UAE’s Thriving Private-Education Sector

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1. The UAE stands out as one of the most mature private-education markets in the MENA region.

2. It continues to attract investors, education providers and students alike.

3. In 2022-2023 the number of students enrolled in Dubai’s private schools surpassed 300,000 for the first time ever.

4. The private education sector across the UAE is anticipated to see a Cumulative Average Growth Rate of 5% from 2022 to 2027.

5. This growth in the private-education sector is driven by a rising expat population and legislative reforms encouraging foreign investment.
Our specialised services include:

1. Policy, Regulatory, and Compliance Guidance
   - Assistance with adhering to the education sector’s regulations and policies.
   - Expertise on licensing (both commercial and educational) and academic accreditation matters.

2. Partnership with Foreign or Third-Party Higher Education Providers
   - Advising on partnerships with foreign educational institutions for specialised courses or joint/dual degrees ensuring legal and regulatory adherence.
Corporate Structuring Advice & Implementation:

- Assisting with acquisitions involving existing educational institutions in the UAE;
- Management of share transfers and ownership changes.
- Setting up nurseries, private schools or training centres as a limited liability company or a branch of a foreign or local company;
- Structuring and restructuring procedures.
4 Governance and Board Advisory

Advising on governance, board structures, and corporate governance requirements.

Procedures related to managerial or board changes, school principals, academic councils, and overall corporate governance.

5 Training Centres

Advising on all aspects of training centres, encompassing those within educational establishments and vocational course providers.
For expert guidance and support in navigating the education sector's complexities and harnessing its potential, contact our Education team. edsector@tamimi.com