

Nominees for Board of Directors Membership 2023 - 2026

Dubai Islamic Bank P.J.S.C

H.E. Mohammad Al Shaibani

Non-Executive, Non-Independent Nominee



H.E. Mohammed Ibrahim Al Shaibani is the Director General of H.H. the Dubai Ruler's Court, a prime government body of the Emirate. He is also the Managing Director of the Investment Corporation of Dubai (ICD), the principal investment arm of the Government of Dubai. Since 1998, H.E. Al Shaibani has held the position of President at the Dubai Office, a Private Management office for the Royal Family of Dubai.

H.E. Al Shaibani serves as Vice Chair of the Supreme Fiscal Committee of Dubai, which oversees Dubai's fiscal policies. He is also a member of Dubai's Executive Council, an entity charged with supervising and supporting Dubai's government bodies. H.E. Al Shaibani was also Deputy Chair of the Higher Committee of World Expo 2020.

H.E. Al Shaibani serves as Chair of the Board of Directors at Nakheel Properties, the world-leading property developer with innovative landmark projects in Dubai, including the award-winning iconic "Palm Jumeirah" and "The World Jumeirah Islands". H.E Al Shaibani is also a member of the board at several government-related organizations including Dubai World and Vice Chairman of Dubai Aerospace Enterprise Limited. In 2009, His Excellency played a pivotal role in restructuring the finances of some of Dubai's government related entities.

H.E Al Shaibani graduated in 1988 from United States and holds a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science.



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Eng. Yahya Saeed Ahmad Nasser Lootah

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Mr. Lootah has over 20 years' experience with S.S. Lootah Group, a leading diversified business based in Dubai which is active across key business sectors ranging from construction, real estate, energy and financial services, applied research, ICT, education, hospitality, media and healthcare. He currently serves as the Chairman of the S.S. Lootah Group. Under his leadership, S.S. Lootah Group has received, amongst others, the Mohammed Bin Rashid Business Award and the Dubai Award for Sustainable Transport.

In addition, Mr. Lootah served as member of the Board of Directors of the Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry, as well as a member of the Board of Trustees of Dubai Medical College and the Advisory Board of the Faculty of Engineering at the American University in Dubai.

Mr. Lootah holds a degree in Civil Architectural Engineering as well as a Master's of Science degree in Engineering from University of Bridgeport, Connecticut.

H.E. Hamad Mubarak Buamim

Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Hamad Buamim is the Chairman of the Board of Dubai Multi-Commodities Center (DMCC). He is also the Chairman of National General Insurance (PJSC), Vice Chairman of Deyaar Properties (PJSC), and a Board Member of Dubai World, Economic Zones World (JAFZA), Dubai Islamic Bank (PJSC), and International Hotel Investment (PLC, Malta).

Previously, Mr. Buamim served as the President & CEO of Dubai Chamber of Commerce (2006 to 2022). He was also the Chairman of the ICC World Chambers Federation (Paris) (2018-2022) and a member of the Board of the UAE Central Bank (2012-2018).

Mr. Buamim was also involved on the Board of Directors of many organizations, including Emirates NBD PJSC, Emirates Financial Services, Emirates NBD Capital, Network International, Union Properties PJSC, Dubai International Financial Center (DIFC), Dubai Aerospace Enterprise, Emirates District Cooling (Emicool), Al Shafar General Contracting (ASGC), Inchcape Shipping Services (London), CityCenter Holdings (Las Vegas), Kerzner International Holdings, Atlantis the Palm, and others.

Educated in the USA, Mr. Buamim holds MBA with honor in Finance from the University of Missouri, Kansas City. He also obtained a Bachelor of Science with Magna Cum Laude in Electrical Engineering from the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.



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Mr. Abdulla Hamad Rahma Al Shamsi
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Mr. Al Shamsi served as the Chairman of Dubai Properties Group from May 2012 until 2015 and was also a member of the Board of Directors for Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Co. from March 2007 until March 2018. He was also the General Manager for United Arab Shipping Agencies Co. until 2014.

Previously, Mr. Al Shamsi served as the Chairman for Middle East Container Repair until 2013 and was a founding member and treasurer for the UAE Tennis Association until 2010.

Mr. Al Shamsi obtained a Bachelor of Science degree, Business and Public Administration with a major in Finance and Economics from New York University in 1981.

Mr. Hamad Abdulla Rashed Obaid Al Shamsi
Non-Executive, Non-Independent Nominee



Mr. Al Shamsi serves as the Chairman of Amanat Holding PJSC. He served as the Chief Executive Officer of International Capital Trading LLC, an Abu Dhabi headquartered private investment company. With a wealth of experience spanning several decades, he has run businesses across multiple disciplines, and has particular expertise in the area of financial services and investments. He also served in the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority before moving to the Private Department of His Highness the late Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

He served on the Board of Directors of several leading private and government institutions engaged in commercial, financial and service-based activities in the UAE. His former Board appointments include Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange, Media Zone Authority, Abu Dhabi Council for Economic Development, Al Qudra Holding, Finance House, Al Hilal Bank, Abu Dhabi Aviation, Etihad Airways and Abu Dhabi Airports Company.

Mr. Al Shamsi holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from UAE University and an MBA majoring in Finance and Banking from the United States.



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Mr. Abdulaziz Ahmed Rahma Al Mheiri
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Mr. Al Mheiri also serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Bourse Dubai, Vice Chairman of the Support Fund and Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Bosna Bank International. He has previously served as the Managing Director of the ICD and as a member of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer for Dubai Bank.

Mr. Al Mheiri holds a Science degree, specializing in Accounting and Finance, from the American College of Switzerland.

Mr. Ahmad Mohammad Bin Humaidan
Non-Executive, Non-Independent Nominee



Mr. Bin Humaidan has over 28 years' experience in strategic thinking, strategic planning, projects management, leading improvement programmes and change management and also serves as Deputy Director General of H.H. The Ruler's Court, Government of Dubai and as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Smart Dubai. He has also previously served as the Director General for Dubai Smart Government and as the Director of Projects for The Executive Office of His Highness Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of UAE and Ruler of Dubai. Mr. Bin Humaidan started his career with Emirates/Dnata Group of companies where he worked for five years.

Mr. Bin Humaidan holds a degree in Electrical Engineering from UAE University as well as a Business Administration diploma from Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom.

Mr. Javier Marin Romano

Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Mr. Romano serves as the CEO of Singular Bank (Spain) part of Warburg Pincus the leading global investment group, created in 1966 and with presence in more than 40 countries, with more than 55 years of experience in financial services, manages more than (USD) 80,000 million in assets and has an active portfolio that includes more than 960 listed and private companies, in which it has proven its commitment to permanence.

Mr. Romano is also an entrepreneur and an investor in technology companies linked to financial services. He also serves as a director in each of the UCV (Spanish University), Instituto per le Opere di Religione (IOR) and Frontier Economics. Prior to this, Mr. Romano served as Chief Executive Officer of Banco Santander, senior executive vice-president of Banco Santander and head of private banking, asset management and insurance. He has also been a member of the European Banking Association and the European Financial Services Association and of the Board of Directors in different banks, insurance companies and asset managers in several countries in Europe (affiliates of Banco Santander).

Mr. Romano holds a degree in Law and a diploma in Business Administration from the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas in Madrid (Spain). He also obtained a Master's degree in European law in Luxembourg, in banking administration from the Institute International d'Etudes Bancaires (La Joya, California) and taxes from the Universidad Pontificia de Comillas (Madrid) and completed the advanced programme of Singularity University (California).

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Mr. Bader Hareb

Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Bader is a highly experienced Real Estate professional with over 20 years' experience in different areas of Real Estate Development and Investments. Throughout his career, Bader held the most senior positions in the largest organizations within the real estate sector such as Emaar, Dubai Healthcare City, Majid Al Futtaim Properties, Nakheel and Etisalat.

2017 – 2021: CEO, Emaar Development

2015 – 2017: CEO, Dubai Health Care City FZ

2011 – 2015: Chief Property Officer, Majid Al Futtaim Properties

2007 – 2011: Managing Director, Nakheel

2002 – 2007: Chief Engineering Officer, Etisalat /Mobili

In his numerous high-profile assignments, he spearheaded large-scale investment projects in MENA which helped shape the industry and the region. Mr. Bader also plays an active role in real estate arbitrations for DIAC, 2016 Acted as co-arbitrator, 2018 Acted as Chairman of the Tribunal, 2019 Acted as Sole Arbitrator and Chairman of the Tribunal. Being an expert in his field, he serves on number of Boards as Board Member in Downtown District Cooling Plants, Board Member in Mina Rashid; Board Member in Dubai Healthcare City Authority, Committee Member in Dubai Free Zone Council, Vice Chairman in Sharjah Holding, Vice Chairman in The Wave Muscat, Board Member in Inshaa, Dubai and Member of the GCC Board Directors Institute (GCC BDI).



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Mr. Ahmed Khalifa AlQubaisi
Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Ahmed Khalifa Al Qubaisi is a distinguished Senior Executive Leader in Group Finance & Investment Directorate at Abu Dhabi National Oil Company, who has a remarkable record of success in finance, investment, and business development across diverse sectors. He has been key lead in establishing multiple companies and joint ventures, cementing his status as a leading figure in the business world.

Mr. Ahmed has more than ten years of experience serving on various boards and committees and he is a Certified Corporate Director from Harvard Business School. He has expertise in risk management, regulatory compliance, financial management, and digital transformation. He has experience overseeing financial, investments, strategy, corporate planning, governance, and financial controls, driving cost optimization and sustainable companies' growth.

Ahmed holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from INSEAD Business School in France and is pursuing a Doctorate in Business Administration from Durham University in UK. He is a Fellow Certified Practicing Accountant (FCPA) and is a certified Corporate Finance individual from the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. Ahmed has completed executive leadership programs from top business schools; Harvard Business School (USA), the University of Oxford (UK), and IMD (Switzerland).

Mr. Majid Dalmook Mohamad Bin Dalmook Al Falasi
Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Mr. Majid Bin Dalmook is an impactful strategic leader and entrepreneur with a Digital First mindset with a diverse career since 2002 in various fields, primarily in Banking, Finance, Investments, and commercial management. Majid has regularly been an active member of company boards and strategic investment committees. His banking career was mainly with two top tier global banks which led to the opportunity to work on several of the largest transactions in the region across various scopes of fund raising, M&A and public listings.

Mr. Majid currently serves as Chairman of United fintech Solutions Co., Vice-Chairman of Emirates Post Group, Board Member in Etihad Water and Electricity (Etihad WE), Board Member in Daman Investments, Board Member in Takatuf Investments since 2014 and CEO & Managing Director of Strategic Ventures Investments since 2014.

Mr. Majid holder a Bachelor's degree in Finance & Marketing from American University of Sharjah, in addition to various leadership certification from University of California & Imperial College Business School.

Dr. Jehad El-Nakla

Non-Executive, Independent Nominee



Dr. El-Nakla is a highly experienced senior banking executive with 35 years of experience in the financial services industry. He is an expert in credit and risk management, financial analysis and business management. Dr. El-Nakla has established Board membership experience and holds a doctorate degree in Numerical Analysis from the prestigious Loughborough University, United Kingdom. As a British citizen of Arabic origin, he is bi-lingual and possesses a deep understanding of the cultural and business landscape of the GCC and Middle East by and large.

For the past 15 years, Dr El-Nakla has been a resident of Dubai, where he retired from his last full-time employment in March 2020. He previously served as the General Manager of Moody's in the Middle East (the Credit Rating Agency) in the DIFC (2007 - 2020), where he was a Board Member of three of Moody's subsidiaries for more than ten years. Since then, he has been focusing on consultancy and non-executive board membership. Currently, he is an active Board Member in three Islamic financial institutions, including the Chairman of the Board of Al Baraka Bank (Pakistan).

Dr. El-Nakla's experience in commercial banking and credit rating agencies, combined with his role as an Independent Director, allows him to provide fresh perspectives and objective opinions. He can contribute to strategy building and monitoring, enhance oversight, and improve governance, transparency and disclosure. All in all, he will act to protect the interests of the bank, its shareholders and all its stakeholders.

Dr. El-Nakla is committed to allocating enough time to the Board of Dubai Islamic Bank and its Committees and actively engaging in their meetings. He can add value to the Board Committees that cover audit, compliance, risk, and credit facilities.

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Mr. Yusef bin Saeed Lootah
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Founder and CEO of Lootah Biofuel & IAExperience, He grew up in Dubai under the care of his father, the late Haji Saeed Lootah, the founder of Dubai Islamic Bank and attended, on behalf of his father the meetings of the general assembly of the bank. He participated in many conferences and forums on the Islamic economy inside and outside the UAE.

Mr. Yusef started his working life by working in the field of construction and contracting, and gained practical experience in engineering, management and accounting. He held several positions in the SS Lootah Group, a Dubai-based family company established in 1956 and holds a leading market position in key strategic economic sectors such as contracting, construction, hospitality, healthcare, education, real estate and investment.

Mr. Yusef started establishing his own projects and started them with the establishment of the Lootah Biofuel Company in 2010, which was a unique step being the first of its kind in the region. He received many awards and honors for his achievements in the production of biofuels. He has participated in conferences and seminars concerned with the production of biofuels and the circular economy. He organized a number of applied courses and field visits for more than 1,250 university students inside and outside the UAE to provide them with practical experience in biofuel production.

He founded the Institute of Practical Experience (IAExperience), which is concerned with qualifying young people to acquire sciences and skills by joining them in the labor market to gain practical experience.

Contributed and supervised a number of charitable projects in the UAE and many countries. He established an international institution to preserve the environment and cooperate with international associations concerned with preserving and protecting the environment, especially the Amazon forests.



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Dr. Cigdem Kogar

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Dr Cigdem Kogar is an economist, former central banker & former diplomat specialising in financial markets and regulations. She is currently the founder and CEO of Izgi Global Consultancy, working on sustainable business development, providing consultancy to international institutions for partnership and enhancing relationship management amongst public authorities, foreign institutions & companies.

She has an extensive experience in central banking, banking regulation & supervision, Basel Committee, FSB, IFSB, G20 and other international platforms, banking & finance, risk analysis, financial stability, macro economy, monetary & financial policy and the payment system.

Over the 30 years of experience at the Central Bank of the Republic of Türkiye, she had several executive roles at the Bank, including Chair of the Check Clearing Board and the Risk Center, Executive Director of the Banking and Financial Institutions Department. Between 2014-2020 Dr Kogar was Chief London Representative of the Central Bank and Economic Counsellor to the Turkish Embassy in London. She had also served as a consultant to the OECD HQ in Paris, Economics Dept. Türkiye-Italy desk for two years.

During her central banking career, she was the Board Member of the Central Bank of the Republic of Northern Cyprus, responsible for licensing, regulating and supervising banks and other financial institutions. Alongside her responsibility for monetary policy & macroeconomic policy coordination, she took an active role in the strategic governance of the Central Bank between 2010-2021 in the region.

Dr Kogar is an advocate of sustainable development and women empowerment and a speaker at United Nations HQ, New York, about “Inclusive Green Growth” and “Sustainability in Business and Industry” in 2019 and 2023 respectively at the International Day of Women & Girls in Science Assembly. Dr Kogar is the chapter author of “Empowering Women in Science, Technology and Innovation in the Digital Economic Era” in the book “Women & Girls in Science for Socio-Economic Sustainable Development”.

Dr Kogar holds a PhD in Economics from Middle East Technical University with a thesis on “Fiscal & Current Account Sustainability, Banking Fragility & Balance Sheets: 2000-2001 Financial Crises in Turkey”, MA in Economics from Boston College, USA and B.Sc. in Economics from Middle East Technical University, Ankara Türkiye. She has been a visiting lecturer in economics and finance at Bilkent University and Middle East Technical University in Türkiye.



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H.E. Alia Abdulla Mohamed Al Mazrouei
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HE Alia Al Mazrouei is a highly accomplished business professional and entrepreneur with a diverse career spanning across sectors. Her Excellency is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the Khalifa Fund for Enterprise Development, a position she has held since February 2022. In this role, she is responsible for overseeing the organization's efforts to promote entrepreneurship and support small and medium-sized businesses in Abu Dhabi.

Prior to her current position, Al Mazrouei has held a number of high-level positions in government and public institutions. She served as an Advisor at the Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development, and the Director General of the Human Resources Authority (HRA) in Abu Dhabi. Prior to that, she was the Director General of the Abu Dhabi School of Government (ADSG).

Al Mazrouei has also held several board positions, including those at Finance House, Insurance House, the Khalifa Innovation Center, and Aranab, a logistics company. These positions have given her the opportunity to contribute her expertise and leadership to a range of organizations and industries. She is also the business owner of Little Haven Nursery and Fa'e Restaurant, both located in Abu Dhabi.

Throughout her professional journey, Al Mazrouei has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to excellence and a dedication to driving positive change in the organizations she serves. Her expertise in business development, human resources, and strategic planning make her a valuable asset to any team.

HE Alia Al Mazrouei received her Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree in Management Information Systems from the United Arab Emirates University in 2001. After completing her undergraduate studies, Al Mazrouei went on to pursue a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Global Leadership at the same institution, which she received in 2005. Throughout her academic career, Al Mazrouei has demonstrated a strong commitment to her studies and a passion for leadership and management.

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