



# Ogier Global FinTech in Dubai

Ogier has opened in Dubai, providing clients with on-the-ground legal, corporate services, and regulatory consulting. Our approach is to keep it simple. We are agile and strive to work through complexity to provide sound judgment on what really matters, not losing sight of the need for effective project management and superb client service on each transaction.

## 5 things to know about FinTech in Dubai



Introducing the DIFC Innovation License, tailored for tech firms, offering discounts and growth incentives. With 800+ startups, DIFC is the Middle East, Africa, and Southern Asia (MEASA) region's tech hub for expansion and innovation



### **DIFC innovation license:**

The DIFC innovation license caters to tech entities from any sector, offering subsidised commercial licensing, co-working space access, and visa benefits. Designed for quick registration, it enables swift integration into the DIFC ecosystem, fostering growth and innovation across the board



### **Licensing requirements:**

FinTech licensing in the DIFC demands a physical presence and is aimed at companies offering non-financial tech solutions. It excludes firms involved in financial services or selling physical products, focusing on those providing innovative technology solutions



### **Who qualifies for the DIFC innovation Licence?**

A diverse range of technology enablers, specifically targeting firms within the technology and innovation sectors that aim to develop, test, or launch new, novel, or innovative products



**FinTech accelerator programme:** Initiated in 2017 under DIFC FinTech hive. This flagship programme connects innovative startups with major financial institutions, providing partnership opportunities, investor exposure, and marketing outreach. There are over 2,900 applicants to date



### **Integrated Legal and Corporate Administration Services:**

We work with Ogier's legal teams to incorporate and administer vehicles including the formation and administration of asset finance vehicles, public and private debt issuers and securitisation vehicles



**Corporate Services:** We assist with entity registration, corporate secretarial services, registered office, local directorships and general manager mandates, visa assistance, bank account opening, accounting, bookkeeping and VAT registration



**Private Wealth:** We assist with foundation establishment in Dubai International Finance Centre and registered office services as well as the electronic maintaining of records and the provision of foundation council members where required



**Ogier Regulatory Consulting:** We help navigate increasingly regulated environments through the business lifecycle and provide solutions for when issues arise. We assist in the authorisation of regulated firms, outsourced authorised functions and assist with fund registration and fund notification to relevant authorities



**Virtual Assets:** We assist with decentralised finance AML compliance, risk reporting and audits, effectiveness reviews of AML controls, Virtual Assets Regulatory Authority registration and authorisation, virtual asset exchange establishment and virtual asset risk assessment and risk management



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