# A WORLD OF NEW POSSIBILITIES



**Empowering** Enterprise<sup>™</sup>

























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# UAE: BUILT ON A FOUNDATION OF VISION & PROSPERITY

The United Arab Emirates (UAE) sits proudly between Europe, Africa and Asia, a thriving, contemporary and cosmopolitan country with an eye on the future. Throughout its history, as well as from its establishment as an independent sovereign state in 1971, the UAE has been known for consistently developing its infrastructure and remains focused on offering investors attractive benefits – both commercially and socially.

These benefits are underpinned by technological innovations and the vision of its leaders, primarily through the creation of versatile economic free zones. Since inception, the UAE provides foreign investors with initiatives designed to foster their growth. For example, UAE Vision 2021 outlines the creation of an even more investor-friendly tax environment, while the country's extensive double tax treaty (DTT) network further cements its stronghold as a business hub.

The country's robust economic zones not only offer investors a broad range of commercial activities and infrastructure, but safety in its ability to adapt and withstand different external factors.





Located in the UAE, Sharjah is home to several commercial, educational and cultural institutions, as well as five-star hotels and vibrant communities of both locals and expats.

The third-largest emirate in the UAE, it is widely recognised as the nation's cultural capital, industrial hub and education hotspot. Over the past few decades, Sharjah has developed a robust ecosystem offering a solid infrastructure for businesses.

The only emirate with ports on the coast of both the Arabian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman – Sharjah is integral to the global supply chain with excellent shipping networks across the world.

The emirate has achieved immense success in developing its industrial and manufacturing sector through a network of free zones and industrial zones that continue to develop and expand.

# **SHARJAH:**

- Third-largest emirate in the UAE
- The only emirate overlooking the Arabian Gulf and The Gulf of Oman
- Moody's Stable Rating of A-3
- Moody's Standard & Poor's rating of BBB+
- Sharjah Credit Ratings of A3
- FDI flow of AED 5.97 billion in 2017
- Cumulative international investments of AED 36 billion in 2017
- Non-oil GDP of AED 89 billion in 2018

# **EMPOWERING**ENTERPRISE<sup>TM</sup>

Success is a consequence of smart choices at the right time and Hamriyah Free Zone presents a wide range of choices for your business to flourish.

Established in 1995 by Emiri Decree, Hamriyah Free Zone is ideally located in the Emirate of Sharjah, UAE, offering economically viable incorporation services including modern infrastructure, logistics, investor connectivity and critical operations support for its investors, encouraging regional, international trade and commerce.

We are the epicentre of excellence, offering progressive enterprises a commercial framework that contributes to their sustainable growth, in a trusted and stable manner.

- World-class facilities including offices, state-of-the-art warehouses and prime industrial land.
- Strategic location to access global markets.
- 360-degree connectivity with strong land, sea and air network.
- 60 minutes to set up your business.

# **30 MILLION SQUARE METRES**

2<sup>ND</sup> LARGEST INDUSTRIAL FREE ZONE IN THE UAE

MORE THAN

6,500+ INVESTORS

INVESTORS FROM

**163 COUNTRIES** 



HAMRIYAH FREE ZONE AUTHORITY EMPOWERING ENTERPRISE™

# WHAT WE STAND FOR

# **OUR VISION**

Add value to the esteemed Emirate of Sharjah by creating an environment that attracts reputable asset-based industries, quality trading and commercial organisations.

# **OUR MISSION**

To be the most cost-effective, efficient and profitable free zone in the region, delivering a commitment to excellence that leads to the sustainable development of highly skilled human resources.

# **OUR CORE VALUES**

# Integrity

We are honest, transparent and believe

# Intelligence

We are dynamic thinkers who present and always mindful to build engaging relationships and equitable partnerships.

# Innovation

for new answers and feel energised when changing world.

# Inspiration

We are well-spirited, positive and promise and believe that a sustainable future



The Economics of Excellence embodies our vision to be the vanguards of growth and prosperity for both our investors and stakeholders.

These four pillars define both our culture and strategy to ensure we stay ahead, on your behalf.

# CONVENIENCE

We believe business should be simple to incorporate and manage, so all our services are designed to optimise efficiencies and provide you absolute peace of mind.

# **COLLABORATION**

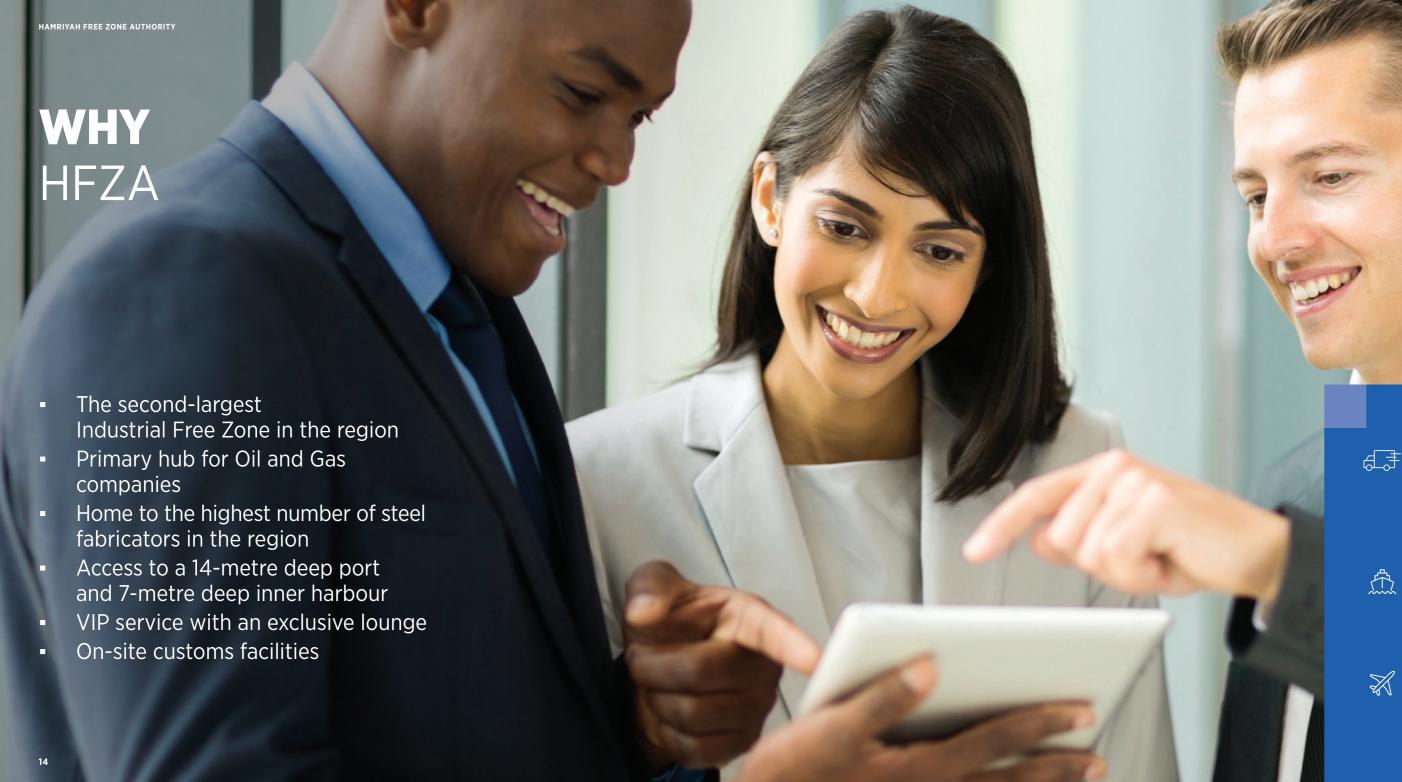
We believe organisations succeed if there is a culture of inclusivity, collaboration and dialogue between all stakeholders. We work hand-in-hand with our investors to ensure we drive value where relevant.

# CONNECTIVITY

In a globalised world, we recognise that businesses must have direct and easy access to emerging markets, investors, suppliers and customers. We are ideally located to connect three continents and be a facilitator for international trade.

# **COMMERCE**

Cost-efficient rates and service fees underpin our culture of astute fiscal governance and support for all our investors. We focus on the success and growth of our investors and customers with a holistic viewpoint on driving optimal value.



# **INVESTOR BENEFITS**

- Business set-up in less than 60 minutes
- Full foreign ownership permitted
- 100% repatriation of capital and profits
- No customs duty on import, export and re-export
- No corporate and income taxes
- VAT designated zone
- Convenient access to 300+ online services for visas, renewals and other services
- Effective and efficient call centre
- An array of licenses, including commercial, service and industrial
- Competitive lease rates for industrial plots, pre-fabricated warehouses and office units
- Highly developed infrastructure and telecommunications link
- 24-hour security and CCTV within the Free Zone
- On-site labour accommodation with recreation centres
- On-site medical facilities

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LAND

SEA

**AIR** 

Via the award-winning Sharjah International Airport providing convenient access to 230 cities around the world.

Located in the only emirate with ports

on the Arabian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman.

Direct road access to the other six emirates

(Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Umm Al Quwain, Ras Al Khaimah,

Ajman and Fujairah) and neighboring GCC countries.

# **CUSTOMISED** SOLUTIONS TAILORED TO YOUR BUSINESS

Hamriyah Free Zone offers investors the opportunity to open a company in one of six diverse sectors. Each business activity is equipped with a range of solutions, including office spaces, warehouses and industrial plots supported by attractive packages and simplified procedures.



# **HFZA SECTORS**



### **OIL AND GAS**

- Exploration
- Extraction
- Refinery
- Manufacturing
- Storage
- Transportation
- Distribution
- Petrochemicals trading
- Engineering services
- Repair and maintenance of equipment



### **FOOD PARK**

- Manufacturing
- Processing and Preserving
- Packaging and Repackaging
- Warehousing
- Logistics
- Trading



### **GLOBAL LOGISTICS PARK**

- Storage
- Logistics
- Distribution
- E-commerce fulfillment center
- Consumer packaged goods
- Transportation
- Packaging and Repackaging services
- Freight forwarding



### **INDUSTRIAL** MANUFACTURING PARK

- Steel
- Timber
- Building materials
- Machinery and Equipment
- Used clothing
- Paper and paper products
- Plastics
- Perfumes
- Furniture and Fixtures
- Glass
- Engineering



# **MARITIME INDUSTRY**

- Offshore and Onshore works
- Offshore fabrication and installation
- Ship and boat building
- Manufacturing of oil rigs
- Engineering and related services
- Trading of marine equipment
- Ship management consultancy



# **ACCELERATOR HUB**

- E-commerce Tech startups
- Consultancy and professional services
- Representative offices
- General Trading
- Software and Web development
- Telemarketing
- Research & development facilities



# OIL & GAS

# Fuel your future at the world's seventh-largest proven crude oil reserves, the UAE.

With an oil and gas zone spanning more than 180,000 square metres, Hamriyah Free Zone offers a host of integrated solutions for upstream, midstream and downstream projects.

Hamriyah Free Zone is also the second-largest petrochemical hub in the UAE, benefitting from a dedicated zone, easy access to core markets and a suite of professional services designed to help your business reach its fullest potential.

# **SUB-SECTORS**

Exploration Extraction

Refinery

Manufacturing

Storage

Transportation

Distribution

Petrochemicals trading

**Engineering services** 

Repair and maintenance of equipment



**1.2 MILLION SQM** 

LEASED LAND AREA FOR STORAGE

900+

STORAGE TANKS

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# **FOOD PARK**

Investors are well served by a host of exclusive value-added services tailored to those within the Food Park:

Our team of food safety experts are at hand to ensure you achieve high economies of scale with operational ease.

We help facilitate the following services:

- Interface with Sharjah Municipality and other relevant regulatory bodies
- Food safety and quality training, food testing and lab services, consultancy and certification services
- Engagement with food experts, consultants and food business investors
- Coaching and mentoring for 100% compliance
- Warehousing, manufacturing, packaging, distribution and logistics facilities

# **SUB-SECTORS**

Manufacturing

**Processing and Preserving** 

Packaging and Repackaging

Warehousing

Logistics

Trading



# INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING PARK

Build your business with over

# 30 MILLION SQM OF INFRASTRUCTURE

engineered to support the steel, timber, telecommunications and appliance industries at Hamriyah Free Zone.

We have the largest number of steel fabricators in the region, providing a world-class foundation bolstered by investor-oriented management and long-term land leases of up to 25 years.



# **SUB-SECTORS**

Steel

Timber

**Building materials** 

**Machinery and Equipment** 

**Used Clothing** 

Paper and paper products

**Plastics** 

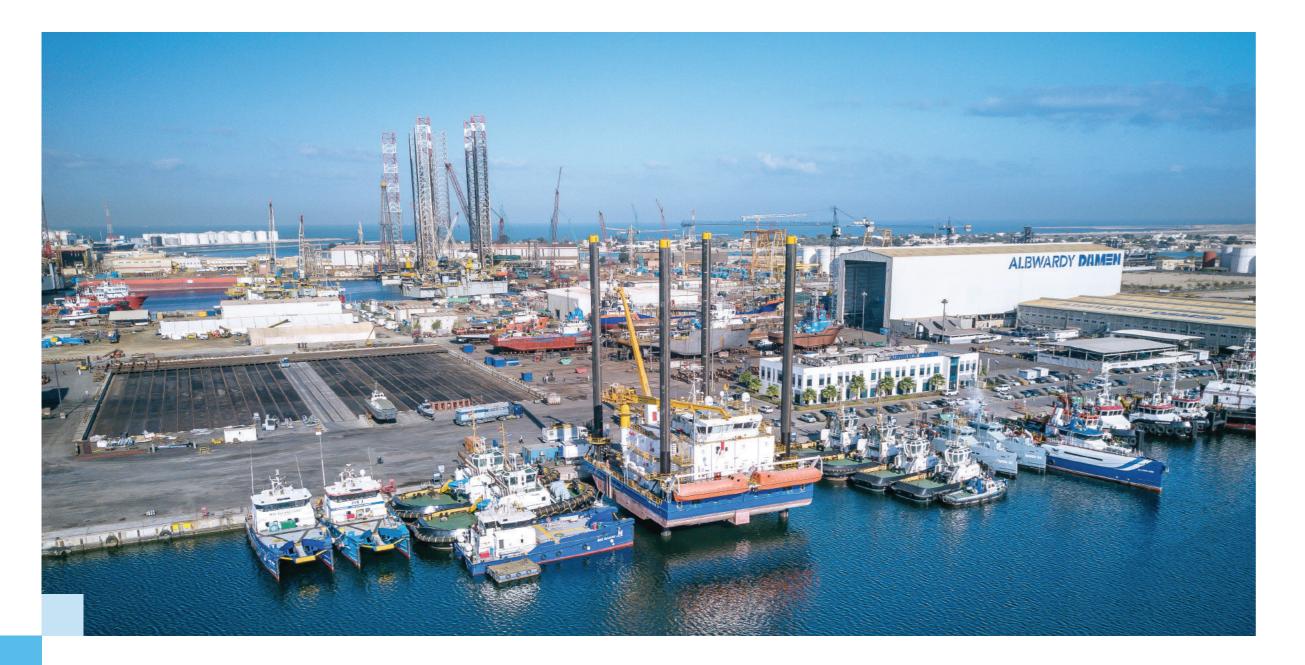
Perfumes

Furniture and Fixtures

Glass

Engineering

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# **MARITIME INDUSTRY**

Be a part of the UAE's USD 60 billion maritime industry at Hamriyah Free Zone.



Providing access to the

# **14-M DEEP** WATER PORT, 7-M DEEP INNER **HARBOUR**

and integrated marine area including plots of land, we help ship builders and investors alike expand operations while exploring horizontal and vertical integration opportunities.

Lease plots of land with convenient access to sea starting from 5,000 sqm.

We offer license options for activities including rig and shipbuilding, repair, ship conversion, offshore fabrication and ship chandlery.

We offer state-of-the-art infrastructure and services, supporting our investors with all the business tools needed to sail forward into the future.

# **SUB-SECTORS**

Offshore and Onshore works

Offshore fabrication and installation

Ship and boat building

Manufacturing of oil rigs

**Engineering and related services** 

Trading of marine equipment

Ship management consultancy

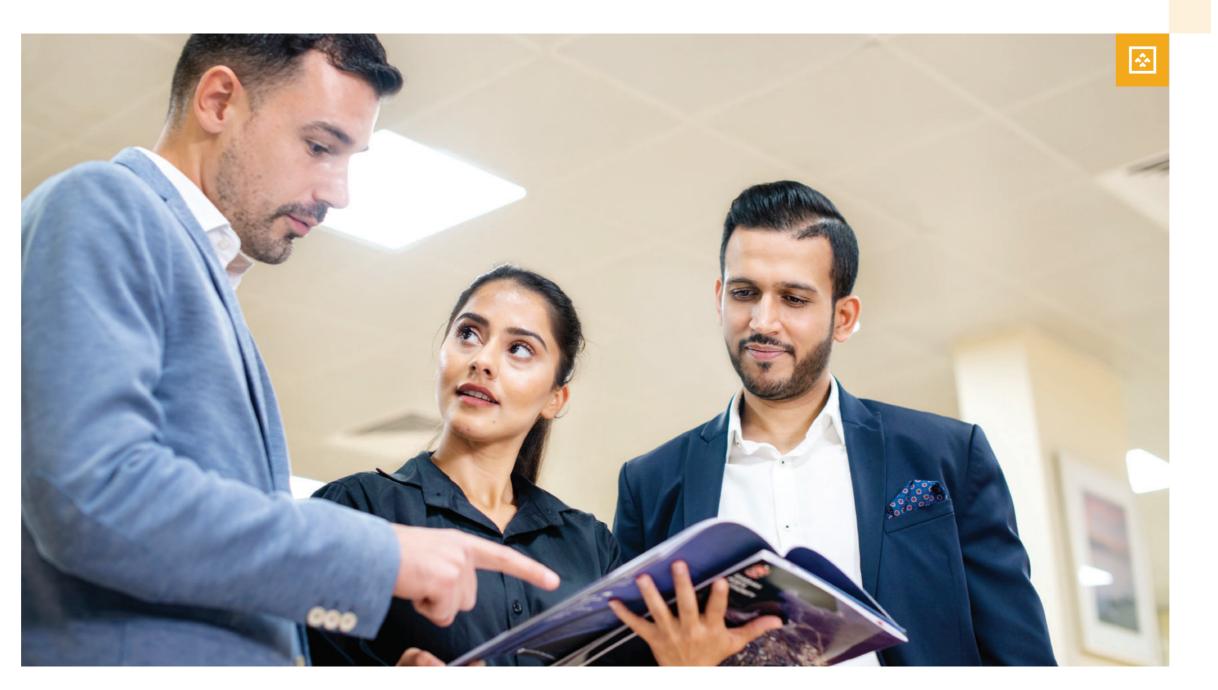
# **ACCELERATOR HUB**

At Hamriyah Free Zone Authority, we specialise in working with SMEs across key sectors, providing invaluable support and expertise at every step of the way.

From cost-effective office rentals to efficient licensing procedures and a host of attractive packages available, our team of specialists is dedicated to your growth.

Whether operating locally, regionally or globally, Hamriyah Free Zone's unrivalled connectivity allows you to do business with the right people seamlessly.

Our economical consultancy packages are tailored to small operations and are quick to set-up as well. Ideal for entrepreneurs or businesses with up to six employees, these packages include consultancy licenses and office spaces.



# **SUB-SECTORS:**

E-commerce

Tech startups

Consultancy and professional services

Representative offices

**General Trading** 

Software and Web development

Telemarketing

Research & development facilities

# GLOBAL LOGISTICS PARK

Enjoy seamless connectivity with your customers via the Global Logistics Park.

The only emirate with ports on the coast of both the Arabian Gulf and the Indian Ocean – Sharjah is integral to the global supply chain with excellent shipping networks across the world.

Take advantage of the three world-class seaports as well as an international airport that welcomes an average of 153 flights from 85 countries per day, enabling entry into competitive markets in the MENA region and beyond.

- Full-service distribution infrastructure will support you via land, sea and air
- Excellent telecommunication links and customs procedures for efficient movement of goods



# **SUB-SECTORS**

Storage

Logistics

Distribution

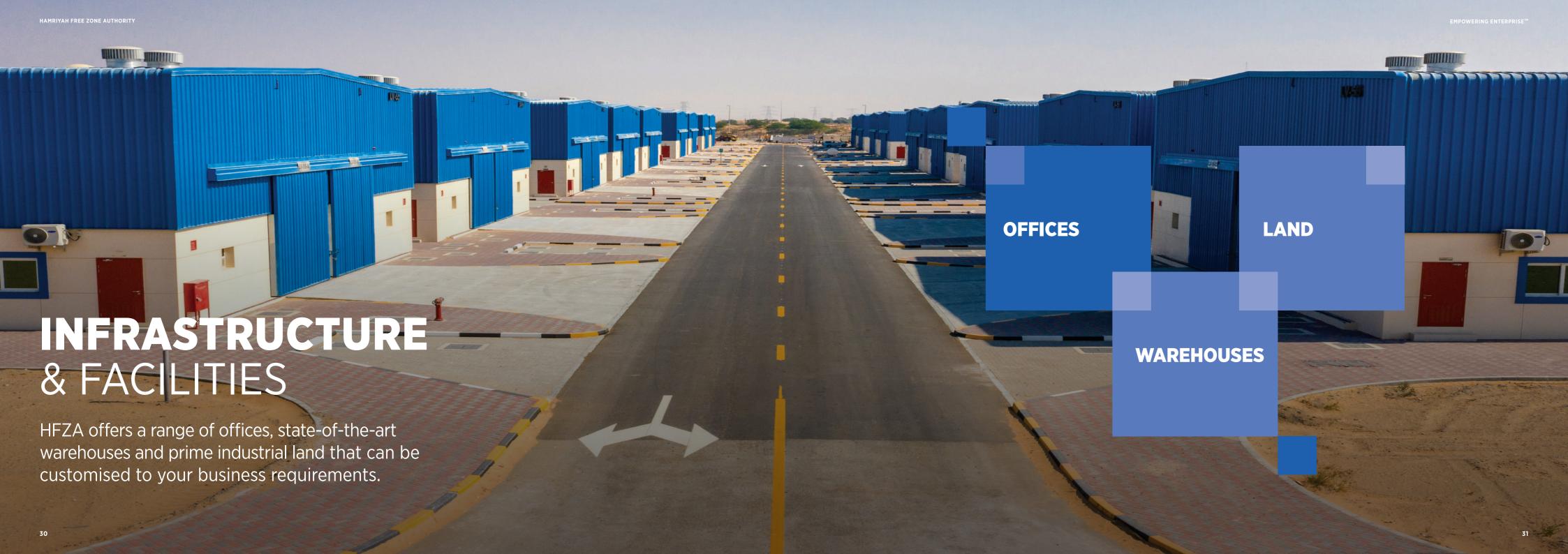
E-commerce fulfillment center

Consumer packaged goods

Transportation

Packaging and Repackaging services

Freight forwarding



# **OFFICES**

# START UP SMART BUSINESS BUSINESS

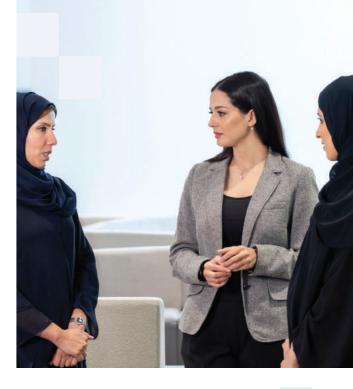
		Package	Package 1	Package 2	Package 3	Package 4
AREA	•	N/A	10 sqm	10 sqm	10 sqm	10 sqm
LEGAL STATUS	•	FZE	FZE	FZE/FZC	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary
SHAREHOLDERS	•	1	1	1 - 3	1-5	1-5
LICENSE	•	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service
ACTIVITY	•	(3) Product categories or (3) Service activities	(3) Product categories or (3) Service activities	(3) Product categories or (3) Service activities	(5) Product categories or (5) Service activities	General Trading or Service activity
VISAS	•	1	4	4	6	7

# STANDARD BUSINESS

# SUPREME BUSINESS

Package 1	Package 2	Package 1	Package 2	Package 3
15 sqm	20 sqm	25 sqm	32 sqm	40 sqm
FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary	FZE/FZC/Branch/ Subsidiary
1-5	1-5	1-5	1-5	1-5
Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service	Commercial or Service
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7	8	8	10	12

We offer cost-effective offices and licensing options to support aspiring entrepreneurs. From contract signing, international expansion to our wide range of services and facilities, we help you reach your business goals.





We offer international standard, pre-fabricated warehouses to suit your business requirements.

These light industrial units provide appropriate electrical loads and lighting and are equipped with roller doors and a loading bay.

- Sizes available: 200, 276, 400 and 600 sqm
- Ideal for light to medium industrial units and storage
- Warehouse space includes reception, offices, toilets and pantry
- Multiple power load capacities ranging from 20kW, 30kW, 50kW, 100kW, 120kW and 150kW
- 7-metre and 9-metre in height
- Dedicated loading area for each unit
- Provision to construct mezzanine floor
- Car parking bays in front of each unit
- Ready infrastructure with electricity, water and telecommunications
- Integrated fire alarm and sprinkler system

### EMPOWERING ENTERPRISE™

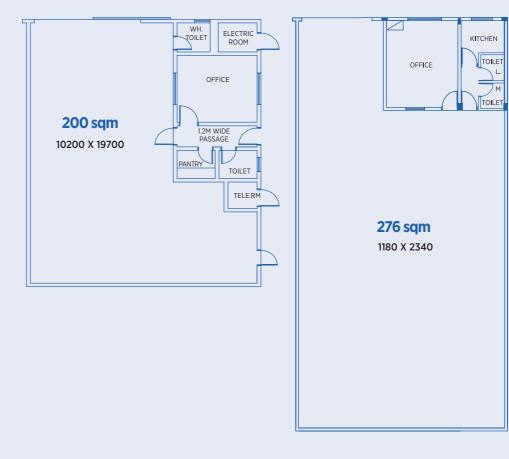
# WAREHOUSE FLOOR PLANS

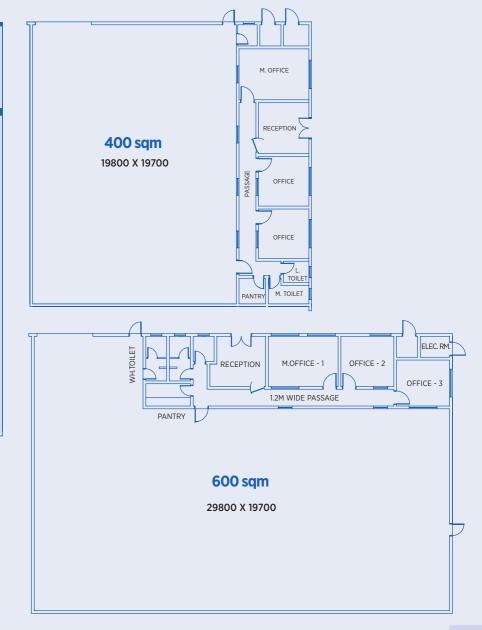
Our 200 sqm, 276 sqm, 400 sqm and 600 sqm multi-power enabled warehouses feature a dedicated storage area, a reception, washroom(s), parking space and private office spaces.













Build your business in

30 MILLION SQM
of prime industrial land.

Plots starting from **2500 SQM** 

- Rent holiday during construction and competitive lease rates
- Prime industrial and commercial land including sea facing plots
- Minimum first 5-years fixed land rates
- 25-year renewable lease
- Flexible visa quota
- Well networked road infrastructure
- Plots can be developed up to 60% as per requirements
- Dedicated labour accommodation with recreational facilities
- Extensive network for transportation, power, water and waste management
- 24-hour security within the Free Zone
- Access to main port with 14-metre deep water port and 7-metre deep inner harbour
- Strategic location that links all seven emirates and neighboring GCC countries

# **TYPES**OF LICENSES



# **COMMERCIAL LICENSE**

### TRADING

This license allows the holder to import, export, sell, distribute and store items specified on the license.

### **GENERAL TRADING**

This license allows trading (import, export) of unlimited number of products.

### E-COMMERCE

This license allows the holder to carry out trading of goods and services over electronic network.



# **SERVICE LICENSE**

This license allows the holder to conduct services or consultancy services listed on the license.



# INDUSTRIAL LICENSE

This license allows the holder to import raw materials for the purpose of manufacturing, processing and/or assembly of specified products, packaging and exporting of the finished products.

Licenses for additional activities, which may not specifically be mentioned here, can be issued on a subject to approval basis.



# TYPES OF LEGAL STATUS

### FZE - FREE ZONE ESTABLISHMENT

A Limited Liability Establishment owned by one natural or juridical person with a distinct legal entity and an independent financial liability.

### FZC - FREE ZONE COMPANY

A Limited Liability Company owned by more than one shareholder with a distinct legal entity and an independent financial liability.

### BRANCH OR SUBSIDIARY COMPANY

Branch: Branch of a foreign or a local company.

Subsidiary: Subsidiary is a company that is owned more than 50% by another company.

# KICK START YOUR BUSINESS IN 4 EASY STEPS

# 1. Sales Meeting

Choose your type of license
Choose your type of legal status
Choose your type of facility
Register your inquiry



# 2. License Issuance

Apply for required trade license and lease agreement

Handover of operational facility



# 3. Security Approval and Establishment Card

Apply for security approval and establishment card





# 4. Immigration

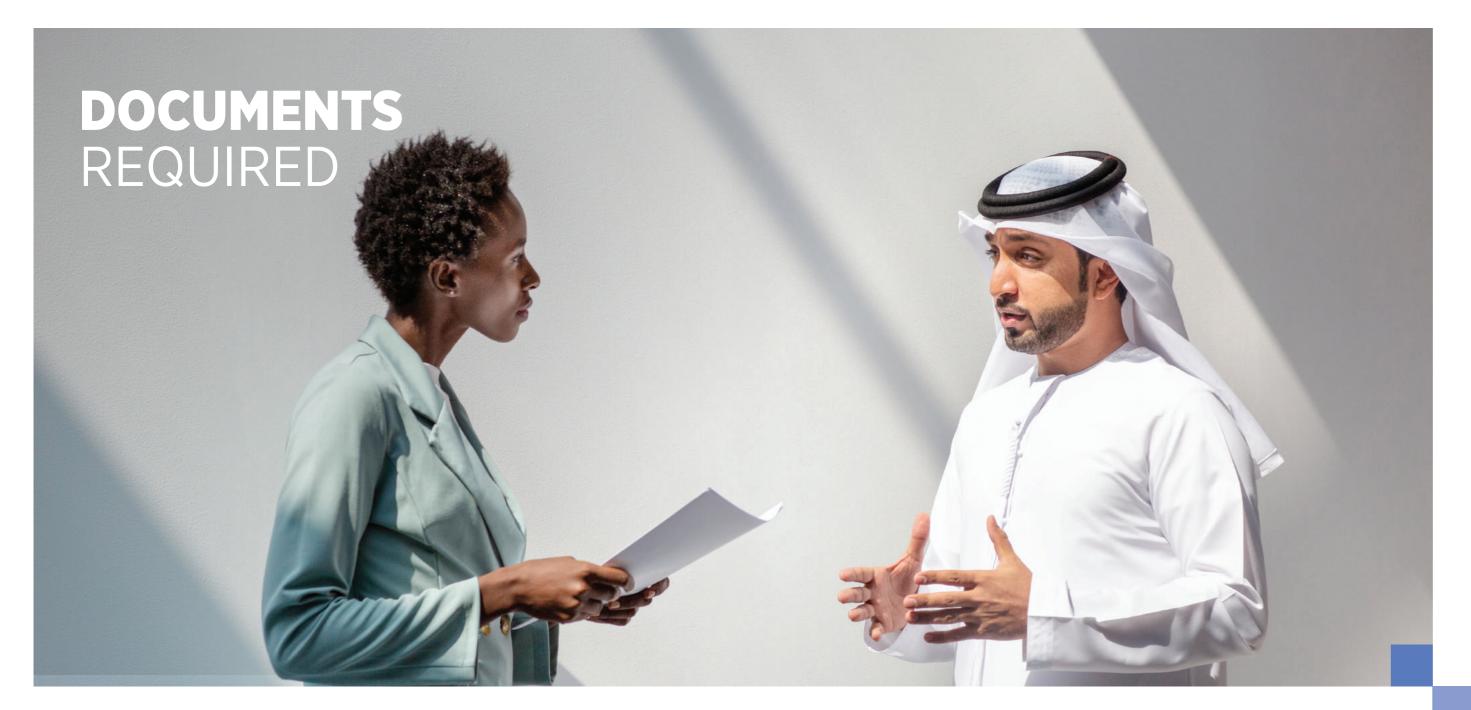
Open your e-channel account

Complete your visa application and medical

Obtain your Emirates ID and visa stamping







DOCUMENTS	FZE	FZC	BRANCH OR SUBSIDIARY COMPANY
Passport copy of Manager		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Passport copy of Shareholder(s)	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	
Passport copy of Director(s)			<b>√</b>
Visit / Tourist Visa copy of Manager		$\checkmark$	✓
Visit / Tourist Visa copy of Shareholder(s)	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
Visit / Tourist Visa copy of Director(s)			$\checkmark$
No Objection Letter from current sponsor attested from Chamber of Commerce (if holding a valid UAE employment visa)	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓
License copy of the parent company*			✓
Certificate of Incorporation of the parent company*			$\checkmark$
Memorandum and Articles of Association of the parent company			<b>√</b>
Board resolution for opening branch or subsidiary in Hamriyah Free Zone, mentioning the appointed director, manager*		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$

<sup>\*</sup> For a local company, the documents need to be attested by the Economic Department or the Free Zone Authority where the company is incorporated

<sup>\*</sup> For a foreign company, the company documents have to be notarised and attested by the UAE Embassy in the country of origin

# A COMMUNITY FOR BUSINESS & LIFE

At Hamriyah Free Zone, all your requirements are handled efficiently and on-site by dedicated personnel in world-class infrastructure.

Some of the many facilities that you can benefit from at the free zone are:

- VIP Investors Lounge
- Customs office
- Currency exchanges
- Banks
- Supermarkets
- Fully equipped recreational centres for workers
- Sharjah Civil Defence
- Regular public transport
- Labour accommodation



















# **AWARDS** & RECOGNITIONS

# A TRACK RECORD OF EXCELLENCE

# ONE OF THE UAE'S STRONGEST BRANDS FOR 5 CONSECUTIVE YEARS (2017-2021)

Superbrands

# ASIA ONE ASIAN BUSINESS AND SOCIAL INVESTOR FORUM

India World's Greatest Brands & Leaders - "UAE's Fastest Growing Brands 2018-19"

# BEST REGIONAL ENTERPRISE & MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Achievements Forum 2019

### **QUALITY CHOICE PRIZE 2019**

European Society for Quality Research (ESQR)

# ASIA ONE ASIAN BUSINESS AND SOCIAL INVESTOR FORUM

- Asia & GCC World's Greatest Brands & Leaders" for 2017-18 and 2018-19
- Free Zone and Preferred Investment Destination 2017-18

# FASTEST GROWING FREE TRADE ZONE - UAE 2019

Global Business Outlook

# FDI FREE ZONE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

# 2018

3 Categories

- Highly Commended Large Tenants, Middle East
- Infrastructure Upgrades
- Connectivity'

### 2017

4 Categories

- Highly Commended
- Large Tenants, Middle East
- Infrastructure Upgrades
- Start-up Support
- Red Tape Reduction

# FASTEST GROWING FREE ZONE - UAE 2018

International Finance Awards 2018

# **BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

BIZZ 2018 Awards

# BEST GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION SERVICE - UAE

Arabian Business Excellence Awards

# INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

2nd place in International Business Excellence (IBX) Awards 2017 in 'Government Services' and 'Strategy, Change and Transformation'



# **KEY INVESTORS**





























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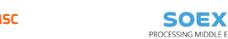
























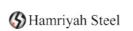
























































































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