

# United Arab Emirates



Hisham Farouk CEO

"At Grant Thornton we believe that no value is added if audit firms are mostly there to rubber stamp opinions. With our expertise and close partner involvement together with the significant pool of international experience, true value is created. We aspire to provide excellence and quality in everything we do."

## **Hisham Farouk**

# Who we are

Grant Thornton was founded in 1966 in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and is one of UAE's leading assurance and advisory firms dedicated to serving the needs of privately held businesses, public interest entities and family owned businesses. With considerable experience in many fields, the firm has clients in trading, leisure & hospitality, financial

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	United Arab Emirates	Global
Revenues US\$		4.6 billion
Personnel	150	42,000
Offices	2	729
*As at 30 September 20	115	

services, transportation, manufacturing and real estate and construction amongst others.

We offer a bespoke and tailored service solution to meet our client's business needs and priorities, and have realigned our services by developing a <u>growth lifecycle</u>. This enables us to support our clients at each phase of their business cycle whilst continuing to add value and distinction at each touch point.

## **Our clients**

Our clients operate within a number of sectors primarily leisure & hospitality, real estate and construction and financial services. We service some of the largest family owned and listed companies in the region who have the attributes of a dynamic organisation. Through our relationship building approach, we have worked with these clients through their business lifecycle supporting them from concept through to growth.

At Grant Thornton UAE we pride ourselves on advising dynamic businesses who have an ambition to grow.

# What we do

The firm delivers a full range of accounting audit and advisory services to the country's key industries, these services include:

#### Assurance

Our firm provides a full range of assurance services in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. We are also committed to giving our clients value for money; providing them with commercially minded assistance and advice, in addition to meeting our obligations to our clients and to the outside world as an independent auditor.

#### Advisory

Our wide range of advisory services include:

- business risk services
- transaction advisory
- technology advisory
- business consulting
- forensic
- corporate and outsourcing.

# Where we are

We have two offices across the UAE; located in the heart of the financial centre in Dubai and Abu Dhabi. We provide our services throughout the seven emirates in the UAE

#### How we work

The extensive local and regional knowledge gained through the years has supported the development of the firm's reputation for providing a distinctive client service to its local, national and international client base.

We are actively engaged with the Dubai Chamber of Commerce, Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce, and act in all free zones across the seven emirates.

We are registered with the Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA) and can therefore provide various services to our clients who wish to register with the DFSA, whilst offering a range of services to regulated entities

We work as a strong connected team in order to ensure that our clients experience the very best of what Grant Thornton UAE has to offer. Finally, each engagement is personally supervised by a partner to ensure we deliver what we promise: high quality service at a fair price.

# **Why Grant Thornton**

At Grant Thornton UAE we have been focused and dedicated on delivering value for our clients whilst supporting the development of people and the economy.

#### **Our global organisation**

Grant Thornton is one of the world's leading organisations of independent assurance, tax and advisory firms. These firms help dynamic organisations unlock their potential for growth by providing meaningful, actionable advice. Proactive teams, led by approachable partners in these firms, use insights, experience and instinct to understand complex issues for privately owned, publicly listed and public sector clients and help them to find solutions. More than 42,000 Grant Thornton people, across over 130 countries, are focused on making a difference to clients, colleagues and the communities in which we live and work.

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