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Statement on Continued Support

mirates Green Building Council (EmiratesGBC) is proud to continue its engagement and full support of the UN Global Compact (UNGC) and its ten principles. As a member-driven organization, EmiratesGBC is committed to supporting the advancement of these principles which address human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption, and we are committed to conveying information and development to our members and community stakeholders through our events, initiatives, and operations.

This report is the first Communication on Engagement (COE) submitted by EmiratesGBC to the UNGC and aims to summarize our progress. Because this is our first COE, we have opted to provide a summary of our activities and outreach since inception, illustrating that our commitment to the UNGC principles dates back even further than our formal participation to the UNGC.

EmiratesGBC continues to participate in activities and initiatives of the UNGC where feasible through the local UNGC Network and through our professional and community awareness and outreach. In line with our own principles, EmiratesGBC is dedicated to upholding accountability and transparency and is proud to serve as a participant in the Global Compact since 2014.

Saeed Al Abbar

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Introduction

Introduction

The Impact of a Country's Growth and Development



he United Arab Emirates was founded in 1971 and its history of development involves a steady trajectory of growth and progress in nearly every sector of urban development. This growth was evidently fueled by the wealth brought in from the global trade of oil; however, the corresponding economy and foreign investment created by this wealth also provided space for the market expansion of lateral internal economies such as housing, tourism, infrastructure, and commerce. The new market void was rapidly filled up by the exponential growth in the country's population leading to further growth in the industrial and service sectors. It is estimated that between 1965 and 2013, the UAE's population increased by 6280%, with 85% of its residents residing in urban developments and situated mainly in Abu Dhabi and Dubai.¹

The demands of a growing population coupled with demand for a high standard of living also enabled Dubai's economy to build a strong niche in the service and tourism sector which flourished and led to the construction of several shopping malls, centers, and entertainment venues. Additionally, the population's need for housing was also tied with the need for schools, hospitals, roads, and transportation facilities, resulting in a development boom that has seen steady upward growth for several years. Over time, several of the nation's seven Emirates have undergone a thorough transformation: from arid desert to a "political, economic, and financial success story"².

The synergistic growth and the ensuing demand for water and energy has shown that over the years, while the UAE experienced remarkable financial prosperity, its environment and local resources were put under immense strain, especially as environmental regulations in the country remained nonexistent through several decades of development. A change was soon forthcoming in the UAE though as leaders grew more aware of the environmental and economic consequences of business-as-usual growth.

¹ Dubaifags; World Bank 2014 Doing Business Report; World Bank Urban population %, 2012.

² Mayo, A.; Nohria, N.; Mendhro, U.; Cromwell, J. 2010

Emirates Green Building Council (EmiratesGBC)

Mission and Vision

The EmiratesGBC was formed in 2006 with the goal of advancing green building principles in the UAE that would help to protect the environment and promote sustainability. Since its inception, the Council has evolved its mission and vision and today the EmiratesGBC functions as a common platform for all stakeholders (see Fig. 1) in the building industry supply chain, whereby they can meet, discuss, interact, and exchange groundbreaking ideas and help promote a sustainable built environment. Essentially, EmiratesGBC serves the UAE as:

- a) A prime <u>driver</u> and <u>facilitator</u> of UAE's position and aspiration to be a global leader for sustainability of the built environment, and
- b) A <u>catalyst</u> for collaboration and a hub for excellence to promote sustainability of the built environment in the UAE.

Goals a) and b) comprise EmiratesGBC's **Vision** and **Mission** respectively.



Figure 1. The stakeholders EmiratesGBC serves to connect within the region.

Formation History

In 2002 and 2003, significant changes began to occur within the UAE: the steady growth and development of the previous decades had sped up suddenly and at an unprecedented level. Massive construction projects were taking hold of available land and towering skyscrapers were sprouting quickly. In nearly two years, Dubai had grown a skyline relatively "overnight".

Soon, a number of discussions on sustainability and green buildings started to take place through outreach campaigns and community meetings, eventually seeding the concept of a Green Building Council. The need for a focused institution was evident from the outset and eventually everything began to fall into place with meetings regularly being held. The discussions systematically formed the founding members whose collaboration eventually led to the formation of the Emirates Green Building Council.

Initial Development

The effort to streamline the organization's logistics culminated with the official launch of EmiratesGBC in July 2006 – a fledgling operation but one that had already generated substantial buzz in the building construction and design industry.

During the first Board meeting, the new members approved the bylaws and budgets that had been brainstormed during previous



sessions, and they voted on new members of the Council's governing body including its officers and committees.

meeting

Photo 1. 2007 Opening of the EmiratesGBC Office Headquarters

The next step

was to utilize the momentum of interest from within the industry and the Board embarked on an extensive outreach campaign. Most leading companies within the construction industry were approached including developers, material providers, MEP practitioners, as well as financial institutions. Since that time,

EmiratesGBC has grown strong and by the end of 2015 membership stood at 160 corporate members and 54 individual members.

Partnerships

EmiratesGBC has been a member of World Green Building Council since 2006 and uses the umbrella organization to network and share knowledge with green building councils across the globe. In June 2014, EmiratesGBC took steps to become a participant to the UN Global Compact, and in 2015 it joined hands with UNEP and the Centre for Environment and Development for the Arab Region & Europe (CEDARE) to produce a regional report on the State of Play of Green Buildings and Sustainable Cities.

In addition to the global partnerships, the Council has established many beneficial local partnerships with NGO's, government authorities, and academic institutions to further strategically position the Council and expand its reach and offerings. Such strategic partnerships allow the Council to have a stronger position in influencing green building regulations and raising awareness on critical sustainability topics in the building industry. Many of these partnerships also helped form the training ground through which the Council and its members currently appreciate a myriad choice of educational activities and events, such as the Technical Workshops, an Annual Congress, Focus Days and Seminars, an Annual Awards, and its LEED and Certified Energy Manager (CEM) and Certified Energy Auditor (CEA) Training events.

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Photo 3. MOU Signing with RIT in 2014

ISO Certification

EmiratesGBC obtained ISO Certification 9001-2008 and 14001-2004 in September 2011 and March 2013, respectively, and has maintained the certifications each year since, thus further cementing the credibility of the Council and its commitment to quality in its operations and environmental management.

Organizational Structure & Governance

The organizational structure is laid out in the **EmiratesGBC bylaws** which serves as the framework for which the Council operates. It is comprised of a membership scheme that includes both corporate and individual members. EmiratesGBC is governed by a Board of Directors that is comprised of founding members and corporate member organizations in the United Arab Emirates that encompass a range of sectors in the building industry. The Board

meets quarterly and oversees the overarching direction and message of the Council.

Since 2011, the Council has experienced a steady growth in its personnel. With its staff retention rates stable and the number of staff steadily increasing, the EmiratesGBC office has been able to more effectively engage the Council's members, expand the programs offered, and produce more consistent offerings. In its early development years, the office team consisted only of an Operations Director and Executive Secretary. Today the team also includes positions for Education & Awareness, Stakeholder Engagement & Communications, and Technical Officers. EmiratesGBC fully implements the UAE labour law, entitling employees to medical insurance, annual leave, annual flights to their home countries and gratuity at the end of their service.



Photo 4. EmiratesGBC Office Team May 2016

Diversity is highly valued and each employee is treated fairly and with respect to the different backgrounds and experiences they bring to the team. Professional development and capacity building opportunities are made available to the office team whenever possible.

Since 2014, EmiratesGBC has a **Code of Conduct** in place that is signed by its Board of Directors, Corporate and Individual Members, and Office Staff. The EmiratesGBC Code of Conduct covers the following:

- 1. Memberships and Partnerships will be conducted treated fairly and without discrimination.
- 2. Every person will be treated with honesty, respect and dignity.
- 3. UAE culture and custom will be respected.
- 4. Accept accountability and responsibility for one's own actions.
- 5. Abide by the laws and regulations of the UAE.
- 6. Be honest in internal and external communications with stakeholders and the public.
- 7. Treat non-public information with confidentiality and protect it from misuse.
- 8. Maintain accuracy in the book-keeping and reporting of EmiratesGBC.
- 9. Promote a safe and healthy work environment.
- 10. Promote integrity and ethics, adhering strictly to anticorruption principles.

Memberships

The Emirates Green Building Council is a membership-driven organization comprised of industry professionals dedicated to green building solutions and practices. Since its inception in 2006, EmiratesGBC has experienced growing membership rates. Members include developers, consultants, engineers, architects, interior designers, contractors, environmentalists, facilities management, manufacturers, suppliers, universities, and banks.

Communications

EmiratesGBC shares industry information with a growing base of subscribers who have opted to receive news and updates from the Council. This includes other regional and global green building councils as well as industry professionals from the Middle East & North Africa (MENA) region, and around the globe. The total number of subscribers to EmiratesGBC newsletters and announcements has reached nearly 4000 email addresses. Subscribers receive industry news and announcements from EmiratesGBC regularly, including the monthly newsletter.

In addition to its email distribution list, the Council also reaches out to both the industry and the general community through its social media channels. EmiratesGBC has three active social media accounts, which include LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook. The social media feeds are used to share industry news on regulations and best practice and also provides updates on the Councils activities and upcoming events.

EmiratesGBC Initiatives

Cooperative Agreements

EmiratesGBC has reached out and forged strategic partnerships in the region by retaining verbal and documented Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with several governmental and non-governmental entities. In addition to the agreement and cooperation of its partners who express support and advocate for EmiratesGBC's long and short-term goals, the MOUs also serve to build the necessary groundwork of environmentally motivated initiatives that can eventually scale up to the federal level and be translated into new environmentally friendly regulations and policies.



Photo 5. MOU signing between EmiratesGBC and Ajman Tourism & Development Authority

See Table 1 on the following page for a list of the cooperation agreements in place.

The following table lists parties that have signed MOU's with EmiratesGBC:

Government	Semi-Government	NGOs	Academia
Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council	Dubai Carbon Center of Excellence (DCCE)	Dubai Chamber of	British University in Dubai
(UPC)		Commerce & Industry	(BUiD)
Emirates Standardization &	Masdar	Emirates Environment	Rochester Institute of
Metrology Authority		Group	Technology - Dubai
Dubai Central Laboratory (Dubai		Middle East Facilities	American University of
Municipality)		Management	Sharjah
		Association	
Ajman Municipality		Emirates Wildlife	Heriot Watt University-
Ajman wumcipanty		Society – in association	Dubai
		with WWF	Dubai
Ajman Tourism & Development		Foundation for	RAK Research and
Authority		Environmental	Innovation Center
		Education	
Abu Dhabi Quality and Conformity		French Business Council	
Council (ADQCC)			
Ministry of Infrastructure		Clean Energy Business	
Development		Council	
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Table 1. List of EmiratesGBC strategic partnerships established through MOUs

EmiratesGBC Technical Programs

With support from many of the strategic partners, EmiratesGBC has established a number of programs and projects that have led to or are leading to greater progress towards the Council's vision and mission. Programs are both technical and educational and all aim to further drive sustainability and green building practices in the UAE and across the region.

EmiratesGBC Energy Efficiency Program

Research conducted by the Inter-Governmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC) found that improving the efficiency of existing buildings has the highest potential for cost effective reductions in carbon emissions. With a relatively small industrial sector, the majority of electricity consumption in the UAE occurs in buildings with estimates of 80% of total electricity consumption attributable to buildings widely cited.

As a response, the Emirates Green Building Council created a taskforce of industry experts to identify the major challenges that inhibit the widespread implementation of energy efficiency projects in buildings in the UAE and proposed approaches that can be taken to overcome these challenges. In December 2014, EmiratesGBC officially launched its Energy Efficiency Program (EEP), a program that includes an online database and service that serves to connect all stakeholders in the energy efficiency market and streamline the fragmented energy retrofit industry. Through the EEP, energy consultants will more effectively connect with contractors, equipment vendors, facility management companies,

banks, insurance companies and other players in the private sector.

In June 2015 under the EEP umbrella, EmiratesGBC published its first set of Technical Guidelines which provides energy retrofit solutions for existing buildings in the UAE. The *EmiratesGBC*

Technical Guidelines for Retrofitting Existing **Buildings** comprehensive set of instructions that guide industry professionals and end-users on the current processes, technologies, and standards place, for the successful energy efficient retrofit of existing buildings. The Technical Guidelines are available in both English and Arabic and obtainable through the EmiratesGBC office.



Green Key Program

Green Key is an international sustainability certification program for hotels and accommodations that is managed by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE). EmiratesGBC is the National Operator of the Green Key certification in the United Arab Emirates since 2013. Green Key is recognized by the World Tourism Organization and the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), and is the largest global eco-label relating to accommodation.



As of June 2016, EmiratesGBC has audited and awarded 27 four- and five-star hotels and hotel apartments in the UAE with the Green Key certification, while many other hotel properties have shown interest in participating in the program. EmiratesGBC is well on its way to growing the certification program in the UAE and encouraging hotels

to take part in increasing their sustainability efforts.

The Green Key program ties in nicely with the Council's efforts to reach out to the UAE hospitality industry. The hospitality sector is the first sector-based program, launched by EmiratesGBC in June 2013, and will be used as a basis for the development of other sector-based programs in the future. The Hospitality Program is working to help hotel properties reduce their carbon footprint via energy benchmarking and tailored trainings for hotel properties and hospitality professionals and authorities.

EmiratesGBC Events

Fostering knowledge development and capacity building within the UAE community, EmiratesGBC has developed a wide range of educational events related to sustainability and the green building concept. These activities are designed to provide useful information and learning forums for green building approaches, techniques and services.

Annual Congress

The first Annual EmiratesGBC Congress was held in 2012, and the running theme was 'Innovations in Sustainability'. Over 150 delegates participated in the 2-day event which included a conference comprising several distinguished speakers, a gala dinner and workshops. The 2-day Congress was a milestone for EmiratesGBC, showing it had the resources and support to develop and carry out such an important event, one of the few conferences in the UAE organized by a non-commercial organization focusing on green buildings. The conference welcomed several high profile government speakers and also included international speakers.



Photo 6. HE Dr Thani Alzeyoudi delivering keynote address at the Annual Congress 2015

Each year since, the Annual Congress has been a flagship event for EmiratesGBC that continues to grow and draw on local, regional and international participants. The Congress platform for an educational discussing trends in green buildings and sustainability on building and city-level scale. It has been used for local government bodies to make new announcements to the building and for construction industry and international organizations to link their the region, particularly work to

important for a region such as the Middle East that continues to mature in its influence and importance.

Annual Awards

The EmiratesGBC Awards Program honours companies that demonstrate clear implementation of sustainable design, construction and/or operation of buildings and structures. Its ultimate goal is to help establish a regional model for the sustainable built environment that is world class and replicable. Announced in 2012 alongside the Annual Congress and launched in 2013, the Annual EmiratesGBC Awards was another milestone for EmiratesGBC. It has grown and gained attention as the awards platform for the industry by an industry forum, which increases its credibility. Also contributing to its credibility and transparency, an external auditor has been brought on board each year to audit the judging and awarding process of the Awards Program.



Photo 7. Award Winners from the 2016 EmiratesGBC Awards

Professional Award categories include Green Building of the Year, Training Initiative of the Year, Green Building Product/Material of the Year, to name a few. A Student Excellence Award is also presented to a student from a local university who has shown exceptional research work in the field of green building, design or engineering.

The EmiratesGBC Awards Gala has been showcased as a standalone event since 2014, giving EmiratesGBC two major events each year. During the 2016 EmiratesGBC Awards Gala, the rebranding of the Awards Program from EmiratesGBC Awards to the MENA Green Building Awards was announced. This rebranding will start with the 2017 Awards cycle and will bring on board other GBC partners to help expand the reach of the Awards across the MENA region.

Networking Events

Since 2009, EmiratesGBC has also been hosting networking events which are open to both members and non-members. The networking events feature a short presentation or panel discussion about a relevant building topic, followed by a short Q&A session and networking opportunity. Topics that have been covered in past events include discussions on green economies, Dubai EXPO, waste management, building energy efficiency, and sustainable housing, to name just a few.

As of June 2016, EmiratesGBC has hosted a total of 30 Networking Events attended by over 1,600 professionals with an average attendance of 55 participants per event.

Seminars and Focus Day Forums

Since 2010, EmiratesGBC has provided an active platform of seminars and focus forums that promote education and awareness. These events go into more depth on a topic than the format of Networking Events and often provide perspectives from various industry sectors and disciplines, often looking closely at:

- a) Local and industry regulations in sustainable building, construction, and facility management.
- b) New and existing regional policies related to energy efficiency, and
- c) Innovative solutions for the enhancement of sustainable design in the built environment.

Building Tours

In addition to the above activities, EmiratesGBC also facilitates building tours of local sustainably built structures to offer first-hand knowledge exchange and share lessons learned as well as make available information on new and existing building certifications. Recent building tours have included the DEWA LEED Platinum Headquarters, The Change Initiative in Dubai, Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Masdar City, The Sustainable City in Dubai, Sheikh Zayed Desert Learning Center, and Dubai Airport Free Zone Authority.

Figure 2 depicts the reach EmiratesGBC events have had over the years, including networking events, focus forums, seminars and building tours.



Photo 8. EmiratesGBC members touring the Sheikh Zayed Desert Learning Center in March 2016

EmiratesGBC Events

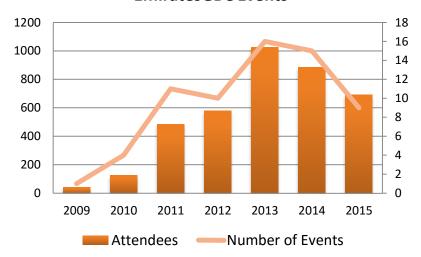


Figure 2. Attendance record at EmiratesGBC Events

Training Programs

In early 2007, EmiratesGBC had identified a need to introduce technical training for professionals, and training courses were offered on the Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) sustainable rating offered by USGBC.

Initial training programs provided LEED training courses to members covering LEED GA and LEED AP (BD+C and EBOM). In 2013, EmiratesGBC branched out to offer a second training program for Certified Energy Manager (CEM) qualifications. The first CEM training course was offered in January in conjunction with the British University in Dubai (BUiD) and the Association of Energy Engineers. To date, EmiratesGBC has facilitated CEM training for over 100 professional candidates, and the Certified Energy Auditor (CEA) training course has now also been added to the training calendar. See the breakdown of training course offerings and their attendees in Table 2 below.

Year	Number of _	Type of Training		
	Sessions	LEED	CEM	
2007	2	62		
2008	2	193		
2011	5	76		
2012	5	58		
2013	8	38	40	
2014	3	8	32	
2015	10	50	32	

Table 2. Total number of attendees at EmiratesGBC hosted training programs.

Technical Workshops

EmiratesGBC began its technical workshop program in 2012, and has since hosted monthly workshops at its office headquarters in Dubai. Over 450 professionals have taken part in in the workshops within the first 4 years since initiating the platform to exchange information and share experience and knowledge. Discussions on various topics are facilitated by industry representatives from the EmiratesGBC membership and reflect contemporary trends in sustainability.



Photo 9. EmiratesGBC facilitated technical workshops

Workshops are open to EmiratesGBC members and partners only, and past workshops have covered a wide range of building industry topics from waste water treatment & reuse to passive environmental design, and have also provided technical overviews of new and current sustainable regulations in the UAE. The graph below offers a comparison between the number of workshops hosted between 2012-2015 and the number of attendees:

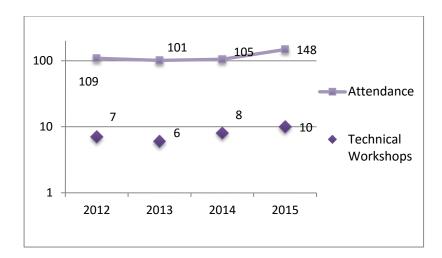


Figure 3. Attendance at monthly EmiratesGBC workshops

Conferences and Exhibitions

With growing awareness of sustainable development, several conferences and exhibitions have been hosted in the UAE and the MENA region that endorse the vision of UAE leaders for a sustainable built environment, diversification of the energy sector, and effective demand side management. Participating in and attending these conferences and exhibitions allows EmiratesGBC to present the Council's activities and events, highlight membership benefits and showcase the latest improvements made by the local authorities in terms of green regulations and awareness. They also allow EmiratesGBC to share its expertise from within to present on important topics related to sustainable development.

Since 2012, EmiratesGBC has participated in over 100 conferences and exhibitions. The following table lists the various events, including exhibitions and conferences where EmiratesGBC has participated.



Photo 10. EmiratesGBC Exhibition Stand at World Future Energy Summit

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Table 3. EmiratesGBC participation in regional conferences and exhibitions with level of participation highlighted.

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Cost effective sustainable design	Façade and design engineering	Energy Savers UAE	EWS-WWF Energy Workshop (WFES) (SA)	Construction Week's Infrastructure UAE	Building Future Learning Spaces
	Gulf Bid	2nd Annual Cost Design (KSA)	FM Expo	Green Energy (SA & JW)	GCC Ecotourism	VRF Conference
	Arabian Construction Week	Sustainability Symposium	Green Middle East	Future Housing Summit (JW)	Urban Agenda 2020	Retrofit Tech Conference
	Power Forum	Building Green ME	Oman Construction Week	MOPW Sustainability Forum (KB)	Greenovation	District Cooling Summit
	Enviro Cities	City Build	Sustainable Architecture & Design- Bgreen	Dubai Global Energy Forum	2nd Edition District Cooling Stakeholders Summit	Dubai Tomorrow Summit
	Bureau Veritas Energy Management Seminar	Gulf Wastewater Summit	Think Green Conference Jordan GBC	AD Quality Forum	BGreen Event	Sustainable Buildings Conference
Speaking Engagements	Affordable Housing	5th Cost Effective Sustainable Design	BGreen Sustainable Architecture and Design	Real Estate Sustainable Development Conference	UAE's Contractor's forum	World Green Economy Summit
		Qatar Stadium and Venue Design	Affordable Housing Summit Oman	Indoor Air Quality Conference	Sustainable Hospitality	Smart Skyscrapers
		Future Cities World Architecture Congress	World EcoConstruct	GCC Infra Facilities Management	ME Summit & Awards	Infrastructure ME
		WGBC International Congress	Gulf Wastewater Summit	Sustainable Cooling Infrastructure	Hotel Show	BACnet
		Greenbuild Toronto	RIBA		2nd Global Real Estate Leaders' Summit	Hotelier ME: Sustainable Design
		Smart Energy	Sustainable Arabia: Clean Energy		QA for Sustainable Construction Materials	Climate Control
		RIBA Gulf Chapter	Green Day: Summertown			Cityscape Global & Future Cities
		Greenbuild Congress	Sustainable Design Forum			Waste Management ME
		EWS-WWF Schools	Arab Renewable Energy Congress			Nearly Zero Conference

Sustainable Design	MEP and Energy
Qatar	Efficiency
Future Concrete	Leaders in Design
Conference	MENA

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Arabian Construction	World Future Energy	World Future Energy	World Future Energy	World Future Energy	World Future
	Week	Summit	Summit	Summit	Summit	Energy Summit
	Gulf Landscape	WETEX	ME Electricity	ME Electricity/ Solar ME	ME Electricity	FM Expo
	Power Gen Water Exhibition	Arabian Construction Week	WETEX	WETEX	WETEX	Infrastructure ME
Exhibitions	Light ME	Sustainable Facilities	World EcoConstruct	EcoConstruct	Cityscape Abu Dhabi	BACnet
	Big 5	Cityscape Global	Future CityScape	CityScape	FM Expo	The Big 5
		Green ME	Green ME	Big 5	Cityscape Global and Future Cities	
		Big 5	Big 5		The Big 5	
			FM Fyno		Arab Future Cities	
			FM Expo		Summit	
				•	CEBC Forum	

Conclusion

EmiratesGBC was created to primarily address the building and construction industry which is the largest in the country, and to ensure that new development that took place would be environmentally sustainable and would work under a framework of accountability. When EmiratesGBC was formed in 2006, the term 'green building' was practically unknown among building professionals in the UAE as well as the MENA region. By 2010, EmiratesGBC had become a mainstream term in the sustainable construction industry and government organizations were keen to participate in the Council's events.

In 2009, following the economic crisis, EmiratesGBC Board members revived the Council's mission by emphasizing EmiratesGBC's purpose as an education portal for all industry stakeholders, offering a balanced view that upholds global and regional principles of sustainability and conservation. As the previous sections highlight, Emirates Green Building Council has embarked on that path with success.

Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum galvanized the momentum in 2007 by mandating that all new construction in Dubai should measure up to green standards, and EmiratesGBC has helped established the infrastructure of knowledge and collaboration by promoting awareness and education through its events and workshop activates. Thus, EmiratesGBC's formation has proved to be auspicious in that regard.

With thousands of individuals reached through events, outreach campaigns, and technical workshops and programs, EmiratesGBC has and continues to serve its mission of providing a dedicated platform where industry leaders and stakeholders can collaborate on sustainable solutions.

Driven by current policy measures, EmiratesGBC's well-informed stakeholders have further gone on to promote sustainable practices across the country.

EmiratesGBC's continued efforts to make the UAE a trend setter for the region's sustainable goals and initiatives have been effectively achieved, largely due to the synergistic overlapping of its mission with the sustainability goals of the UAE government. Lastly, due to the hard work of its governing Board, members, and staff, EmiratesGBC is now identified as the leading Green Building Council in the MENA region.



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