

## Family Office Forum Dubai Post-Event Report

The annual meeting of UHNWI and Family Offices based in the MENA region 6 – 7 February 2018  
(next Dubai event: 5 – 6 February 2019)

The Family Office Forum Dubai hosted an incredible 115 UHNWI and Family Office investors from all across the globe (attendee composition below) along with many Royals, Business Leaders and VVIPs, such as His Excellency H.E. Mr. Zulfikar Ghadiyali, Chairman of the Private Office of H.H. Sheikh Tahnoon Bin Saeed Bin Tahnoon Al Nahyan, who gave a keynote speech on “Leading Change” and HRH Queen Zaynab-Otiti Obonor, sharing about Philanthropy amongst many others.

The positive feedback was overwhelming thanks to so many wonderful speakers and attendees. Delighted with the outcome, we host another Dubai Family Office Forum in February 2019.

In view of the international requests, we are now preparing all Family Office Forums in 2018/2019: [San Francisco](#) September 11-12th, [London](#) October 2-3rd, [Zurich](#) November 13-14th, [Dubai](#) February 19 and [Singapore](#) March 19, [Wiesbaden](#) April 19, [Paris](#) May 19.

### Programme and Speakers

The Forum [programme](#) was based on recommendations and several months of research. However, it is thanks to our 51 [speakers](#) that the Family Office Forum was such a success.

Our participants included royalty, many billionaires, UHNWI and VVIPs, widely recognized specialists, and many multi-generational Family Offices and Principals. It is because of this collective wealth of knowledge and experience that the events networking was of the highest calibre and most highly treasured amongst our guests.

### Partners (Sponsors)

This year, the Family Office Forum had the honour to be in partnership with The Sheikh Maktoum Foundation. The expertise of our expert [partners](#) made the Family Office Forum interesting and they have reported being elated with the quality of contacts made during their participation. The very key to their success were the highly relevant topics and expertise of our carefully chosen partners.

## Organisers' Summary

We would like to thank all the family officers, family members, experts and in particular the speakers who attended the Dubai Family Office Forum 2018 to exchange information, learn about new trends and options, hold discussions and last but not least, to network with genuine peers. The ambiance was fantastic and we are sincerely grateful for such a warm welcome at our Dubai event. We hope to see you again at the next Dubai Forum 5 – 6 February 2019!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Prestel and Partner Family Office Forums in 2018/2019 - Please get in touch and secure your participation!

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We very much look forward to welcoming you there,



[Katja Mülheim](#) and [Tobias Prestel](#)

## Testimonials

I would like to extend our sincere gratitude and heartfelt thanks for our participation in the event "Family Office Forum". We acknowledge and appreciate your unwavering support ...of Dubai in working towards improving business practice among family offices which play a pivotal role in the local and regional economy. The **feedback from the Forum has been extremely positive** and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the opportunity to share our expertise with the attendees. **All responses have been enthusiastic about the content and the overall quality of the conference**, which is undoubtedly tied to Prestel & Partner's wealth of knowledge. Thank you for sharing your professional expertise and hosting such a successful event.

*Tarek Hajjiri, DIFC*

I just wanted to say **congratulations to you and the team on the Dubai event**, it was well planned and run. Convinced my Board to move our Board Meeting to Dubai on the strength of my positive experiences at your Zurich and London Forums, which I hope **illustrates how highly we regard them**.

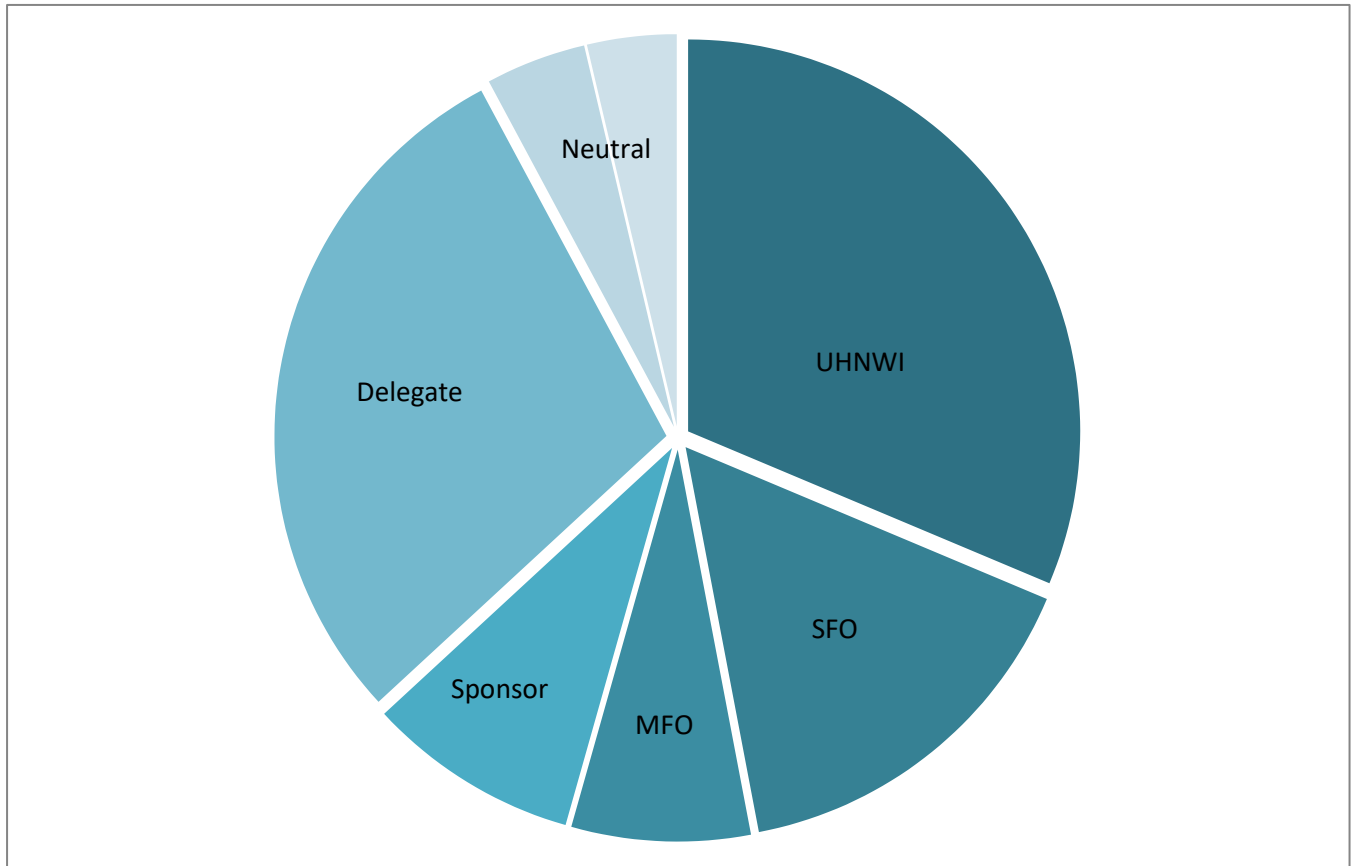
*Rakesh Chand, Kaura Foundation*

## Attendee Composition

The composition of participants was exceptional thanks to personal vetting, insider recommendations and a firm separation between buy side and sell side:

**The number of UHNWI and Family Offices was much higher than the number of Solution Providers.** We had an excellent level of participants, who enjoyed the lively discussions and networking opportunities.

**215 attendees in total:** Tuesday 190, Wednesday 116, average median was 153 attendees at any given time.



68 UHNWI

34 SFO

16 MFO

19 Sponsors

63 Delegates

9 Academics

8 Neutral