



Annual General Meeting

2023



Agnès LOPEZ CRUZ

Managing Director

CCI FRANCE UAE



Thanks to our partners







### **AGENDA**



#### 11.05-11.15am

- Review of CCI France UAE's first year
- Strategic plan 2025
- Board of Director



11.15-11.20am

• Financial statements



11.20-11.35am

Our Services



11.35-11.50am

- New projects 2023
- Upcoming highlights



11.50-12pm

• Q&A





Geoffroy BUNETEL
President
CCI FRANCE UAE



### **REVIEW 2022**



STRENGTHEN the Abu Dhabi business community



Operational CONVERGENCE between teams



BALANCED finances



LAUNCH
of the High-Level France
– UAE Business Council
(Haut Conseil d'Affaires
Franco-Emirien)



### PANORAMA OF THE CCI FRANCE UAE

500+

French, Francophone and Francophile companies, SMEs and multinationals.

50%

of members are start-ups and SMEs, 20% are mid-caps and 30% are MNCs.



### GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS AND OUR ECOSYSTEM BETTER

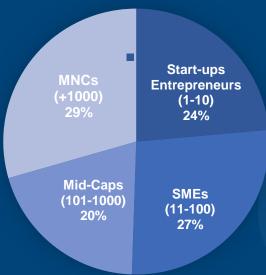
#### **STUDIES IN PROGRESS**

- Typology of our members
- Interactions with the CCI France UAE
- French companies and EFE in the Emirates

#### **COMING SOON**

- Onboarding webinars for new members
- Video clips explaining our services
- Information desks for our face-to-face events
- Questionnaires / focus groups with our members

Breakdown of our members by company size





### STRATEGIC PLAN 2025

BUILDING AND ACTIVELY ENGAGING THE FRENCH BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

OFFER HIGH VALUE-ADDED, INNOVATIVE AND SEGMENTED SERVICES.



BE A PRIVILEGED PARTNER IN THE FRANCE EXPORT TEAM FOR FRENCH COMPANIES IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

BE A HUB FOR YOUR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION.

BECOME A PREFERRED PARTNER FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND LOCAL BUSINESSES.



### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



President **Geoffroy BUNETEL**Chalhoub Group



Vice-President
Nathalie AMIELFERRAULT
AJEX Logistics
Services



Vice-President

Magalie LEMAIRE

TotalEnergies



General Secretary

Stephanie MARCO

EDF



Deputy General
Secretary
Joseph
MOUSSALLEM
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Valerie HAWLEY Sorbonne Centre for Artificial Intelligence



Jean-Marc LOURAU Bloombox



Frederic MARCHAND Trouvay & Cauvin



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Jean-Paul SCHUEUR Sanofi



Tarek SOLIMANE
Thales Group





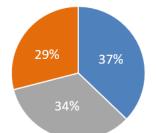
Joëlle CHILCOTT
CFO
CCI FRANCE UAE



### **INCOME STATEMENT 2022**

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INCOME	6,950
DIRECT COSTS	(2,381)
GROSS MARGIN	4,569
STAFF COSTS	(3,743)
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	(662)
<b>DEPRECIATION</b> (net of grant amortization)	(37)
BAD DEBT	(22)
SURPLUS FROM OPERATIONS	105
FINANCIAL INCOME	14
NET SURPLUS	119

• **Income balanced** between the 3 lines of activity with an increased contribution from events (post pandemic) vs previous year<sub>(1)</sub>



- VIEs hosting services, business prospecting and sectorial comittees & forum
- Memberships
- Events & communication services
- **22% growth** in the number of member companies & individuals from 2021 (2) to 2022
- Operating expenses managed through the union with economies
   of scale such as merging support functions, accounting and IT
   tools.
- Profitable first year for the union: gross margin covers 102% of the operating expenses, generating a 119Kaed surplus.



### BALANCE SHEET AS OF 31.12.2022

ACCRUALS & OTHER LIABILITIES	2,393	
GRANTS	32	
EOS PROVISION	889	
EQUITY	2,390	
TOTAL ASSETS	5,704	
CASH & EQUIVALENTS	3,069	
RECEIVABLES	1,808 792	
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
INTANGIBLES	4	
PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT	31	
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- Healthy balance sheet.
- AED 1.8MM treasury safely invested in bond.
- **AED 3MM cash balance** enhanced by the 2023 membership payments received in Q4 2022.

- Financial independance and strength:
  - ✓ AED 2.4MM equity
  - ✓ No bank debt
- 56% of the AED 2.4MM other liabilities is deferred 2023 membership revenues.
- => Surplus of 119Kaed allocated to equity.





Siham TEFTAL

Associée Cabinet Mazars Chartered Accountants Audit & Assurance



### PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

The ordinary general meeting of the members of the CCI France UAE, after having read and heard the presentation of the financial statements, approved the 2022 accounts.

The ordinary general meeting of members of the CCI France UAE decided to renew the mandate of Mazars Chartered Accountants for the audit of the 2023 accounts.



### **VOTE OF ACCOUNTS**

- An online vote was organised by an independent external platform (electionbuddy.com) from 29 May 2023 at 5pm until 23 June 2023 at 9am.
- The auditors' report and a presentation of the 2022 accounts were available online for free consultation.
- The number of members who had renewed and paid their membership fees by 26 May 2023 was 456, representing a total of 670 voters. In accordance with our Articles of Association, the quorum required was 33.33%, or 224 votes.
- At the end of the vote, the number of votes received was 239, i.e. a quorum was reached. 224 votes were cast in favour of the resolutions, 0 against and 15 abstained.





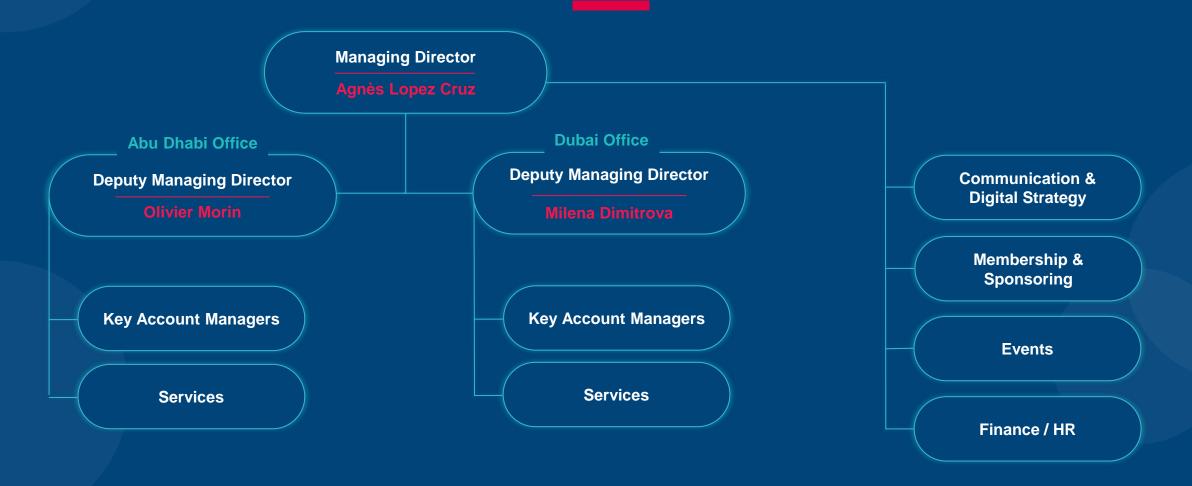
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### **ORGANISATION**





### PERMANENTE TEAM



Ruby <u>ABEL</u>ARDO



Abubaker ASSID



Orsolya BIZOUARN



Joëlle CHILCOTT



Rym DEKAR



Martine De LANG



Milena DIMITROVA



Sophie DUFOUR



Coralie FLICK



Erika GHOBASHI



Agnès LOPEZ CRUZ



Maud MARTINOT-LAGARDE



Olivier MORIN



Claire-Anne RUSSELLE



Nayla SAMAHA KHALIFE



Rowema SANTOS



Mounia SIFAOUI



Diane TUREK



Fabienne WOOLDRIDGE



### PRESENTATION OF CCI FRANCE UAE SERVICES















#### **SETTING UP**

- Link up
- Business Centers
- Hosting VIEs
- Recruitment

### MAKE YOURSELF KNOWN

- Communication channels
- Signature events / outsourcing
- Content production

#### **EXPANDING**

- Networking
- Mentoring
- Sectorial Committees
- Functional Committees
- Qualified appointments
- Commercial follow-up
- Company delegations

### MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

- Strengthening our links with local and regional authorities,
- Advocacy.





Olivier MORIN

Deputy Director – Abu Dhabi Office

CCI FRANCE UAE





### **BUSINESS CENTER AND HOSTING OF VIE**





One of the most efficient infrastructure networks in the world.

### Dubai and Abu Dhabi



A gateway to Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Europe.



A simple legislative framework, a favourable tax system and a secure environment.



A wide range of services and facilities.



Close to the airport, easily accessible by public transport.









### RECRUITMENT

- The platform puts talents who can work on a flexible project basis, part-time or freelance, in touch with CCI France UAE's member companies.
- Our recruitment department is dedicated to finding French and French-speaking talent
- New: Flexipool is a free service created by the CCI France UAE.





Mounia SIFAOUI Recruitment & Project Specialist CCI France UAE





Milena DIMITROVA

Deputy Director – Dubai Office

CCI FRANCE UAE





### ANIMATING THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY





#### **NETWORKING**

- French Tuesdays (Dubai)
- French Wednesdays (Abu Dhabi)
- Meet the CEO

#### **CLUBS**

- Women Empowerment Committee (WE committee)
- CEO (L.E. Club)
- Entrepreneurs (Synergy Club)

#### **SIGNATURE**

- Annual Gala Dinner
- Working Together Forum

#### **FUNCTIONNAL COMMITTEES**

- CFO
- DRH
- MarCom

#### **SECTORIAL EVENTS**

- UAE-France Business Days,
- UAE-France Energy Days,
- Business Engagement
   Summit with RTA

#### **SECTORIAL COMMITTEES**

- Construction
- Energies
- FMCG
- Hospitality & Leisure
- Logistic & Supply Chain
- Luxury
- Retail
- Healthcare









### SECTORIAL COMMITTEES FOCUS



for each committee, made up of account managers.

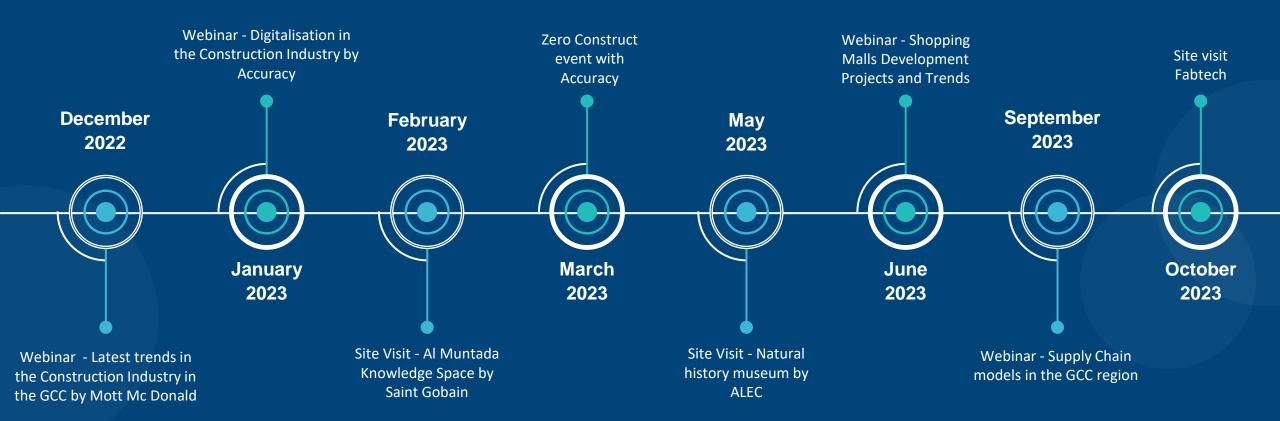


PROGRAMMATION for each committee drawn up at the beginning of the year.



### FOCUS CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

An annual programme for each committee drawn up at the beginning of the year.







Claire-Anne RUSSELLE

Digital & Communication Director

CCI FRANCE UAE





### **COMMUNICATION PLATFORMS**







10,000+

**Qualified contacts** 

26%

Average Opening Rate on Emailing.



6,000+

Average monthly volume of website users.



An online app and directory to build and develop your network.



Followers on LinkedIn.

17%

Average Engagement Rate





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Managing Director

CCI FRANCE UAE



### **NEW SERVICE: TRAINING OFFER**



## GROUP TRAINING OPEN

Short interactive sessions (1-2 days) delivered by trainers or organisations selected by CCI France UAE.



# GROUP TRAINING TAILOR-MADE

Short interactive sessions (1-2 days) delivered by trainers or organisations selected by the CCI France UAE at your company.



INDIVIDUAL TRAINING



### **ESG INITIATIVES**





### ESG TASK FORCE – THE TEAM



Florence Bulté Chief Sustainability Officer Chalhoub Group



Daxita Rajcoomar Chief Sustainability Officer ENGIE



Pierre Piniau General Manager Techtronic Industries



Alex Misseri Founder A step back



Jonathan Sheard Senior Vice President Operations ACCOR



Agnès Lopez Cruz Managing Director CCI France UAE



Fabienne Wooldridge Key Account Manager ESG CCI France UAE



### THE ESG GUIDE

#### Shifting from CSR to Sustainability

#### CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility)

CSR is the ideal - code of ethics and core valuespursued by companies to give context about sustainability agendas and corporate responsibility culture to operate in ways that enhance society and

Designed to engage Company's officers and employees to build a positive corporate culture, values and reputation covering the overarching social, environmental, and economic concerns in a company's policies, practices, and decision-making.



- · Concept based on the "triple-bottom-line'- "People, Planet and Profits", arguing that business should focus on each of the three P's and not just on the profits.
- CSR was the precursor to ESG. But while CSR already thinks about accountability, ESG methodology also makes its efforts measurable.

#### Sustainability

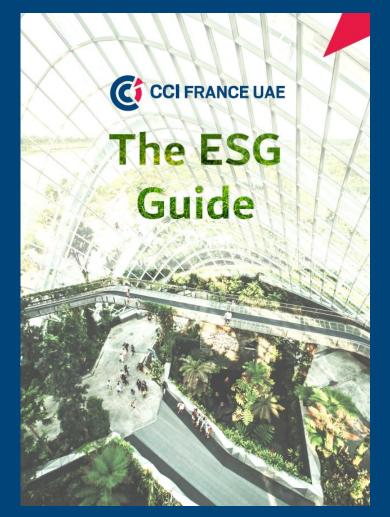
UN Definition: "Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs".

UN Global Compact Guide Definition: "Corporate sustainability is a company's delivery of longterm value in financial, environmental, social and ethical terms".

· It is a company's value system and principled approached to doing business, with the aim to achieve sustainable development, while operating responsibly, practicing responsible business,

from an Environmental, Social and Economic perspective.

· Effectively establishing a culture of integrity, focusing on accountability and qualitative approach more than on the quantitative and metrics measurement aspect.







### **UPCOMING ACTIONS**



EDUCATE
Launch of an ESG committee
for Q4 2023.



Develop our range of workshops with local partners and members (e.g. The Climate Fresk).

**TRAIN** 



**DEPLOY**Continue to apply this ESG approach via our sector and functional committees.



ACT
Propose joint actions to our members.



Fabienne WOOLDRIDGE Senior Key Account Manager Head of ESG Programs CCI FRANCE UAE



### SIGNATURE OF THE PLEDGE



**UAE-France Energy Days** 

**Location:** Dubai & Abu Dhabi

**Date: 13-14** September 2023

Supporting commercial collaboration in the energy sector between manufacturers in the United Arab Emirates and France.

- Organised in collaboration with Business France
- Highlighting the cutting-edge technologies and strong innovation capabilities of the French energy industry





Key Account Manager CCI France UAE





**Working Together Forum 2023** 

Location: Pullman, Dubai Downtown

Date: 28 September 2023

Networking events for multinationals, medium-sized and small businesses.

- Series of qualified meetings lasting 15 minutes each between multinationals and small and medium-sized enterprises.
- Each year, almost 300 meetings have taken place.





Rym DEKAR
Membership & Sponsoring Manager
CCI France UAE



**Career Fair** 

**Location:** Sharjah

Date: 11 october 2023

Raise the profile of our members among local students, who come to strengthen their teams and bring the world of business and academia closer together.

- Organised in collaboration with HCT (the Higher Colleges of Technology).
- Fair with stands for exhibiting companies, matching session with preselected students, possible company pitches, workshops to present their sector of activity and or pitch on careers.





Nayla SAMAHA KHALIFE Head of Women Empowerment Committee/Project Manager CCI France UAE



### JOINT EVENTS WITH CCIFI IN INDIA

**Conference Pays: India** 

**Location: Dubai** 

Date: 18 october 2023

**Forum Luxury : Is India the China of tomorrow?** 

**Location: Dubai** 

**Date:** 19 october 2023

Beauty

✓ Absolute Luxury

✓ Retail & E-commerce





Milena Dimitrova
Deputy Managing Director - Dubai Office
CCI France UAE



**Business Engagement Summit 2023** 

**Location:** Dubai

Date: October 2023

• Forum on Urban Mobility, organised in partnership with the RTA.

- In previous years, over 200 participants attended the event.
- Audience made up of directors of French companies and start-ups operating in the mobility sector, the RTA and other public authorities based in Dubai.



Maud MARTINOT-LAGARDE Senior Key Account Manager Head of FMCG, Transport & Supply Chain Committees CCI France UAE





**Business Delegation in Saudi Arabia Date:** 6-9 November 2023

An approach to the Saudi market for our French companies based in the United Arab Emirates.

- Understand the economic environment, local business practices, opportunities and promising sectors.
- Group meetings with entrepreneurs, site visits, B2B meetings.





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CCI France UAE



### COP28 UAE

### From 30 November to 12 December 2023 - Site Dubai Expo 2020

- Estimated 80,000 participants COP28 will be divided into two zones: the Blue Zone and the Green Zone
- The COP 28 team: around 200 people, organised by department
- Provisional programme has been communicated (may be subject to adjustments in the coming weeks).

Date	Theme/Focus	Date	Theme/Focus	Cross Cutting
Nov 30	Opening	Dec 7	Day of Rest	Technology and Innovation
Dec 1	World Climate Action Summit	Dec 8	Youth, Education, and Skills	Inclusion
Dec 2	World Climate Action Summit	Dec 9	Finance / Gender Equality	Frontline Communities
Dec 3	Health / Relief, Recovery, and Peace	Dec 10	Cities, Regions, and Urbanization / Transport	Finance
Dec 4	Nature, Land Use, and Oceans	Dec	(20 T000 <b>F</b> 0000	
Dec 5	Food and Water Systems	11	No Thematic Day	
Dec 6	Just Energy Transition / Industry / Trade	Dec 12	No Thematic Day	



### **CAPITALISING ON COP28**



Partnerships with entities that will have initiatives and companies that will have a pavilion on the green zone.



Side events COP28, and French Tuesday in December 2023.



Outsourcing events for our members.

The CCI France UAE is part of a COP28 working group that brings together all the members of Team France Export in the Emirates to coordinate our actions as effectively as possible.



# Q&A





Assemblée Générale Annuelle

2023

