GLOBAL DIAMOND TRADE



### **DMCC TEA CENTRE**

HANDLES 45 MILLION KILOS OF TEA A YEAR, PACKS +100 BRANDS



### **CRYPTO CENTRE**

DMCC LATEST ECOSYSTEM FOR BLOCKCHAIN. **CRYPTO & DIGITAL INNOVATION** 









# AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

'GLOBAL FREE ZONE OF THE YEAR' **AWARD WINNER** IN **SEVEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS** AS VOTED BY THE **FINANCIAL TIMES** 









# Speaker 9

Omar Abdul Aziz, Senior Manager & Business Account International Dubai Silicon Oasis (DSO)













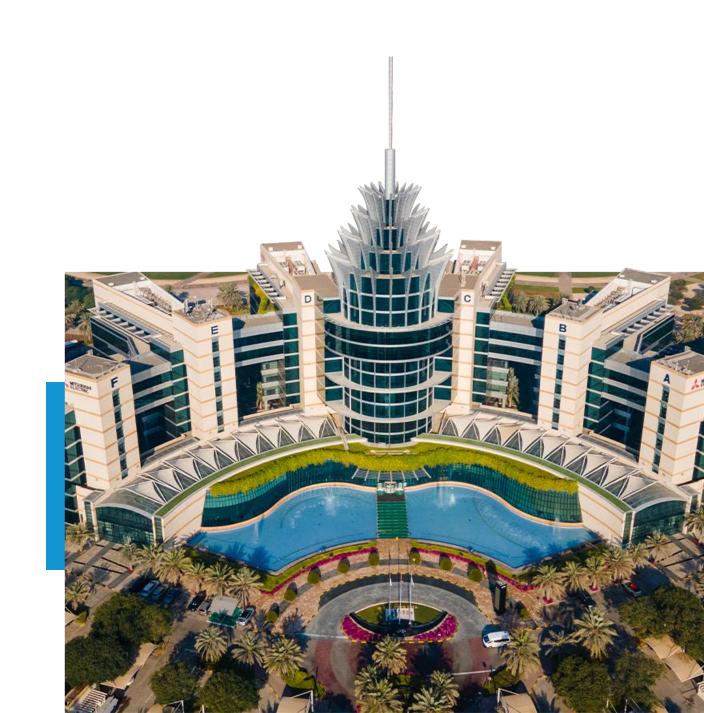




### **AGENDA**

- About DSO
- The Masterplan and Location
- Business in DSO
- Warehouses in DSO
- DSO the community

# ABOUT DUBAI SILICON OASIS





# DUBAI SILICON OASIS THE DESTINATION

Dubai Silicon Oasis is a fully integrated ecosystem Where you can live, work study and play.

80%
Technology Operating

Wholly owned by the Government of Dubai and aimed at establishing a global technology hub

# THE MASTERPLAN AND LOCATION







### **DUBAI MASTER URBAN PLAN 2040**

**Dubai Master Urban Plan 2040** lays out a roadmap for sustainable development that serves society with all its components

#### The plan includes establishing 5 urban centres:

**Dubai Marina** 

JBR (Tourism and Recreation centre>

Expo 2020

Global portal for exhibitions and events

05 Dubai Silicon Oasis Knowledge and Innovation centre

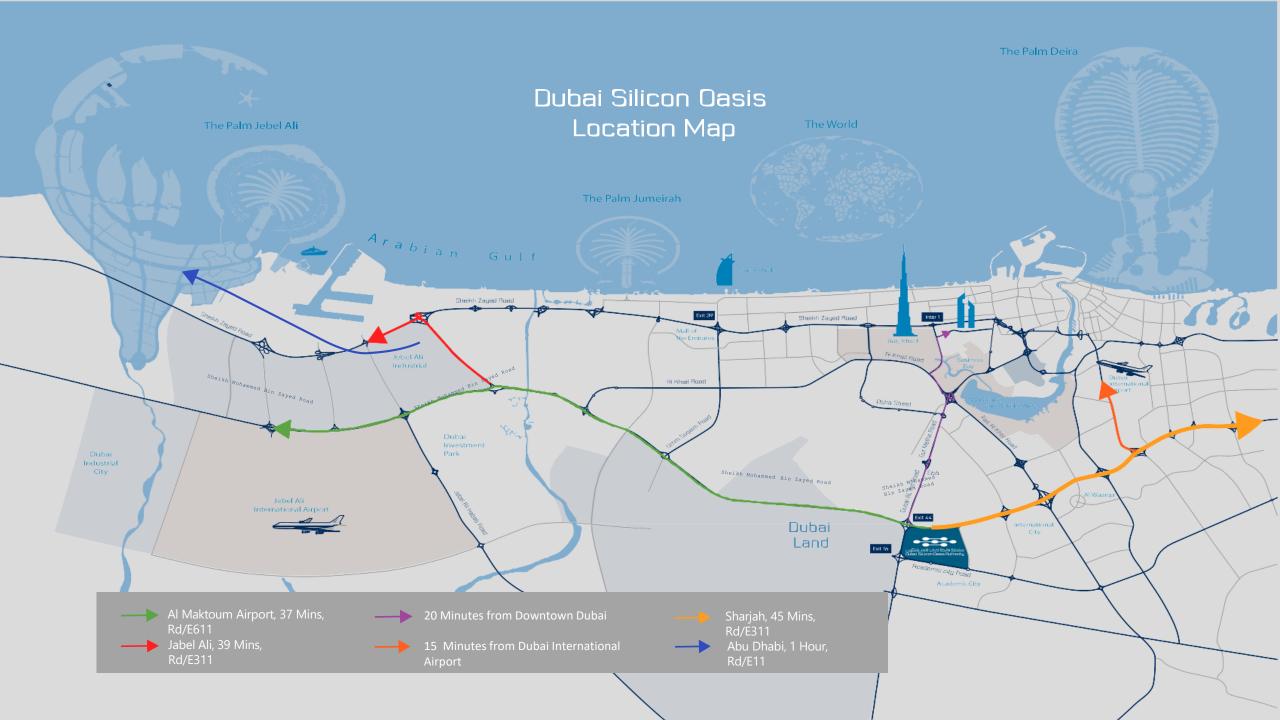
### **DUBAI 2040 MASTERPLAN**

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, launched one of the most ambitious Dubai 2040 Urban Master Plan, which aims to transform Dubai into the world's best city to live and work in.

The plan is highlighted by the allocation of 168 square kilometers for industrial and economic activities to support Dubai's position as a global hub for commerce and logistics and the doubling of areas for the tourism sector by 134%.

Development and investment will be focused on 5 main urban centers — which will support the growth of economic sectors and provide a wide range of lifestyle facilities.

**FIVE URBAN CENTERS including Dubai** Silicon Oasis to become the center for knowledge and innovation





## THE BUSINESS

## COMPANY PROFILES



**14,000+** LICENSES

**REGISTERED LICENSES** 



14,000+

**COMPANIES** 

**REGISTERED COMPANIES** 



350+

**RETAILERS** 

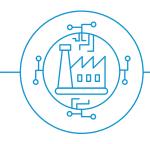
DIVERSE IN SIZE & BUSINESS



70+

**NATIONALITY** 

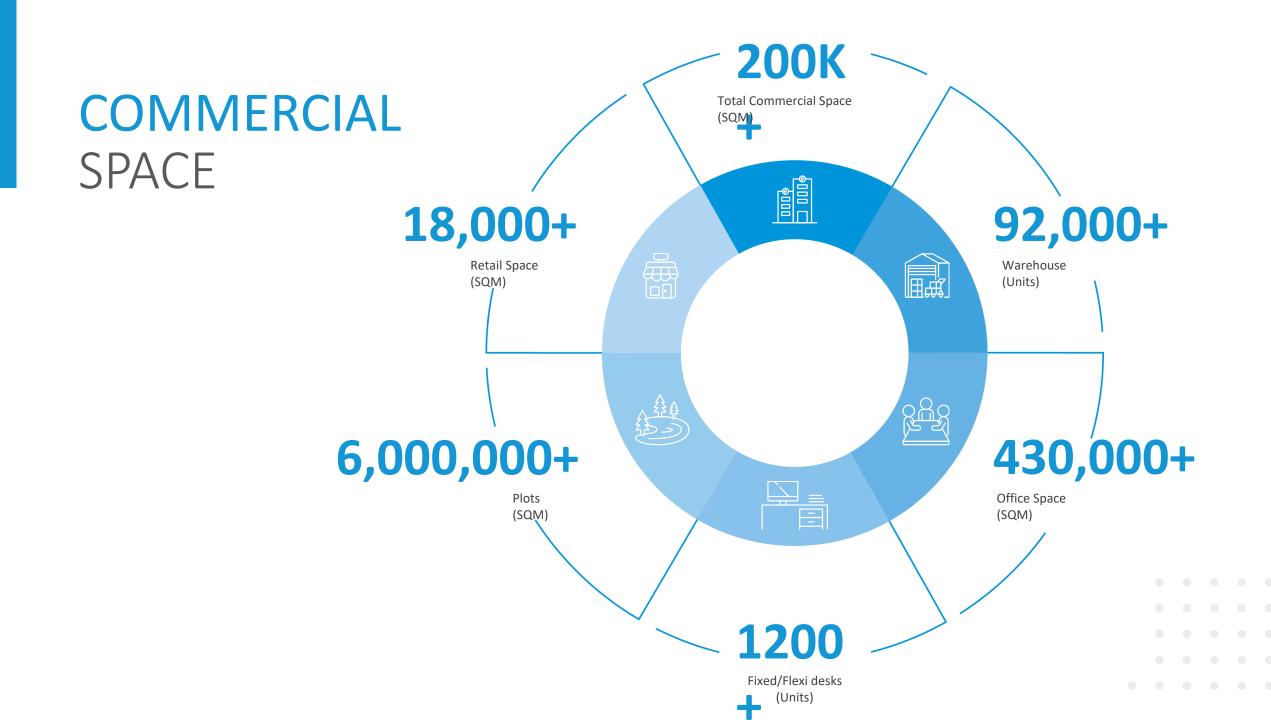
COMPANIES FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES



TECH,
MARKETING,
CONSULTING ETC

**INDUSTRY** 

**DOMINANT ACTIVITIES** 





# MULTINATIONALS IN DUBAI SILICON OASIS

DSO is home to a number of world class companies Orange, Avaya, Porsche, Schneider, Richo, Western Digital, Henkel, Land Rover, Wacker, Mitsubishi

























KANA RETAIL & LOUNGE





LIGHT INDUSTRIAL UNITS (LIU)







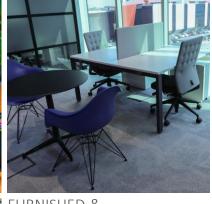
LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT

## BUSINESS SERVICES FACILITIES

- One stop shop to setup your business from 30sqm up until Warehouse spaces (In-house immigration, customs clearance, Municipality services, company registration, immigration and Visa processing)
- Range of office space That Meets Modren requirements
   (High speed intrenet, VOIP Connection, Data Center,
   Smart device , plug and play)
- Unique Package of LIUs/warehouses
   (Multipurpose usage, High Celling, Ample Parking, Loading Access, Office space, Ample Parking, AC, & 24/7 security)
- Shovel Ready Land FOR DEVELOPMENT
- Client Support



FLEXI DESKS



FURNISHED & UNFURNISHED OFFICES



FLEXI DESKS

# FLEXIBLE, SCALABLE AND AFFORDABLE OFFICE SPACES

All options come with freezone company setup & visa allocation as standard. Upgrade as your company grows.

spaces, slide, nap pods, climbing wall, games room and in house cafés provide ample opportunity to unwind, take a break and meet like minded entrepreneurs.





### DUBAI TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRENEURSHIP CAMPUS

A ready network of 1000+ tech entrepreneurs from 75+ countries and multiple industries work from Dtec's state of the art coworking space.



# DTEC IS INVESTING IN HIGH GROWTH STARTUPS

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# DTEC VENTURES PORTFOLIO



**360MEA** 360º live video streaming and virtual reality app



Algodriven
Data platform for vehicle appraisal



Cloud contact center solution



Clip The Deal
Digital grocery
coupon platform



eMushrif IoT logistics platform



Feesheh E-commerce platform for musical instruments Jibber Jabber Interactive smart calendar for students



Keno
On-demand
car care service



Melitoo Mobile marketplace for pre-loved items



Pointcheckout Loyalty reward points payment gateway



Qordoba Strings intelligence platform



ShortPoint Next generation web design platform



souKare
Health & wellness
ecommerce platform



**Statys AI** Risk-as-aservice platform



**Step Group**Digital new media group



The Luxury Closet (Exited)
Online marketplace for
pre-loved luxury items





Managed and on demand IT support



Voicea (Exited)
An Enterprise Voice Assistant for meeting productivity





# DTEC'S PARTNER ECOSYSTEM

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### DTEC IS SUCCESS



#### **ShortPoint**

- Incubated @ Dtec in 2013
- Introduced to SAP by Dtec in 2015
- Integrated into SAP Hana Cloud Portal 2015
- Multinational clients includ Microsoft, NASA, General Electric, BP, Volkswagen.
- Grown from team of 2 to 40+ in 8 years with 3 global offices
- Choose to remain in Dtec



#### Yallacompare

- Founded in 2011
- Dtec Ventures invested at Series A
- Grown from 2 founders to 120+ headcount
- Handle 75% of UAE's online insurance transactions
- Leading comparison site for financial & insurance products



#### Selfdrive.ae

- Founded in 2016
- Started with 1 founder in Dtec fixed desk
- Launched Selfdrive.ae 2017
- Onboarded dealerships include Toyota, Nissan, Kia, Renault, Jeep, Honda, Infinity
- Grown to a team of 24 in
- strategic Dtec office location

### **SMART ECONOMY** SMART DUBAI CITY ACCELERATOR



IoT & Connectivity Open city Data



Urban Automation & Mobility





Artificial Intelligence



**KEY FOCUS AREAS** 

Blockchain



Sustainable Cities & Living



Smart Government









#### **PARTICI** PANTS

Startups developing solutions that make cities smarter and tackle congestion, waste, and energy challenges.



Powered By















Operated By

#### AN INITIATIVE FOR STARTUPS





200+ hours of practical workshops, a-la-carte



\$150,000+ of in-kind credits from our partners



Regular pitch deck reviews and workshops



100+ hours of 1:1 mentoring with expert practitioners



Financial diagnostics to best position you for funding



Heavily subsidized business setup costs to reduce your burden



12 months of coworking space for you and your team (up to 4 people)



Tailored legal diagnostics and support



Access to renowned guest speakers who have walked-thewalk



Exposure to VCs and Angels across MENA



A like-minded community of highly ambitious founders



Local exposure at startup events

#### **Program Structure**

**SANDBOX** is uniquely structured around 6 pillars, to accelerate your learning



FINANCIAL DIAGNOSTICS
Deep dive diagnostics to
help you best prepare for
your funding rounds.



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT Building a product is one thing, building a scalable product is another.



WELLNESS+ Being a founder is incredibly stressful. SANDBOX prioritizes the mental health of you and your team.



TRACTION
From optimizing sales funnel conversion to enhancing web traffic, hit the ground running.



LEGAL SUPPORT \$3000 worth of legal support, plus 1:1s and workshops from startup lawyers.



SCALING
Grow your client base from 10-to100-to-1000+, whilst becoming
"investor ready"

LIVING LAB AND
TEST BED FOR
LATEST
TECHNOLOGIES





### DRIVERLESS CHALLENGE

DSO hosted the Dubai World Challenge for Self-Driving Transport



## VOLKSWAGEN MOBILITY CHALLENGE

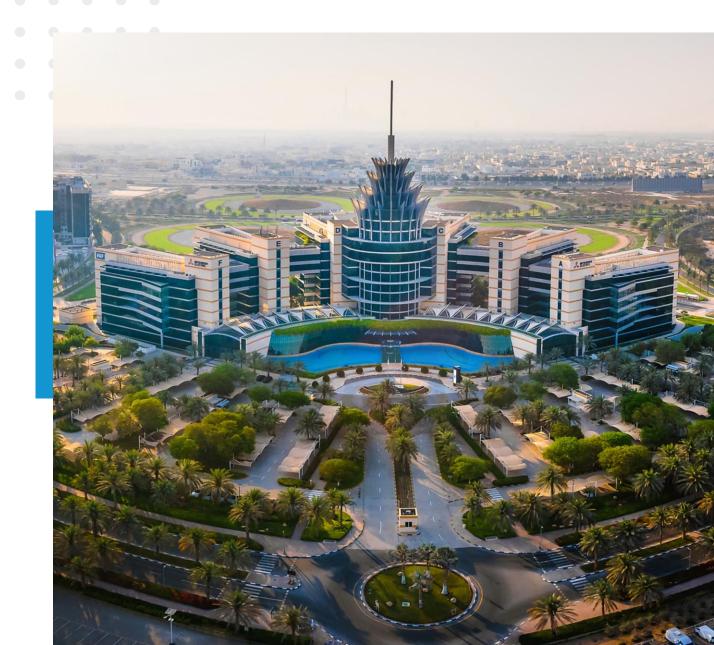
Dubai Silicon Oasis and Volkswagen ME Support Startups in Developing Innovative Mobility Initiatives



Dubai Silicon Oasis Authority And Volkswagen Announce Winning Team Of Mobility Challenge At Step Conference 2020



# THE COMMUNITY

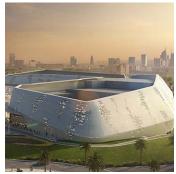




**COMMUNITY EVENT** 



CEDRE VILLAS



SILICON MALL



RADISSON RED HOTEL



**FAKEEH HOPITAL** 



RIT UNIVERSITY

VOTED
TOP 5
GREEN
COMMUNITIES
IN DUBAI

### 1: ECOSYSTEM

A fully Integrated Community

- Lesuire, lifestyle, & Sport facilities
   (Premier Inn, Rasisson Red, Silicon Mall, 2
   community Centers, Restourants, Cafes, Lounge,
   Fitness 4 life & Fitness First)
- Complete road network & easy access
- 24/7 Security (through CCTV, Staff, & Drone)
- Eco Friendly environment (Solar power, Reduced CO2 footprint, LEED Certification)
- Modern living (Cedre Villa, Semmer Villa, Apartments)
- Major hospital and clinics
- Walking tracks
- All education levels facilities (RIT university and 3 Gems schools and nurseries)





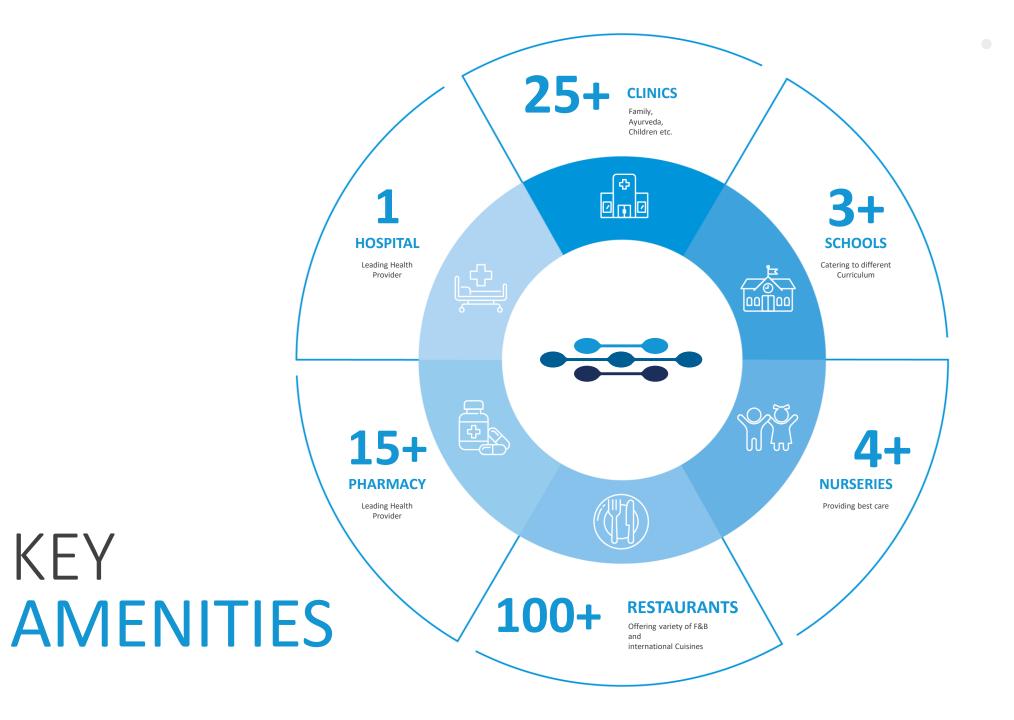
### DUBAI SILICON OASIS THE THE CITY

Invest, work, and live





- 90,000 people live in DSO
- 260 modren apartments
- 1767 villas with range of layouts
- DSO hosts a Unique mix community and corporate events:
- Tech Fourm Business seminars Santa Paw
- Movie Under the stars Motor show
- Arts installations 30x30 Challange Unity Run Community Market,
- Motor shows
- Chinese New years
- Smart buildings lead certified
- Green walls over 1 m sqm of green space 3000 sqm green roof



KEY

