

Registration Authority

Checklist - Continuance

INCORPORATION / REGISTRATION OF COMPANY - STANDARD REQUIREMENTS

Check entity's eligibility for continuance in ADGM

No.			
1.	Do the members of the body corporate applying for continuance in ADGM have unlimited liability in their home jurisdiction?	pplying for continuance in ADGM have Regulations (application to	
2.	Is the body corporate applying for continuance within ADGM being wound up or is in liquidation?	☐ Yes Pursuant to sections 100 and 101 of ADGM Companies Regulations 2015, this body corporate does not meet eligibility criteria for continuance.	□ No
3.	Is the body corporate applying for continuance within ADGM insolvent?	□ Yes Pursuant to sections 100 and 101 of ADGM Companies Regulations 2015, this body corporate does not meet eligibility criteria for continuance.	□ No
4.	Has a receiver, manager or administrator (by whatever name any such person is called) been appointed, whether by a court or in some other manner, in respect of any property	☐ Yes Pursuant to sections 100 and 101 of ADGM Companies Regulations	□ No

	of the applicant for continuance within the ADGM?	2015, this body corporate does not meet eligibility criteria for continuance.	
5.	Has the applicant entered into a compromise or arrangement with a creditor (not being a compromise or arrangement approved by the Registrar) and that compromise or arrangement is in force?	☐ Yes Pursuant to sections 100 and 101 of ADGM Companies Regulations 2015, this body corporate does not meet eligibility criteria for continuance.	□ No
6.	Is there an application pending before a court for the winding up or liquidation of the applicant, or to have it declared insolvent, or for the appointment of such a receiver, manager or administrator or for the approval of such a compromise or arrangement?	□ Yes Pursuant to sections 100 and 101 of ADGM Companies Regulations 2015, this body corporate does not meet eligibility criteria for continuance.	□ No

If answers to all the above questions are No, the entity can submit application to Registrar for continuance within the Abu Dhabi Global Market. If the answer to the first question is 'yes', then the applicant may apply for continuance into ADGM only for continuance of an unlimited company.

Continue a Private Company Limited by Shares as an SPV into ADGM

No.	Requirement	Status
1.	Provide details of the company in original jurisdiction	
2.	A copy of Certificate of Incorporation or Registration, or a document of similar effect, certified by the relevant authority in the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated or registered (issued no more than three months). This is the existing certificate in the home jurisdiction from which an entity is continuing into ADGM.	
3.	A copy Certificate of Good Standing or document of similar effect	
4.	A copy of evidence of authorization (such as legal opinion), satisfactory to the Registrar, that the company is authorized by the laws of its jurisdiction to make this application.	
5.	A copy of evidence of consents in original jurisdiction, satisfactory to the Registrar, confirming that if a certificate of continuance is issued under ADGM Companies Regulations pursuant to the application, the company will thereupon cease to be incorporated under the other jurisdiction, the interests of the members and the creditors of the company will not be unfairly	

	prejudiced and that the company is not prevented by section 103 of Companies Regulations in making application for continuation.	
	A copy of directors' Certificate of Solvency, stating that the company is solvent, that there is no reasonable prospect of the company becoming insolvent at the time of the application, and there are no applications made to any court	
6.	(a) to put the company into liquidation,(b) to wind up the company,	
	(c) to have the company declared insolvent or	
	(d) for the appointment of a receiver in relation to any property of the company.	
7.	Articles of Association or other constitutional document of similar effect and any amendments, certified by the relevant authority in the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated or registered (issued no more than three months). This is the existing articles of association of the existing entity in the foreign jurisdiction from which the entity is continuing into ADGM.	

PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES – SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLE (NON-EXEMPT)

Standard Requirements	Useful Links
Non-exempt SPV Business Plan Template (available for download on the ADGM website) duly executed by the applicant and the appointed Company Service Provider - Must demonstrate nexus to the UAE as per the ADGM RA nexus policy for SPVs - Documentary evidence of the target asset must be provided in the form of commercial license copies, title deed copies etc. (depending on the nature of the target asset) (recently certified as a true copy, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language)	SPV Application Process
Choose a company name.	www.registration.adgm.com
 Search if the company name is still available Refer: Business and Company Name Rules Similar name declaration may be required if the applicants are using a proposed name that is similar to others 	Business and Company Name Rules
Select the accounting reference date/end of the fiscal year. (standard: 31 December)	

Draft articles of association	Model Articles
 Model Article Template is available on the ADGM website but this can be amended or bespoke articles uploaded, provided the applicant can confirm that these are compliant with the ADGM Companies Regulations and subordinate legislation If signed version is to be used, evidence of signing authority 	
Registered Office Address	SPV Application Process
 Consent Letter for registered office address provision from ADGM registered Company Service Provider (template available on the ADGM website) 	
Company Service Provider Appointment	List of ADGM Registered Company Service Providers
 Under ADGM's CSP Framework, setting up and maintaining a non-exempt SPV requires an ADGM licensed Company Service Provider. Company Service Provider – Appointment Form – SPV duly executed by the applicant and the appointed Company Service Provider 	Guidance and Resources for SPVs
Authorised Signatories	Resolution Templates
 Must be individual At least one individual At least one of the appointed signatories must be a UAE national, GCC national or hold a valid UAE residence visa. (Individuals who never entered the UAE cannot be appointed as authorised signatories because security clearance from the immigration authorities cannot be processed). 	Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form – Role – Company
 Individual Personal Details Service Address Passport copies of all current and past nationalities Emirates ID (applicable to UAE nationals) Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution for incorporation signed by all shareholders, which includes the appointment of the authorised signatories – template is available on the ADGM website) 	
Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form - Confirm if any of the signatories holds the role on behalf of someone else by filling up this form (if not applicable, choose no but the form must still be submitted)	

 Form is available on the ADGM website Upload completed and signed form to the Supporting Documents section of the online application form 	
Directors	Resolution Templates
 At least one director must be appointed by a private company limited by shares At least one director who is a natural person (i.e. an individual min. 18 years old) must be appointed as per s145 of the ADGM Companies Regulations The appointment of body corporate directors is permitted, if at least one individual director is appointed 	Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form – Role – Company
 Individual Personal Details Service Address Residential Address Passport copies of all current and past nationalities Proof of Residential Address (not more than 3 months old, in the English language) Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution signed by all shareholders, which includes the appointment of the directors – template is available on the ADGM website) 	
 Body Corporate Entity Details Registered Office Address Certificate of Incorporation/Registration (foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Register of members recently (certified as a true copy by one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Register of directors (recently certified as a true copy by one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution signed by the shareholders, which includes the appointment of the directors – template is available on the ADGM website) 	
Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form - Confirm if any of the directors holds the role on behalf of someone else by filling up this form (if not applicable, choose no but the form must still be submitted)	

 Form is available on the ADGM website Upload completed and signed form to the Supporting Documents section of the online application form 	
Secretary	Resolution Templates
This is not mandatoryCan be individual or Body Corporate	Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form – Role – Company
 Individual Personal Details Service Address Passport copies of all current and past nationalities Proof of Residential Address (not more than 3 months old, in the English language) Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution signed by all shareholders, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) 	<u>Sumpany</u>
 Body Corporate Entity Details Registered Office Address Certificate of Incorporation/Registration (foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) 	
 Register of members recently (certified as a true copy by one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Register of directors recently certified as a true copy by 	
one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) - Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution signed by the shareholders, which includes the appointment of the secretaries – template is available on the ADGM website)	
Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form - Confirm if any of the secretaries holds the role on behalf of someone else by filling up this form (if not applicable, choose no but the form must still be submitted) - Form is available on the ADGM website - Upload completed and signed form to the Supporting Documents section of the online application form	
Shares Particulars	

 Decide on classes of shares, number of issued shares, how many shares are paid up and unpaid, and rights attached to the shares At least one share must be issued at the time of incorporation 	
Shareholders	Resolution Templates
- Can be individual or Body Corporate Individual - Personal Details	Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form
 Service Address Passport copies of all current and past nationalities Proof of Residential Address Resolution authorizing Incorporation/Registration of ADGM Entity and Evidence of Appointment (this is the resolution signed jointly by all individual shareholders – template is available on the ADGM website) 	
 Body Corporate Entity Details Registered Office Address Certificate of Incorporation/Registration (foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Register of members recently (certified as a true copy by one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Register of directors recently certified as a true copy by one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign language documents must be accompanied by certified legal translation to the English language) Evidence of Appointment (separate board resolution required for each body corporate shareholder— template is available on the ADGM website) 	
Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form Confirm if any of the shareholders holds the role on behalf of someone else by filling up this form (if not applicable, choose no but the form must still be submitted) Form is available on the ADGM website Upload completed and signed form to the Supporting Documents section of the online application form	
Ultimate Beneficial Owners	Guidance – Beneficial Ownership and Control

Applicable if an individual or bady compared com- OFO/	
- Applicable if an individual or body corporate owns 25% or	
more of the company	
- Can be individual or Body Corporate	
- Document of Beneficial Ownership Distribution (this can	
be the company or shareholder's group chart or	
shareholder's register of shareholders)	
Individual	
- Personal Details	
- Service Address	
- Passport copies of all current and past nationalities	
Body Corporate	
- Entity Details	
- Registered Office Address	
- Registered Office Address - Register of members recently (certified as a true copy by	
one of the incumbent directors or company secretary, or	
registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign	
language documents must be accompanied by certified	
legal translation to the English language)	
 Register of directors recently certified as a true copy by 	
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registered agent, not more than three months ago, foreign	
language documents must be accompanied by certified	
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Nominee Arrangement Confirmation Form	
- Confirm if any of the Ultimate Beneficial Owners holds the	
role on behalf of someone else by filling up this form (if	
not applicable, choose no but the form must still be	
submitted)	
- Form is available on the ADGM website	
- Upload completed and signed form to the Supporting	
 Documents section of the online application form	
Data Protection and Data Protection Contact Person	Guidance - Data Protection
- Must provide details of the contact person	
- Complete all applicable questions	
- Refer: Data Protection Guidance Note	
DP Contact Person	
- Personal Details	
- Service Address and contact details	
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Economic Substance Form	Guidance - Relevant Activities
 Confirm whether or not the company intends to conduct 	Economic Substance Form
one or more Relevant Activities under Economic	
Substance Regime	

	 Refer to Guidance on Relevant Activities. Form is available in ADGM website Upload completed and signed form in the Supporting Document section 	
	Source of wealth Declaration Form - Relevant supporting documents may be requested by the ADGM RA depending on the risk rating attributed to the application form	Sources of Wealth Declaration Form

CONTINUANCE OF COMPANY – FEES – SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLE (NON-EXEMPT)

Description	Amount
Exempt Application for reserving a name	USD 200
Continuance from another jurisdiction into ADGM	USD 0,00
Issuance of commercial license	USD 1,000
Data Protection Initial Registration	USD 300
Total	USD 1,500
Please note that the above fees are excluding the following: - Company Service Provider Fees - Fees for provision of registered office address For further information, please access the ADGM RA Schedule of	
- Fees for provision of registered office address	

ANNUAL RENEWAL FEES - SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLE (NON-EXEMPT)

Description	Amount
Renewal of Commercial License	USD 1,000
Renewal of business activities	-

Data Protection Annual Renewal	USD 100
	Note: pursuant to the relevant provisions of the amended Data Protection Regulations 2021, the renewal fee will change on 14 February 2022 to USD 300.
Annual Confirmation Statement	USD 100
Annual Accounts Filing	-
Total	USD 1,200
Please note that the above fees are excluding the following: - Company Service Provider Fees - Fees for provision of registered office address For further information, please access the ADGM RA Schedule of Fees	