

Mid-Level Associate - Corporate Tax (Dubai)

Our Dubai-based Corporate team is the largest and most recognised team in the Middle East that focusses on providing a wide range of corporate, finance, commercial, employment, insurance and regulatory work and now soon to include tax as the region prepares for its implementation (starting with VAT) in 2018. The team also works across the wider Middle East financial services market. As an emerging market, the scope and breadth of the work available across the region is vast, fast-moving and provides a wide variety of interesting work. Due to the changes in the legal tax framework here, we now have a newly created vacancy for a UK qualified lawyer with the following background to join our team in Dubai:

Candidate requirements

The ideal candidate will have:

- Specialist expertise in non-contentious tax law advice (ideally gained with a top London firm)
- Experience of advising on VAT would be at an advantage (VAT efficient structuring, registrations and tax support for other non-contentious practices (corporate, real estate and commercial))
- Exposure to cross border/ offshore corporate structures is also an advantage
- A mixed experience of tax and general corporate transactional work would be preferred due to the nature of the Greenfield opportunity

Description of the work group

Tax is a Greenfield space in the UAE and this role aims at putting the firm at the forefront of the changes ahead as GCC VAT and other corporate tax legislation is brought into effect or amended. The successful applicant will be part of a team that encourages client contact and exposure, and will be exposed to a dynamic regulatory and tax framework that is new and will no doubt be evolving and undergoing rapid change. Our team plays a significant part in a number of ongoing developments in the corporate framework across the region, and strives to have highly specialist fee-earners in all areas of law.

We already have some tax expertise within our Corporate team but are after a tax specialist who has commercial flair and ideally an understanding of the UAE market. We would need a self-starter and dynamic candidate for this role as it would require working across different teams. This unique role gives the successful applicant the opportunity to build a tax practice in the Middle East office of an international law firm.

Clyde & Co Overview

A pragmatic and dynamic international law firm with a focus on core sectors of infrastructure, insurance, international trade, natural resources and transportation. Clyde & Co is recognised for its work in and with fast-moving and volatile emerging markets, and for a history of managing complex, multi-jurisdictional transactions and disputes.

From a network of 47 offices and 3,300+ staff over 6 continents, we are on the front line for our clients' interests, all over the world.

Clyde & Co in the Middle East and North Africa

Clyde & Co's first Middle East office was formally established over 25 years ago, following many prior years of client involvement in and with the region. Our regional offices work as an interconnected and cohesive unit in order to provide advice to clients from all over the world, as well as to regional corporate entities and governments, on their operations and interests throughout the Middle East. Our lawyers are supported by comprehensive in-house translation, government liaison, management and information services teams as we strive to provide first class professional service levels and insight to our clients.

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We act as the first point of call for advice across the Middle East region for many of our multinational clients. Through our work across the region over the past quarter century, our market knowledge, experience and networks are second to none. We provide in-depth coverage of the firm's core sectors, as well as strong cross-practice sector teams in place focusing on regionally important sectors such as education, healthcare and hospitality.