Start or expand your business in Saudi Arabia with

IMBS helps foreign investors, entrepreneurs and international companies establish, license and operate businesses across Saudi Arabia. From MISA investment registration and Commercial Registration to sector licensing, corporate bank account support, visa and Iqama processing, tax registration, PRO services and ongoing compliance, our team supports every stage of your Saudi market entry, from your first feasibility question to your first year of operations.

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TRUSTED BUSINESS SETUP SUPPORT FOR INVESTORS ENTERING SAUDI ARABIA

IMBS works with entrepreneurs, SMEs and international companies seeking professional company formation, licensing and compliance support across the Kingdom. Over more than a decade of operating in the Saudi market, our team has guided investors from different countries through company registration, MISA licensing, banking, visas and post-formation compliance with offices in Riyadh, Jeddah and Dammam to support clients wherever they choose to establish.

Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 reforms have opened the door to 100% foreign ownership across most sectors, streamlined digital registration through the Saudi Business Center, and made the Kingdom one of the fastest-growing markets in the GCC for new company formation. Entering that market correctly the first time with the right structure, the right licenses and the right banking and compliance setup saves investors months of avoidable delay.

Your Trusted Partner for PRO & Compliance in Saudi Arabia

IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services provides end-to-end support for business setup in Saudi Arabia. Our team assists foreign investors with investment registration, company incorporation, Commercial Registration, government portals, sector licensing and ongoing corporate compliance.

CLIENTS
1,000+
Companies Registered

YEARS
10+
Years of Experience

LOCATIONS
3
Saudi Office Locations

RATING
4.9/5
Client Satisfaction

Complete Business Setup Services for Saudi Market Entry

Company Formation

MISA investment registration, company incorporation, Commercial Registration and constitutional documents handled as one coordinated process so approvals happen in the right order the first time.

Explore Company Formation

Licensing and Compliance

IMBS assists with trading, industrial, transport, restaurant, real estate and other sector-specific licenses, plus PRO services for ongoing government filings, renewals and workforce documentation.

View Business Licenses

Banking Support

Corporate bank account opening guidance and documentation coordination we prepare your CR, MISA license, Articles of Association and signatory paperwork before submission to avoid the delays that stall most first-time applicants.

Ask About Bank Account Support →

Tax & ZATCA Registration

VAT registration, e-invoicing (FATOORAH) compliance, and ongoing tax filing support registered alongside company formation, not retrofitted after your first filing deadline.

Get Tax & Compliance Support →

Visa & Iqama Processing

Investor visas, employee work visas, Iqama issuance and Saudization compliance planned against your actual hiring needs so your visa quota matches your staffing plan from day one.

Discuss Your Visa & Hiring Plan →

Premium Residency Advisory

Long-term residency options for investors, executives, skilled professionals and their families assessed independently of, or alongside, your company registration.

Learn About Premium Residency →

How It Works

A Clear Path to Establishing Your Business in Saudi Arabia

IMBS coordinates your business setup through a structured process, from initial activity assessment to licensing, registration and operational compliance.

8-Step Timeline

Simple process flow

01 **Activity Assessment**

02 **Investment Registration**

03 **Incorporation**

04 **Commercial Registration**

05 **Municipal Licensing**

06 **Bank Account**

07 **Tax Registration**

08 **Visas & Iqama**

01 Activity Assessment

We review your business activities, ownership structure and licensing requirements, and confirm whether you qualify for 100% foreign ownership under current MISA rules.

02 Investment Registration

We prepare and submit your MISA investment registration, including shareholder identification and attested parent-company documents for foreign-owned entities.

03 Incorporation

We draft and finalize your Articles of Association and constitutional documents, ready for government filing.

04 Commercial Registration

We secure your Commercial Registration (CR) through the Saudi Business Center the number used with every authority, bank and counterparty in the Kingdom.

05 Municipal Licensing

We register your company with the Chamber of Commerce, obtain the required municipal (Baladiya) approvals for your activity, and set up your National Address.

06 Bank Account

We prepare and coordinate the documentation your chosen bank requires to open your corporate account, avoiding the delays caused by incomplete first submissions.

07 Tax Registration

We register your company with ZATCA for VAT and e-invoicing, and enrol it with GOSI for social insurance ahead of your first hire.

08 Visas & Iqama

We process investor and employee visas, Iqama issuance, Qiwa and Muqeem setup, and Saudization planning so your company is ready to operate and hire.

Start Your Company Formation Assessment

Opening a Corporate Bank Account in Saudi Arabia

A Commercial Registration alone does not let a company transact a corporate bank account is required before you can pay suppliers, receive customer payments, run payroll, or complete several government filings that check for an active bank relationship.
Saudi banks typically require: your CR certificate, Articles of Association, Chamber of Commerce membership, MISA license (for foreign-owned entities), shareholder and authorized-signatory identification, and a company stamp. Some banks also request a business plan or expected transaction profile, particularly for newly licensed foreign entities.
Timelines vary by bank and by how complete the documentation package is on first submission incomplete paperwork is the most common cause of delay. IMBS prepares and reviews your banking file before submission, coordinates with your chosen bank's business relationship team, and tracks the account-opening process alongside your CR and licensing steps so banking doesn't become the bottleneck in your launch timeline.

Ask About Bank Account Support

Visas, Iqama & Saudization for New Companies

Once your company is registered, bringing yourself or employees into the country to work legally requires a separate visa and residency process, layered on top of company registration:

01 Investor Visa

For foreign shareholders and directors who need to enter and manage the business directly

02 Work Visas & Iqama

The residency permit required for any foreign employee working in Saudi Arabia, issued after visa entry and medical/biometric formalities

03 Qiwa & Muqeem Portals

The government platforms used to manage employment contracts, visa quotas, and residency status electronically

04 Saudization (Nitaqat)

The government's workforce nationalization program, which sets minimum Saudi-national hiring ratios by sector and company size, and directly affects how many foreign work visas your company can sponsor

Getting the visa quota, job titles and Saudization category right at the point of company registration avoids costly restructuring later a company registered without factoring in its intended hiring plan can find its visa quota doesn't match its actual staffing needs. IMBS reviews your hiring plan alongside your company formation so your visa allocation, Iqama processing and Saudization category are set up correctly from day one.

Discuss Your Visa & Hiring Plan

Tax, VAT & ZATCA Compliance for New Businesses

Every company operating in Saudi Arabia must register with the Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority (ZATCA) and stay current on several overlapping obligations:

01 VAT Registration

Mandatory once taxable turnover exceeds the statutory threshold, with standard VAT charged on most goods and services

02 E-Invoicing (FATOORAH)

ZATCA's electronic invoicing mandate requires compliant invoicing systems integrated with the authority's platform, phased in by company size and revenue

03 Corporate Income Tax / Zakat

Saudi and GCC-owned shares are typically subject to Zakat, while foreign-owned shares are subject to corporate income tax a distinction that matters directly for how a joint-venture or foreign-owned entity is structured

04 Withholding Tax

Applicable on certain payments made to non-resident parties, relevant for companies with cross-border contracts, royalties or service agreements

Getting this wrong isn't just a compliance risk it affects cash flow planning and investor reporting from month one. IMBS coordinates ZATCA registration, e-invoicing setup and ongoing filing support alongside your company formation, so tax compliance is built in from the start rather than retrofitted after your first filing deadline.

Get Tax & Compliance Support

Choosing the Right Business Structure and License

The right legal structure and license type depends on your activity, ownership plan and growth intentions:

01 LLC (Limited Liability Company)

The most common structure for foreign investors, suited to most trading, service and industrial activities

02 Sole Establishment

For individual owners operating under simplified registration

03 Branch of a Foreign Company

For companies extending an existing international operation into Saudi Arabia without incorporating a new local entity

04 Sector-Specific Licenses

Trading, industrial, restaurant, real estate, transport and other activity-based licenses layered on top of your core registration

Choosing incorrectly at the start can mean re-licensing later, at additional cost and delay — our activity assessment step exists specifically to prevent that.

Compare License Types

Why Saudi Arabia: Market Opportunity Under Vision 2030

Saudi Arabia recorded over 71,000 new commercial registrations in the first quarter of 2026 alone, bringing total active registrations in the Kingdom past 1.89 million a scale of market entry activity that reflects both economic diversification under Vision 2030 and continued regulatory simplification for foreign investors. Sectors including e-commerce, logistics, technology and tourism have seen some of the fastest registration growth in the region.
For investors comparing Saudi Arabia against other GCC hubs, the calculus has shifted: sector-specific 100% foreign ownership, direct MISA licensing, and a large, fast-growing domestic consumer market make the Kingdom a primary rather than secondary market for many industries not simply an extension of a UAE or Bahrain-based regional strategy.

Who We Help

IMBS works with a wide range of investors entering the Saudi market, each with different priorities:

01 Foreign entrepreneurs and startups

Launching a first Saudi entity and needing full-service guidance from activity selection through to hiring

02 International companies

Opening a Saudi branch or subsidiary to serve GCC clients without relocating headquarters

03 SMEs relocating or expanding

From neighboring GCC markets who need a Saudi-specific structure, bank relationship and compliance setup rather than a copy of their existing regional arrangement.

04 Franchise operators and licensees

Bringing an established brand into Saudi Arabia, where activity classification and municipal licensing often differ from the home market

05 High-net-worth individuals and executives

Seeking Saudi Premium Residency alongside or independent of a business registration

06 Established Saudi businesses

Amending their CR, adding activities, restructuring ownership or resolving compliance gaps in an existing entity

Whatever stage you're at from a first feasibility question to renewing an existing CR our team can pick up the process at the point you need support, rather than requiring you to start over with a new advisor.

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What Investors and Business Owners Say About IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services

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MA SHA ALLAH...Cooperative staff Especially Mrs Kainat Regarding the own CR and whole process.....

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What does IMBS do? −

IMBS, also known as Israr Modern Business Services, helps local and foreign investors start, register, license, and manage businesses in Saudi Arabia. Our services include business setup in Saudi Arabia, company formation, MISA company setup, Commercial Registration, licensing, PRO services, government relations, corporate compliance, and Saudi Premium Residency advisory.

How can I start a business in Saudi Arabia? +

What is MISA company setup in Saudi Arabia? +

How do I open a business bank account in Saudi Arabia? +

Do I need a visa to open a company in Saudi Arabia, or only to work there? +

What taxes does a new company in Saudi Arabia need to register for? +

Can a foreign investor own 100% of a company in Saudi Arabia? +

What is Commercial Registration in Saudi Arabia? +

What types of business licenses does IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services support? +

What is a trading license in Saudi Arabia? +

What are PRO services in Saudi Arabia? +

What documents are usually required for company formation? +

How much does it cost to set up a company in Saudi Arabia? +

Does IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services help with Saudi Premium Residency? +

Does IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services offer free business assessment tools? +

How can I contact IMBS – Israr Modern Business Services? +

Frequently Asked Questions About Business Setup in Saudi Arabia

Find answers to common questions about foreign investment, MISA registration, company incorporation, business licensing and operating requirements in Saudi Arabia.

Contact Us

Ready to Establish Your Business in Saudi Arabia?

Speak with IMBS about company formation, MISA registration, business licensing and ongoing compliance support.

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