

Candidate Questionnaire Form: 2022-2024 Election

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1. How many years have you lived in the U.A.E.? - 12

2. How many years have you been a member of AmCham Abu Dhabi? Please specify if you are an Individual, Corporate or Platinum member. Individual – 10 years I believe, with some intermittent break due to the pandemic and setting up of a new firm.

3. In what ways have you been an active member?

	Volunteered at events
	Contributed as a Guest Speaker/Presenter at events
Y	Attended 3 or more AmCham Abu Dhabi events
Y	Sponsored events or publications

	Participated in Advocacy Week
Y	Participated in AmCham Committees (Please list below)
	Facilitator/Scribe for Roundtable Summit
	Other (Please list below)

4. Which committees are you interested in participating as an active member?

	Arts, Culture & Education
	Finance
	Industry Committee (Please circle below)
	Human Resources
Y	Legal Affairs

	Membership
	Programs and Events
Y	Roundtable Summit
Y	U.S. – U.A.E. Public Affairs
	Business Leadership Alliance

* Defense, Aerospace & Security * SMEs* Energy & Renewables* COP28/Climate* Healthcare* Digital/Tech*

5. Do you currently serve on the board of any company, business group or association? Please list below.

Member of the Global Advisory Board of Education for Employment.

6. List any experience or association you have with other boards, voluntary positions, or non-profit organizations.

Charter Member – TIE (Talent, Innovation, Entrepreneurship) Dubai and New York Chapters.

Advisory Board Member – New York Law School Dispute Resolution Skills Committee.

Member – ABANA (Arab Bankers Association of North America) – past 10 years.

7. If you are elected to the 2022-2024 Board of Directors, how will you contribute to the overall growth and success of AmCham Abu Dhabi?

To get more American businesses that are here in Abu Dhabi on board as members.

To bring in members from different communities that would like to do business with American companies in the region – Indian, Emirati, European.

To give more American companies opportunity with the Leadership of Abu Dhabi Global Markets and the Abu Dhabi Stock Exchange, whom we are closely aligned with.

To develop more programming for technology start ups in the US to access opportunities in Abu Dhabi.

8. What specific ideas do you have for AmCham Abu Dhabi to further its mission in the next year? How will you help implement and deliver results?

More programming regarding entrepreneurship in Abu Dhabi. More involvement with the new strategic plan at ADGM, and the ambitions of the Abu Dhabi Stock Exchange to attract American companies to list here.

We will plan events with ADIO, ADGM, and ADX to promote these opportunities and attract more US companies.

We would like to work with some American schools to bring students over for exchange programs and cultural missions to educate them about opportunities in the UAE and broaden their horizons. This will be done in coordination with the

Ministry of Education and some of the higher educational institutions here with whom we have relationships.

9. Are you willing to attend committee meetings during work hours or volunteer on weekends for events?

Yes.

10. What is your overall message to the AmCham membership?

The UAE has become a beacon of stability, peace, and prosperity during what have certainly been times of great upheaval in world affairs. Conflict in the Middle East, the Covid pandemic, and recent war in Eastern Europe. As the UAE continues to grow and attract people from all over the world, and build a dynamic society, its important that American firms, American "soft-power", and "American Exceptionalism" are among the foremost ingredients in this mix. Abu Dhabi sets the tone for the nation's future, Am Cham Abu Dhabi has the opportunity to be an active part of that future through dynamic leadership, programming that fosters integration and knowledge exchange, and the optimism of its membership that is evident in all our activities here and all that we represent. I am keen to be a part of this and to further fuel that mission.