Managing ADIA's Talent

ADIA's people are as diverse and international as our business, with more than 65 nationalities working together to create a collaborative environment that embodies our cultural values.

We strive to attract, develop and retain world-class talent, and to enable our people to realise their full potential. We achieve this by committing to employees' development, training and career progression.

ADIA seeks to create a fully rounded work environment where committed people can build rewarding careers while contributing to ADIA's continued long-term success. We place a particular emphasis on the development and training of UAE Nationals, many of whom currently hold prominent roles within ADIA and the UAE, or will do so in the future.

CULTURE

At ADIA, we define culture as a combination of behaviours and values that enable us to fulfil our mission in an optimal and sustainable way. We are proud that ADIA's cultural values — prudent innovation, effective collaboration and disciplined execution — are becoming a way of life and delivering tangible benefits for our people and for ADIA as a whole.

Our cultural values are not merely words; they are embedded in the ways in which we think and behave, how we organise ourselves, recruit new talent, and develop and reward employees.

We are committed to promoting collaboration within and between departments. People are encouraged to share their perspectives and insights informally, and through targeted initiatives.

These include regular forums, which bring together our senior investment managers for debates on investment-related themes and to identify investment opportunities that might otherwise go unnoticed.

We conduct a regular survey of employees that measures progress on these fronts and identifies areas for improvement.

RECRUITMENT

We believe that ADIA's broad spectrum of nationalities is one of our core strengths, ensuring a breadth of knowledge, expertise and perspectives is represented in our decision—making processes.

We are a world-class employer, and our priorities are to attract and retain the best international and local talent. We achieve this by seeking highperforming individuals in specialised fields, while also identifying top UAE National recruits with the skills and attributes that will underpin ADIA's continued long-term success.

Our structured recruitment process is designed to assess candidates' experience, technical skills and behaviours while providing them with a thorough and comprehensive understanding of ADIA's culture, work environment, and life in Abu Dhabi.

Our targeted approach to recruitment, coupled with career development opportunities, contributes to high employee engagement and low annual turnover of less than 5% on average.



DEVELOPING OUR PEOPLE

In an investment landscape that is constantly evolving and increasing in complexity, it is essential that our people continually maintain and update the skills they need to perform at the highest level.

Our approach to talent and performance management ensures that employees clearly understand the goals and behaviours that constitute success and how their individual objectives align with ADIA's high-level goals and culture. Our annual review process encourages managers to take time to discuss and

review the performance of every employee, while identifying ways to develop their strengths and ensure that ADIA continues to grow its leadership and technical capabilities for the future.

ADIA actively supports its employees in their professional and personal development by offering a wide range of targeted development programmes. The combination of classroom training and on-the-job development contributes substantially to employee growth and success. ADIA is proud to employ the highest number of CFA Charter holders of any organisation in the Middle East. Our emphasis on investment training is complemented

by other challenging and rewarding developmental opportunities, with a strong focus on fostering collaboration and innovation.

In addition, we host regular internal events with speakers from within ADIA as well as corporate leaders and other subject matter experts from respected national and international organisations, aimed at stimulating innovative thinking and ensuring employees stay current on the latest industry trends.

ADIA's leaders reflect our values and act as examples for others. To assist them in fulfilling this role, we offer management, leadership and executive development programmes, which combine the best of our in-house knowledge and experience with contemporary thinking and practices from around the world.

We have relationships with a number of leading academic institutions and learning organisations, whose courses are customised to meet ADIA's needs, in many important areas of talent development.







OUR UAE NATIONAL TALENT

As one of the UAE's most established and enduring institutions, ADIA is firmly committed to developing local talent. We do this through a range of programmes that aim to identify and nurture outstanding UAE National students to prepare them for future careers with ADIA.

Our Early Preparation Programme works closely with local schools to identify, develop and track young UAE Nationals with strong academic performance and early leadership skills. Short-listed candidates undergo a rigorous selection process, involving interviews as well as language,

psychometric and competency skills testing in applying for ADIA's Scholarship Programme, through which selected candidates are supported to attend leading universities around the world. The goal of these initiatives is to nurture talent through exposure to best educational practices.

Once hired by one of ADIA's departments, UAE National new joiners are placed in a three-month ADIA Fundamentals Programme.

This provides them with an immersive introduction to ADIA and an

opportunity to develop the key professional skills needed to succeed. Upon completion, graduates join their designated department where they continue their development, both in professional and technical skills through a department-specific Early Career Development Programme (ECD). Using this multi-stage approach, ADIA enables UAE National graduates to make a smooth transition into the work environment and provides a strong platform on which to build long-term careers.

