

# HADEF & PARTNERS

## WORKSHOP: THE UAE IPO REGIME AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF ARBITRATION AWARDS

HadeF & Partners LLC is a leading independent UAE law firm, with more than 100 lawyers in Abu Dhabi and Dubai. Just as the UAE has developed since its formation in 1971, so have we. Founded in 1980 by Dr. HadeF Al Dhaheri, who served as Minister of Justice (2008-2014), we have grown to become an internationally respected, full-service business law firm supporting local, regional and international clients and government entities.

With more than 35 years of experience, we understand the laws, traditions, opportunities and challenges of our region. Our lawyers come from a diverse range of backgrounds, many having trained and practiced in Western and other Middle Eastern jurisdictions, with in-house as well as private practice experience. Our market leading team of advocates has rights of audience in all UAE courts and tribunals. Our lawyers are fluent in English, Arabic and most other leading business languages spoken in the region.

As a result of the quality and diversity of our lawyers we continue to be entrusted to advise on the most pioneering, complex and strategic projects and transactions in the UAE.

### At the forefront of the UAE Legal Market

We have played a significant role in the evolution of the legal framework in the UAE, drafting many of the laws currently in place and advising on a number of UAE legal firsts, including:

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| Bond issuance by an IWPP company   | Musataha agreement, in respect of the Abu Dhabi Central Market redevelopment  | Acted for the defendant in the very 1 <sup>st</sup> proceedings brought before Dubai World Tribunal |
| Litigation case where the result required the Supreme Court to reverse precedents                                  | Re-domiciliation of UAE-based mutual funds to Luxembourg  | Real Estate Investment Trust and Infrastructure Trust, for Nakheel                                  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> party to have successfully applied to the DIFC Court to enforce a Dubai Court judgment in the DIFC | Acted for the defendant on the claim involving the largest claim amount before the Dubai World Tribunal of over AED 1bn | Insurance of mandatory convertible bonds with high equity content                                   |

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