

### Al Gharbia Investment Roadmap



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## Leadership commitment



His Highness Sheikh Hamdan Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Ruler's Representative in the Western Region



As an integral part of Abu Dhabi Emirate, Al Gharbia is being developed under the vision of His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE. The region is also strongly supported by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces and is under the direction of His Highness Sheikh Hamdan Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Ruler's Representative for the Western Region.

Vision 2030: Towards a Brighter Future

• Plan Al Gharbia 2030 has been developed to lead Al Gharbia towards a brighter future through managed and responsible growth.

• The overall strategic plan targets economic development, social health promotion, the preservation of cultural identity and environmental protection. It strives to promote the region's economic growth while valuing and maintaining its historical, cultural and ecological significance for the benefit of many generations to come.

• The Western Region Development Council (WRDC) together with their strategic partners are transforming Al Gharbia into a unique destination for thriving and promising opportunities to ensure providing best services to residents, investors and visitors.





### Fast facts

### Al Gharbia A unique opportunity, waiting to be discovered

Al Gharbia, the Western Region of Abu Dhabi, is quite simply the largest investment opportunity in the UAE. Located in the United Arab Emirates, the region covers a staggering 40,000 square kilometres, which equates to 60% of the total land mass of Abu Dhabi Emirate.

Al Gharbia is appropriately named, meaning "Western" in Arabic and was the name commonly used by Arabic speakers in the country due to its geographical location within the UAE before being officially re-named in 2008. The region is home to seven main cities: Liwa. Madinat Zayed, Ghayathi, Ruwais, Mirfa, Sila and Dalma Island, It boasts of undulating deserts and approximately 350 kilometres of pristine and untouched coastline:

best described as 'where the desert meets the sea'. Location-wise. the region is close to the borders of Saudi Arabia and Qatar – and is known as the main land access gateway to the UAE.

Al Gharbia is as big an investment opportunity as you are willing to make it.

#### Al Gharbia, a growing market of world-class opportunities





المحت من Juclear power project in the Middle East

17 of the World's oil reserves and the largest oil refinery

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Petro -Chemicals facility in the world (2014)

**"To achieve** sustainable development, we encourage business diversification to enhance the investment environment in Al Gharbia and support productivity improvement."

H.E. Mohamed Hamad bin Azzan Al Mazrouei. **Director General. Western Region Development Council** 



## Why invest in AI Gharbia?

Top competitive advantages

#### Strategic location and geographic advantage

Al Gharbia is close to the borders of Saudi Arabia and Qatar. The Region is also seen as one of the main gateways to the Middle East. With its vast geographic scope and low density population, Al Gharbia offers a huge untapped land area just waiting to be explored.

#### **Bustling industries**

The main industries in Al Gharbia's cities are oil and gas upstream and downstream, power generation, chemicals, agriculture, tourism and construction. Al Gharbia generates 40% of Abu Dhabi's total yearly GDP. over AED 115 billion (\$31bn).

#### **Booming investments**

Investments are consistently growing, with AED 240 billion\* being invested in development projects in key areas such as: Oil & Gas (AED 120 billion), Power Generation (AED 62 billion), Infrastructure & Transportation (AED 54 billion) and Tourism (AED 4 billion).

#### **Business-friendly environment**

As part of Abu Dhabi Emirate, Al Gharbia offers a tax-free environment, economic stability, no foreign exchange controls and trade barriers, high purchasing power, low interest and borrowing rates, consistent favourable returns. efficient workforce of varied specializations at competitive wages and a lot more.

#### Solid support services

Apart from implementing investorfriendly regulations, the local government also provides potential investors with full support from the start of a project until the final set-up. One-stop service providers called TAMM Centers are strategically located throughout the region.



















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#### Which sector?

Ranging in size across all of the seven cities of Al Gharbia each sector has many opportunities directly or indirectly.

\* Figures detailed are estimated costs for both ongoing and announced projects

### World class businesses already in Al Gharbia

## Introducing WRDC



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## WRDC's vision

To lead Al Gharbia, the Western Region of Abu Dhabi into becoming a model of sustainable economic and social development by setting the standard of excellence in the development of people, enhancement of infrastructure and improvement of enterprises.

The Western Region Development Council (WRDC) works with its strategic partners, businesses, investors and its community to drive the economic development and long term sustainability for the region. The council is committed to high value investments for the region and its people, whether this is the creation of small to medium enterprises or large scale industries, they are on hand to support, assist and offer direction. Working at a local, regional and international level



to actively promote Al Gharbia, they aim to attract inward investment and to help businesses reach their full capabilities.

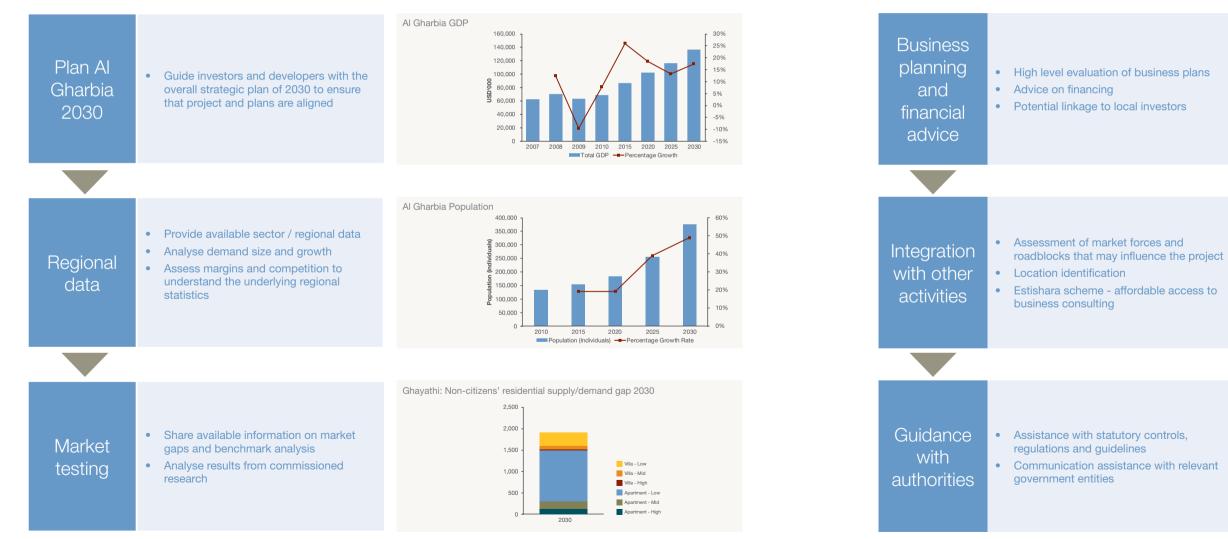
By supporting a wide range of initiatives to encourage enterprise, maximise productivity and improve local workforce skills, WRDC wants to allow those already living, working, and investing in the region to benefit from its economic prosperity.

For more information on WRDC, please visit www.wrdc.ae



# WRDC will help with guidance and support

#### WRDC will help with research analysis and guidance necessary to unlock success















## Examples of how WRDC has assisted entrepreneurs

### Special programmes to lower the costs of entry

The Estishara Programme is a joint initiative led by a taskforce that includes members from the Western Region Development Council (WRDC), the Urban Planning Council (UPC) and the Western Region Municipality (WRM) to assist the Al Gharbia community in taking an effective role in the process of implementing the 'Al Gharbia 2030 plan'. The program enables a coordinated approach to support developers by collaborating specialists within the WRDC, UPC and WRM and other private sector consultants who are committed to this initiative.

The services include providing technical assistance on following:

- Development of pre concept design
- Obtaining preliminary design approvals
- Demand gathering
- Development of feasibility studies



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#### Mixed Use Community Developments -Madinat Zaved

A newly agreed scheme for a mixed use development with a private sector developer (NTCC) in the heart of Madinat Zayed for 21,000 sqm of space with 100 apartments, 4,500 sgm of retail & F&B, 2000 sgm of office and 4,000 sgm of healthcare with a construction cost of circa AED 90m.

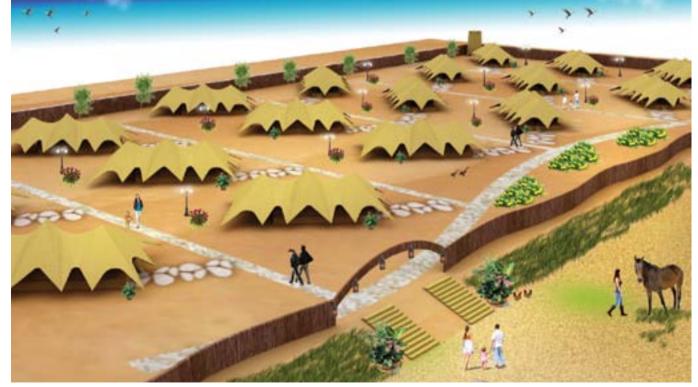




#### Tourism - Desert Camp

Assessment of a new eco-tourism desert hospitality attraction in Liwa. Review and assistance with the feasibility and business plan, concept planning, development strategy and financing opportunities through the Khalifa Fund.





### Agriculture - Poultry Farm

Assistance with the assessment of the business plan and development of the concept, development strategy and further assistance with Khalifa Funding finance.







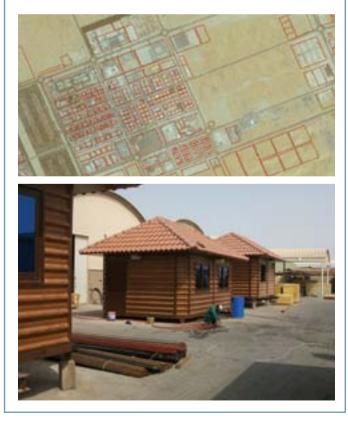




### Industrial – Sandwich Panel Manufacturing Unit Factory

Sandwich Panel Manufacturing Unit Factory for prefabricated building components, form insulated wall and ceiling panels etc.

WRDC support with technical assistance for developing project report and feasibility, Identifying possible land options for the project, alignment with Plan Al Gharbia 2030 and recommendations for implementation.



## Diversity of projects in Al Gharbia

Selected recent and planned economic development projects

#### Madinat Zaved

**Real estate** Al Dhafra Ranches AED 1bn

Main Court Residential AED 20m Power

Masdar Solar plant AED 2bn

#### Liwa

Tourism Qasr Al Sarab Desert Resort AFD 700m

Government Police stations AFD 88m

Oil and gas Shah Sour Gas Project AED 40bn

#### Ghayathi

Real estate 786 villas AED 1.5bn

Education Schools, AED 29m

Healthcare New Hospital

### A Ruwais

Oil and gas Ruwais refinery expansions AED 16bn Gasco plants and expansions

#### AED 29bn Transport

Ethiad Railway - Union Railway Project AED 40bn

#### Chemicals ChemaWEvaat complex and

Bourouge expansion AED 40bn Power

Shuweihat S2 and S3 AED 20bn

### 6 Mirfa

**Community Services** 

**Becreation centers AFD 516m** 

#### Education



### 6 Sila

**Real estate** 430 villas AFD1 5bn

Government Border control upgrade AED 193m

Power ENEC Nuclear plants AED 40bn

#### Dalma Island

Healthcare Hospital upgrade AED 15m

#### Tourism

Desert Islands projects AED 3.3bn

### Sector priorities

- Development of Sour Gas fields at Shah by ADNOC and Occidental, a \$40bn investment over 10 years
- UAE will build 4 nuclear power reactors (near Silaa) and plans to generate 25% of power needs from nuclear energy by 2020
- Current target to produce 7% of electricity needs from renewable sources (solar and wind) by 2020

### Potential investment opportunities

#### Oil and gas

Oil field services in many areas including equipment rental, logistics support, etc.

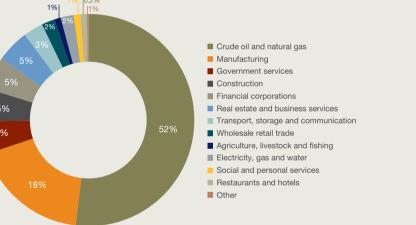
Numerous opportunities in construction, support services. etc.

Nuclear

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Liwa 2

## Developing the energy future



#### Solar energy

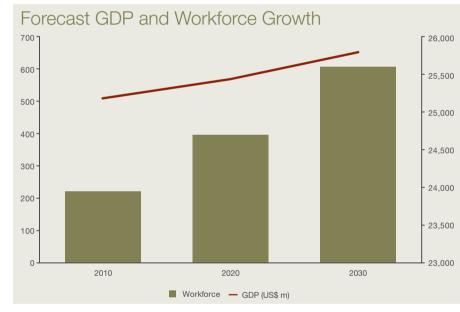
Support to the emerging photovoltaic and Concentrated Solar Power industries

#### Downstream

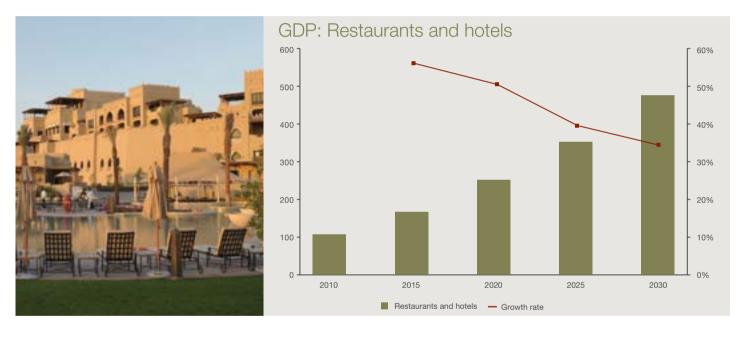
Significant logistics and support services opportunities in all sectors

## Vibrant food and agriculture sector

## An emerging tourism destination







#### Potential investment opportunities

Accom	nodati	ion
Resorts	leisure	and

Resorts, leisure and business hotels, motels, boarding houses and camp / sports sites

#### Hotel supplies Industrial kitchens, laundries, hotel supplies and logistics

#### Potential investment opportunities

confectionerywoollen productsfarming supplies, equipment and trainingequipment supply, organic farms, tomato and vegetable processingand logistics
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#### Activities

Culture/Heritage tourism, desert and water activities and corporate events

#### Retail

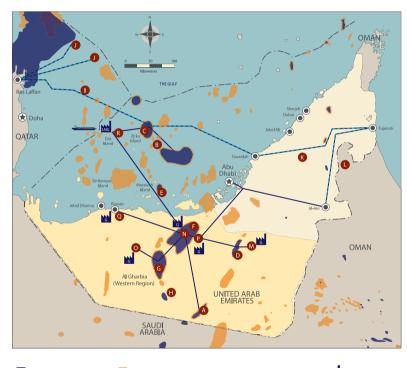
Restaurants, coffee shops, souvenir/ traditional products and handicrafts

#### Other

Designing, printing and publishing of tourist brochures; vehicle hire

## Current oil field and facility developments

#### Abu Dhabi's onshore and offshore fields





Note: Coloured areas on each map represent the demand size - Source: Oil & Gas Magazine

#### RESOURCES

- A SHAH: The Shah gas field has been Abu Dhabi's leading upstream gas project since the first engineering, procurement and construction packages were awarded in early 2010, making it ADNOC's fist sour gas development. At total cost of \$ 10 billion. Shah is expected to vield 28.3 mcm (1 bcf) of sour gas, or 15.3 mcm (540 mcf) of network gas per day by 2015.
- KHUFF RESERVOIR: the Permian Khuff reservoir exists in the same geological zone as Qatar's North Field and has been under development since 1994 from the nearly Umm Shaif, Abu Al Boukhoosh and upper Zakum field's production facilities. The reservoirs total sour gas output of 34 mcm (1.2 bcf) per day is piped to Das Island for processing. The integrated gas development will increase production from the Khuff reservoir at Llmm Shaif by 255 mcm (900 mcf) per day by autumn 2013.
- **O** UMM SHAIF: Associated gas is produced from ADMA-OPCO's Umm Shaif field from two 4.2 mcm (150 mcf) per day wellhead platforms and two producer/injector platforms connected to the Umm Shaif Supercomplex
- O ASAB: The ASAB oil field and to a lesser extent the neighbouring Sahil oil field produce a total of 8.5 mcm (300mcf) per day of associated gas, which is processed at Asab's gas processing facility. The ongoing Asab 3 project is expected to increase production to 12.7 mcm (450 mcf) per day by fall 2012.
- HAIL: GASCO plans to produce 14.2 mcm (500 mcf) per day of sour gas from the Hail field when ongoing development operation is completed
- BAB: Associated gas has long been produced at the Bab field, Abu Dhabi's largest onshore oil field. Ongoing redevelopments should increase gas production to 36.6 mcm (1.3 bcf) per day by 2015.
- BUHASA: ADCO's oil field produces up to 15.3 mcm (540 mcf) per day of associated gas, which is then processed in the nearby Bu Hasa natural gas liquids (NGL) extraction plan.
- H L-11-B: This directionally drilled appraisal well produces 850,000 cubic meters (30 mcf) per day of non-associated gas, and bodes well for efforts to develop the surroundings block L8a, L8b and L11b that is straddles
- DOLPHIN PIPELINE: Dolphin Energy's flagship project has the capacity to transport 90.6 mcm (3.2 bcf) per day from the company's production facilities above Qatar's North Field to Abu Dhabi's power generation centre at Taweelah, a distance of 364 kilometres.
- DOLPHIN PRODUCTION PLATFORMS (DOL-1 and DOL-1): Each operates 12 wells and produces 36.8 mcm (1.3 bcf) of gas per day that is piped to Ras Laffan for processing before transportation to Taweelah through the Dolphin Pipeline.

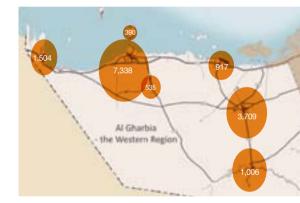
- **&** DOLPHIN's TAWEELLAH–FUJAIRAH PIPELINE: This 48-inch, 240 kilometre pipeline is set to transport Dolphin gas from Taweelah's receiving facilities for use in Fujairah's power generation and desalination plants when it is commissioned in late 2010.
- DOLPHIN'S AL AIN-FUJAIRAH PIPELINE: Dolphin Energy's first project was the construction of a 24-inch, 182-kilometre gas pipeline from Al Ain to Eujairah in 2004, which today transports to 3.8 mcm (135 mcf) per day to Qidfa's power station.

#### GAS PROCESSING FACILITIES

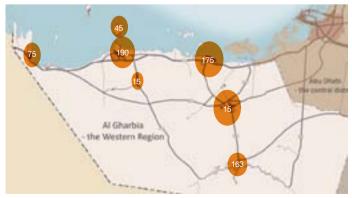
- M ASAB NATIONAL GAS LIQUIDS PLANT AND ASAB GAS PLANTS: These facilities receive associated gas and condensate from ADCO's nearby Sahil, Assab and Shah Fields. Gas is liquefied and sent to the Ruwais facility for fractionation, while condensate is transported to TAKREER's Ruwais refinery.
- M HABSHAN GAS PLANT: Originally built in 1983, facilities have been vastly expanded to cope with ncreasing gas processing needs. Most recently a fifth plant is being built as part of the Integrated Gas Development project are at a cost of \$ 4.7 billion, which will increase the Habshan complex's total processing capacity to 198.2 mcm (7 bcf) per day. Processed gas, condensate and liquid sulphur is then transported to the Ruwais Fractionation plant, Takreer, Fertil, Borouge and Dubai's Jebel Ali Power station.
- O BUHASA NGL EXTRACTION PLANT: Two processing trains process up to 15.3mcm (540 mcf) per day of associated sour gas from ADCO's nearby Bu Hasa oil field. Gas is then transported via a 50-kilometre pipeline for further processing at Habshan.
- BAB GAS PLANT: A single NGL extraction gas process 4.5 mcm (160 mcf) per day of associated gas from the Bab oil field. Acidic gas is sent to Habshan to be converted to liquid sulphur, while NGL is pipe to GASCO's Ruwais Fractional Plant.
- **O RUWAIS DEFRACTIONATION PLANT:** Gas is pumped from across Abu Dhabi to GASCO's Ruwais facility, where the NGL feed is fractionated into ethane, propane, butane, and naphtha, which are in turn either exported or used as feedstock in neighbouring petro chemicals production facilities. Three NGL fractionation trains give the plant capacity of 48,000 tonnes per day.
- DAS ISLAND: This heavily industrialised 3 kilometre oil and gas processing complex is where ADGAS performs most of its processing storage and export operations. Das Islands LNG and LPG storage facilities have a total capacity of 440,000 cubic metres (15.5 mcf) while sophisticated loading facilities located 700 metres offshore load ADGAS's fleet of LNG carriers that transport products to Japan and other Far Eastern export markets.

### Where to invest

#### **Residential** Demand for over 15,000 units

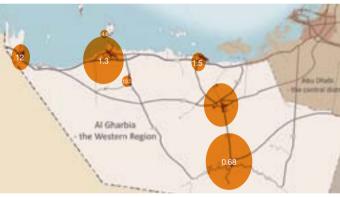


#### Hotels and leisure Demand for 680 hotel rooms and serviced apartments

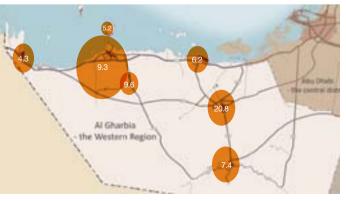


#### Commercial / Office Demand for 77,000 sqm





#### Retail Demand for 63,000 sqm



## Al Gharbia statistics and projections

#### **Regional statistics**

#### Sila

Regional population Current and projected for 2030

2010-2030		CAGR	Uplift
9,300	17,500	3.1	88%

#### Regional residential demand

2010-	-2015	2015-	-2020
Villa	33	Villa	24
TH	585	TH	417
Apart	886	Apart	631

Regional office demand	
000s sqm GLA	

2010	2020
12.0	18.0

#### Regional retail demand 000s sqm GLA

2010	2020
4.3	17.0

#### Regional hospitality demand Rooms

2020
228

Regional indu	istrial demand
000s sqm GLA	

24

2010	2020
36.9	302

Source: WRDC & JLL. Numbers as of July 2011

#### Dalma

**Regional population** Current and projected for 2030

	2010-2030		CAGR	Uplift
	5,500	8,300	2	51%

#### Regional residential demand

0	0		
2010-	-2015	2015-	-2020
Villa	8	Villa	6
TH	141	TH	106
Apart	241	Apart	161

#### Regional office demand 000s sqm GLA 2010 2020

6.9 4.6

#### Regional retail demand 000s sam GLA 2020 2010 8.5 5.2

Regional hospitality demand Rooms

2010	2020	
45	72	

and	Regional indus	Regional industrial demand 000s sqm GLA	
1	2010	2020	20

108.3

13.0

#### Ghayathi

Regional population Current and projected for 2030

2010	-2030	CAGR	Uplift
14,000	21,000	2	50%

#### Regional residential demand

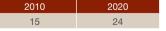
2010-	-2015	2015	-2020
Villa	12	Villa	6
TH	208	TH	97
Apart	315	Apart	147

Regional office demand 000s sqm GLA

2010 2020 13.3 19.0

#### Regional retail demand 000s sam GLA 2020 2010 9.6 21.1

Regional hospitality demand Rooms



al industrial demand n GLA 2020

41.8

321

### 000s sgm GLA

2010	2020
202.9	290.3

#### Ruwais

Regional population Current and projected for 2030

2010 <sup>.</sup>	-2030	CAGR	Uplift
28,900	130,000	7.2	350%

#### Regional residential demand

2010-	-2015	2015-	-2020
Villa	233	Villa	132
TH	2,826	TH	2,307
Apart	4,279	Apart	3,493

#### Regional office demand 000s sqm GLA

2010 2020 26.4 1.3

#### Regional retail demand 000s sam GLA

2010	2020
9.3	18.8
0.0	10.0

#### Regional hospitality demand Rooms

2010	2020
190	204

### Regional industrial demand

2010	2020
202.9	290.3

#### Mirfa

17

Regional population Current and projected for 2030

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2010-2030		CAGR	Uplift
7,300	75,000	7.0	333%

#### Regional residential demand

2010-2015		2015-2020	
Villa	20	Villa	15
TH	357	TH	260
Apart	540	Apart	393

#### Regional office demand 000s sam GLA

2010	2020
1.5	34.3

Regional retail demand 000s sam GLA

2010	2020
6.2	23.6





Regional industrial demand 000s sqm GLA			Regi 000s
	2010	2020	
	10.1	68.2	

ional industrial demand

000s sqm GLA		
2020	2010	
68.2	133	

291



ospi	tality demand	
	2020	



#### Madinat Zayed

2010-2015

Apart 2,184

83

1,442

Villa

TH

000s sqm GLA

000s sam GLA

2010

43.3

2010

20.8

#### Liwa

**Regional population** Current and projected for 2030 Regional population Current and projected for 2030

2010-2015

Villa

TH

Apart

000s sam GLA

2010

7.4

2010	-2030	CAGR	Uplift	2010	-2030	CAGR	Uplift
33,900	61,000	2.9	80%	24,900	65,000	4.7	161%

Regional residential demand

2015-2020

2020

21.0

13

229

Villa

TH

593 Apart 347

#### Regional residential demand

2015-2020	
/illa	18
TH	309
part	468

#### Regional office demand

2020

65.0

#### Regional office demand 000s sam GLA

Regional retail demand

22

391

2010	2020
0.68	50.4

#### Regional retail demand

2020	
55.2	

#### Regional hospitality demand

2020	
24	

#### Regional hospitality demand Rooms

2010	2020
163	257

Regional industrial demand

000s sqm GLA		
2020	2010	2020
1,017.4	90.4	119.5



### Committed leadership support

A word from the Director General of the Western Region Development Council.

Spanning over 60,000 square kilometres, Al Gharbia, the Western Region of Abu Dhabi Emirate is a unique part of the UAE; home to some of the tallest sands dunes in the world, together with over 350 kilometres of untouched coastline containing a spectacular array of marine life. It is where the desert meets the sea and is also one of the main gateways to the UAE being close to the borders of Saudi Arabia and Qatar.

As an integral part of the Abu Dhabi Emirate, Al Gharbia is highly supported by His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces and has the direction of His Highness Sheikh Hamdan Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Ruler's Representative for the Western Region.

Here at WRDC we are on hand to help potential investors, developers and visitors to the region that want to discover its unique opportunities. The council also strives to support the oil and gas sector while working towards diversifying the economic activities in the region.

Already, with various initiatives and projects we are demonstrating the strong and proven determination that we have for our region and our commitment to achieving the vision expressed by our Leadership.

Side-by-side, we are taking bold steps towards our goal.

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