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The text of all our translations is fully searchable, so as well as searching for the name of any legislation, you can also search for terms within the translations.

Search with speed
Our aim is to save you time. Westlaw Middle East has been created with you in mind. Functionality is intuitive and navigation is easy-to-use offering you a research tool that works in line with your search path and that takes you to that vital piece of information you are looking for. Fast.

Search with ease
Our Master Gazette Index is set up for you to search through titles of all laws in English and Arabic.

Search with confidence
With all translations carried out by legal specialists and supervised by our own in-house regional expert legal team, you can be sure that you are working with an accurate, intelligent translation. And with all laws consolidated, you can be confident that you are referring to the latest version.
Your intuitive, easy-to-use search platform providing you with accurate, intelligent legal data in English and Arabic
Providing you with an extensive library

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Find that piece of information that helps unlock a case. Our extensive online library hosts:

Over 75,000 English laws and regulations. We ensure that all legislation is consolidated, so you can be sure you are viewing the latest version.

Territories covered:

**UAE:**
- Over 50,000 laws and regulations from across the UAE in Arabic from the Master Gazette Index
- Laws covering Federal legislation and legislation from each of the 7 emirates and UAE free zones
- English translations of the most commercially relevant and widely-used laws and regulations from across the UAE
- Going back as far as 1960, this legislation spans a wide range of subjects from commercial and immigration law through to IP and real estate law

**Qatar:**
- Over 15,000 laws and regulations from the Master Gazette Index of Qatar going back to as far as 1961
- English translations of Qatari laws and regulations with links to the original Arabic text

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- English translations of over 10,000 laws and regulations with links to the original Arabic text
- Federal legislation is sourced from the Official Gazette and covers 10,000 commercial legislation spanning from 1922 until present
Find the case that helps you win yours. Cases now available in both English and Arabic from some jurisdictions.

Translations of principles from over:

• 8,000 Court of Cassation Judgments from UAE, Qatar and Iraq

Courts in the UAE include:

- Union Supreme Court
- Abu Dhabi Court of Cassation
- Dubai Court of Cassation
- Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Courts cover: DIFC Court of First Instance, DIFC Court of Appeal, DIFC Small Claims Tribunal
- RAK Court of Cassation
Books and annotations

Key texts on the interpretation and application of the civil, commercial and business laws, covering: corporate formation, customs, employment, foreign investment, insolvency law, intellectual property, foreign investment, bankruptcy, litigation taxation, etc.

- Encyclopedia of Dubai Property Laws, Decrees and Legislation
- The UAE Civil Code and Ministry of Justice Commentary 2010, James Whelan
- Business laws of the UAE
- Intellectual Property Law and Practice of the UAE
- Annotated Guide to UAE Arbitration – Volume I: The UAE Arbitration Chapter
- Annotation of the UAE Labour Law
- Annotation of the UAE Real Estate Law

Journals

- Court Uncourt by STA Law Firm
- Law Update by Al Tamimi & Co
- MENA Briefing by Clyde & Co
- International Review of Law

Current awareness

Our news and current awareness features will keep you up to speed with the Middle East legal industry and related businesses, so you can stay one step ahead of your peers. In addition to being available on Westlaw Middle East, these weekly bulletins can be sent directly to your inbox.
Service Delivery

As a valued client of Westlaw Middle East, we are here to support your research and translation needs regarding commercial legislations and cases.

Requests are processed in a committed time frame and to the highest standard of accuracy. Research and translations are sent to you first, and are later loaded to the system and made accessible to all users.

Keeping you connected to your industry and the latest legal developments in the region.
News

Our comprehensive collection of news sources allows you to freely access key titles from around the world conveniently located in one place, at your leisure. And to ensure you don’t miss a breaking story, we also share a live news feed from Reuters with Newsroom via our website.

Alerts

To ensure you stay up to date with developments in a specific area of law you might be focused on, we provide an alerts service informing you of new content additions to Westlaw Middle East that are relevant to your practice. There’s no need to wait for printed reports to be published, you can rely on us to bring you new judgments and laws as they are passed or a decision is made.

An easier way to the right result

Having a central source containing all the information you need in one place is an advantage but it’s even more effective when you combine it with search tools that return that vital piece of information you are looking for, quickly and easily. Westlaw Middle East was designed with speed and the end-user in mind. With results linked to related material, it helps make your searches more efficient, every time.
Westlaw Middle East Advantage

In the current legal climate, where everyone is being asked to do more with less, Westlaw Middle East can provide your firm or organisation with the tools needed to work more quickly and more efficiently, without compromising quality. And it’s not just for the information professional or PSL; the system provides benefits for users across any business, whether they have a legal background or not.
The fee earner

- Pass work to trainees with confidence that they can find accurate, authoritative information with ease
- Free up time for billable hours – research tasks are completed quicker
- Have confidence that you’re using the best tools – enhancements to Westlaw Middle East are fuelled by customer requests. The features of the service are built specifically for online and content is written by expert practitioners, so you can be sure it’s intuitive and authoritative

The in-house lawyer

- Westlaw Middle East renowned for being easy to navigate, with information clearly displayed on screen, whilst having completely comprehensive content sets, meaning you should be able to find information you need quickly and easily
- With pressures to reduce department spend, Westlaw Middle East can save you always having to assign research to external counsel
- Set up alerts to be notified of any changes to the law in your industry, ensuring that you’re compliant. You can also set up alerts to be notified any time a competitor is mentioned in any news article, case or journal, enabling you to stay ahead of the game
- Mitigate the risk of relying on out-of-date information – Westlaw Middle East is updated on a daily basis, so it’s safer to rely on than free sites
- Save time cross-referencing past and present versions of provisions – the majority of legislation on Westlaw Middle East consolidated with options to see previous and future versions
- Download the PDF of any journal article or extract from a textbook available on Westlaw Middle East, for reading on your commute

PSL or trainee

- Get up to speed on a new area of law quickly using Westlaw Middle East. Very useful for trainees, it also gives them links to key related cases, legislation and journals
- Research takes a fraction of the time – what used to take half a day can now take half an hour. Direct links to referenced content across the site saves vast amounts of time performing multiple searches or looking through different sources
- Mitigate the risk of using out-of-date information – Westlaw Middle East updated on a daily basis, so it’s safer to rely on than free sites
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