

# The Rise of the Falcon Economy

## Explaining Abu Dhabi's Economy

2024

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Further diversifying our economy is a key strategic focus of our future plans. It is therefore necessary to accelerate economic development efforts to continue building a leading global economy, to enhance our competitiveness and achieve the highest global rankings

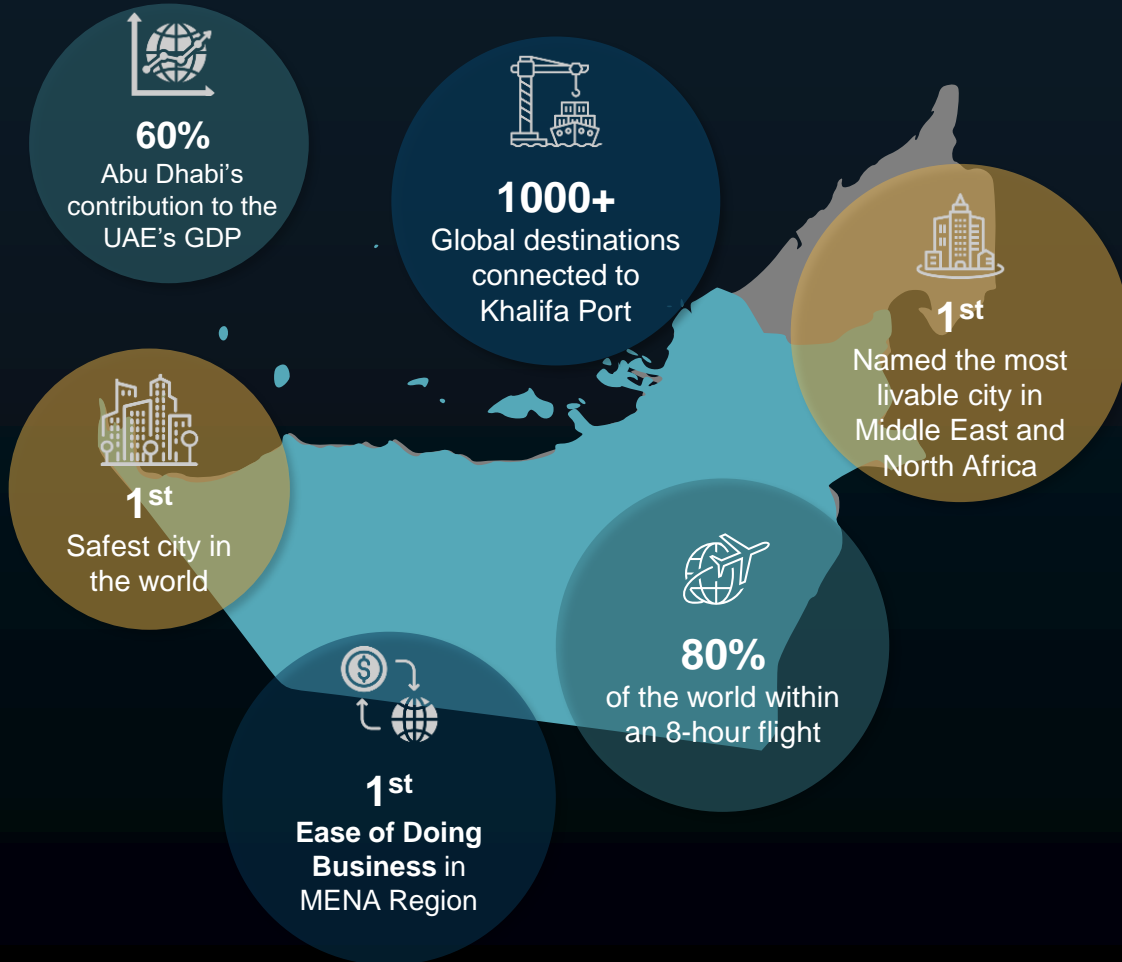
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His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan  
President of the United Arab Emirates



# ABU DHABI IS EMERGING AS A DYNAMIC HUB



“ Fostering Abu Dhabi’s economic diversification and resilience will continue to be the key focus, as will developing our human capital and attracting talent. ADDED plays a vital role in driving Abu Dhabi’s economic development, as well as leading the transition to a smart, inclusive, sustainable and knowledge-based economy.

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H.E. Ahmed Jasim Al Zaabi  
Chairman of Abu Dhabi Department  
of Economic Development



# ABU DHABI ECONOMY KEY FIGURES

## Abu Dhabi is a stable, resilient and fast-growing economy



## Abu Dhabi is a friendly and open destination for business



1. 2020, SCAD data at current prices  
2. 2021, SCAD and Statista  
3. 2021, SCAD GDP data at current prices  
4. 2022, Fitch Ratings  
5. 2021, Boston Consulting Group  
6. 2022, FDI Ranking

# ABU DHABI TARGETS TRIPLING OF GDP WITH STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT OF 13 ECONOMIC CLUSTERS

**Abu Dhabi**'s growth trajectory is driven by a clear and strategic economic vision that prioritizes diversification, innovation, and sustainable practices. The emphasis on cultivating new sectors ensures Abu Dhabi's position as a resilient and forward-looking business hub.

## Resource Enablement



Energy Transition



Chemicals



SAVI or  
Advanced  
Mobility



Advance  
Services &  
Industries



Biotech & Life  
Sciences



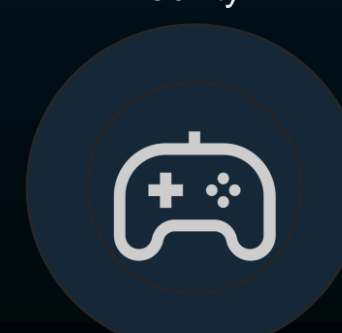
Food and Water



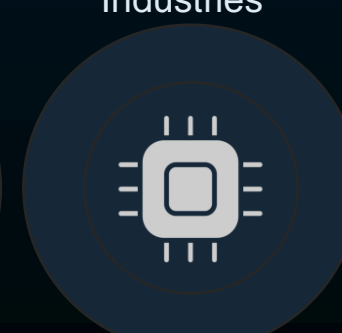
Metals



Trade &  
Logistics



Media,  
Entertainment  
Sports and  
Gaming



Semiconductors

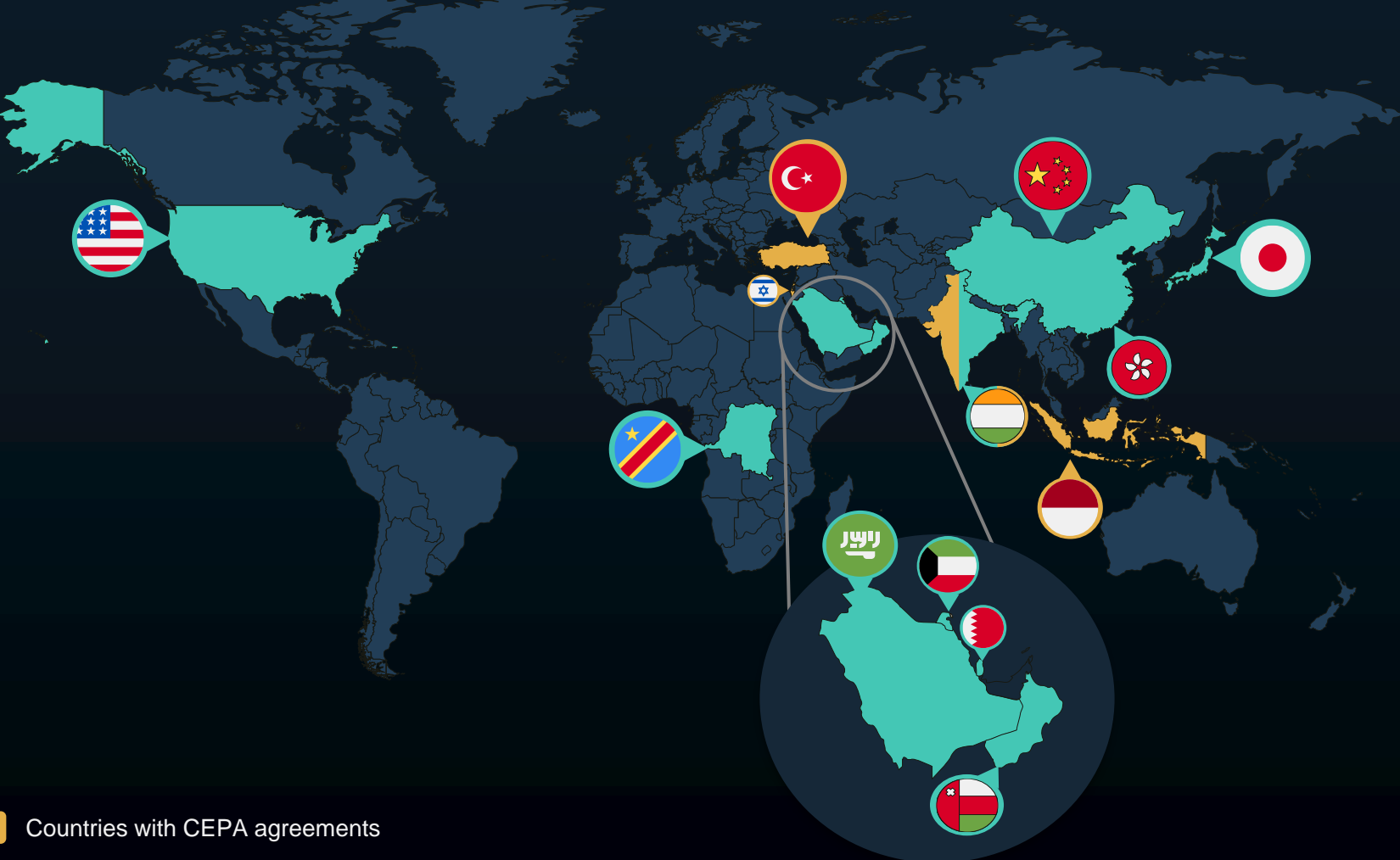


Financial  
Services





Travel & Tourism


# ABU DHABI'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE PARTNERS




- Countries with CEPA agreements
- Top Trading Countries

 Abu Dhabi has **10** leading trade partners

 Increase bilateral trade by **AED 40 billion** annually

 Actively pursuing agreements for free trade with **20 other markets**

 Tariff elimination or reduction on more than **80%** of UAE goods exported to India

Note: Other countries are being looked at to sign CEPA and FTA with

# ABU DHABI STARTUP ECOSYSTEM

**260+**  
Startups

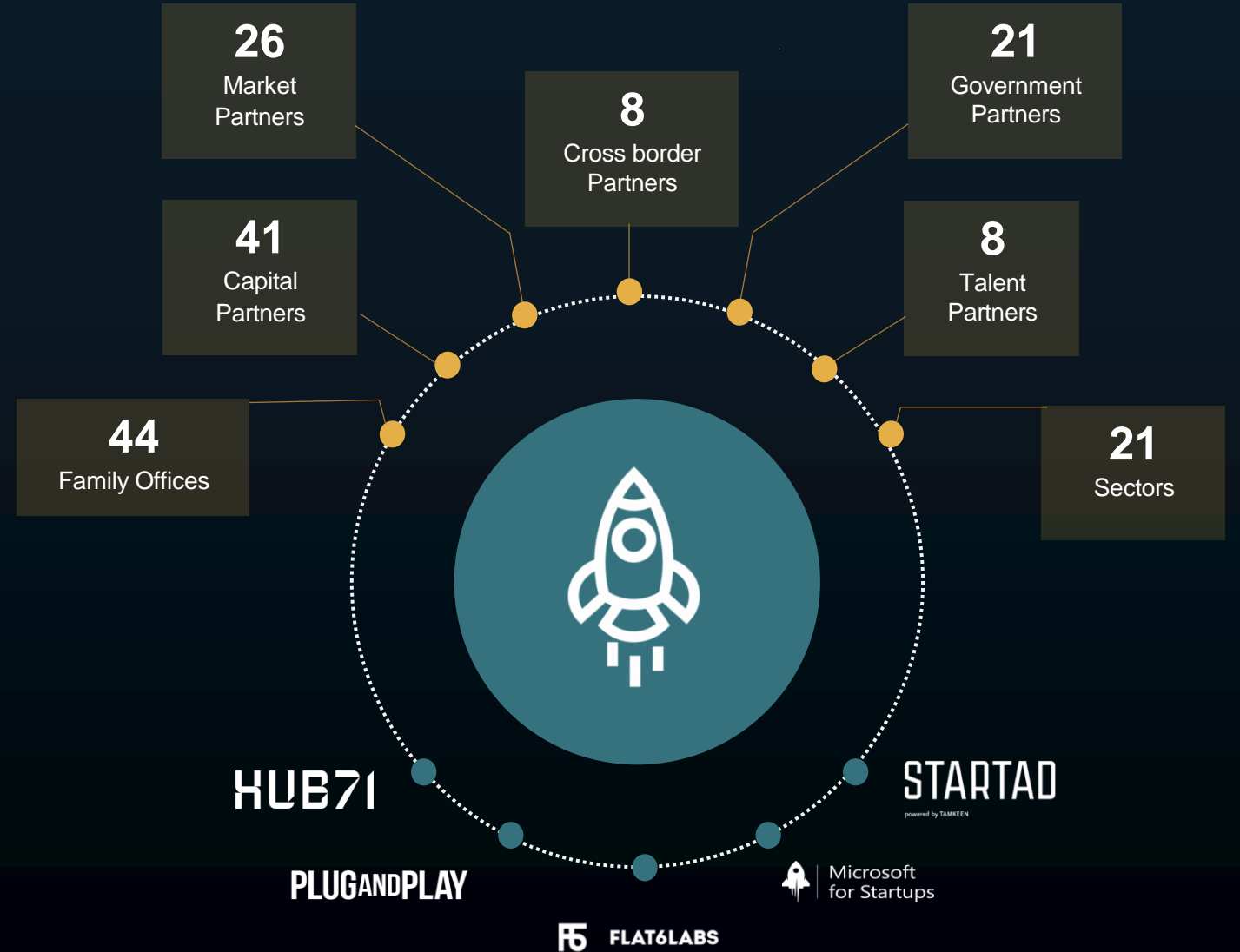
**1000+**  
Jobs created

**AED 5.1bn**  
Funds raised by startups in  
our programs

**AED 3.5bn**  
Revenue generated by startups  
in our programs

**89 POCs**  
Signed with corporate  
partners

**AED 596mn**  
Deal value from POCs



# ABU DHABI: CAPITAL OF CAPITAL

**Abu Dhabi** proactively ensures sustained investment through its robust ecosystem, supported by the commitment of some of the world's most substantial sovereign wealth funds



KEY MEMBERS

ADIA

The Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA) has a diverse investment portfolio encompassing **equities, fixed income, treasury, infrastructure, real estate, private equity, hedge funds, and commodity trading advisors (CTAs).**

**\$853Bn**  
Assets Under Mgt

MUBADALA

Mubadala invests in diverse sectors including **aerospace, information and communication technology (ICT), semiconductors, mining and metals, energy and utilities, healthcare, real estate, pharmaceuticals, and agribusiness.**

**\$284Bn**  
Assets Under Mgt

ADQ

ADX  
سوق أبوظبي للأوراق المالية  
Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange

Region's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest exchange by market cap

Wio

Region's 1<sup>st</sup> fully-digital bank

TAQA

One of the largest utility providers in the EMEA region

الإتجاه  
ETIHAD  
AIRWAYS

UAE national carrier

PURSHALTH<sup>+</sup>

Integrated healthcare solutions provider

LDC.  
Louis Dreyfus Company

Global merchant and processor of agricultural goods

**\$159Bn**  
Assets Under Mgt



# ABU DHABI LIFESTYLE & ENTERTAINMENT

**Abu Dhabi** boasts a world-class ecosystem encompassing entertainment, healthcare, and education, enhancing the quality of life, and creating an attractive environment for investors, businesses, and families.

## LEISURE



GUGGENHEIM



## LIFESTYLE



PARK HYATT ABU DHABI™  
HOTEL AND VILLAS



LEAD  
DEVELOPMENT

## EDUCATION



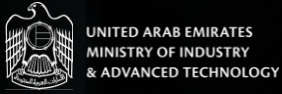
## WELLFARE



# ABU DHABI INVESTOR SUPPORT INITIATIVES

**Abu Dhabi Ecosystem** serves as a vital gateway, offering robust support to businesses integrating into the Abu Dhabi economic ecosystem

## GOVERNMENT ENTITIES



دائرة التنمية الاقتصادية  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



دائرة التعليم والمعرفة  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND KNOWLEDGE



مكتب أبوظبي الإعلامي  
Abu Dhabi Media Office



صندوق أبوظبي للاستثمار  
ABU DHABI IPO FUND



دائرة البلديات والنقل  
DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPALITIES AND TRANSPORT



دائرة الثقافة والسياحة  
DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE AND TOURISM



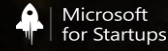
مكتب أبوظبي للمقيمين  
ABU DHABI RESIDENTS OFFICE



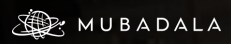
## FREE ZONES



## BUSINESS ENABLERS, INCUBATORS & ACCELERATORS



## SOVEREIGN FUNDS



# ABU DHABI INVESTOR SUPPORT INITIATIVES

The **Abu Dhabi Ecosystem** works seamlessly together, offering robust support to businesses integrating into the Emirate's economy.

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT



### Financial Incentives for Businesses

- Globally competitive rebates & grants to innovation-led and growth stage companies
- AED 2Bn (\$545Mn) Innovation Program



### Rebates for Manufacturing

- Electricity Tariff Incentive Program
- Gas Tariff Incentive Program
- Land Rent Incentive Program
- Preferred government procurement towards local goods and services



### Financing for IPOs

- Significant investor at public book-building stage aiming to generate demand momentum
- Subsidize advisory costs for Abu Dhabi priority sectors

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## NON-FINANCIAL SUPPORT



### Concierge Services

- Relocation Services (bank accounts, schooling, health, entertainment etc.)
- Business services (licensing, office space, logistics, etc.)
- Other services (property investments, connect to key entities in AD ecosystem, networking events, business councils etc.)



### Personalized Investor Care

- Provide investor guidance, connections, market insights and public policy support



### Support for IPO

- Active dialogue partner and sounding board
- Act as an independent advisor to shareholders
- Indirect support e.g., facilitate equity research coverage and market making in coordination with ADX, etc.
- Facilitate engagement with external advisors and authorities