



08.30 – 09.10

Registration & Networking.

09.10 – 09.15

Opening: “Welcome to Abu Dhabi”

9.15 – 9.30

Interactive Fireside 1

A 100+ year old Family Business: Leadership, Vision, and Family Office Governance: What are the unique dynamics of sustaining a family business across generations? How do you maintain a 100-year legacy? It requires not only strong leadership and a clear vision but also effective governance within the family office.

- Hussain Dawood, Chairman, Dawood Group

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

9.30 – 9.55

Interactive Panel 2

Family Office 2.0: As family offices transition from traditional models to what we call 'Family Office 2.0,' how are evolving strategies of family offices amidst a changing investment landscape? What is the growing importance of alternative assets, personalized investment approaches, and the institutionalization of family wealth management? Family Offices are trending, why now?

- Bill Saad, Chairman, Jota2 Group
- Eric Sarasin, Chairman, Sarasin Family Office
- Vikrant Bhargava, Chairman, Veddis Family Office

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

09.55 – 10.30

Interactive Panel 3

Family Holdings adapting to Trends, Challenges to Sustain and Grow Wealth:

How Can Families Adapt to Emerging Trends, Economic Shifts, Technology Trends, Regulatory Changes, Tax and Societal Shifts to Sustain and Grow Wealth?

- Ismael Hajjar, Partner, PWC
- Ali Raza, Chief Investment Officer, Saudi Holding Company
- Vikash Gupta, Chief Investment Officer, Ahluwalia Family Office
- Muhammad Humair, Chief Operating Officer, YB Holding

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

10.30 – 11.00

Networking Coffee Break

11.00 – 11.35

Interactive Panel 4

Why Private Credit & Private Equity still flourishes:

Post Trump election and the change of interest rates, inflationary pressures, and growing economic uncertainty, how are private credit and private equity markets evolving on a global scale? What sectors or regions are presenting the most attractive opportunities, and how are family offices adjusting their strategies to manage risk while seeking returns in this volatile environment? What about M&A?

- Robert Yao, Managing Director, Immensus Capital
- Beth Bell, Director, GSB Capital
- Jorge Felipe, Chief Executive Officer, Al Mulla Capital
- Antoine Boutte, Chief Executive Officer, Sayacorp Capital

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

11.35 – 12.10

Interactive Panel 5

Next Generation Family Office, the visions we all need to hear:

With more next-generation leaders stepping into roles within family offices, how are their approaches to wealth management, investments, and philanthropy different from previous generations? What unique challenges and opportunities do they face in reshaping the future of family offices in a rapidly changing global environment?

- Paul Poupon, Chairman, 1707 Capital
- Nimesh Sodha, Chief Investment Officer, Panaso Capital
- Dillon Lawson-Johnston, Managing Partner, Guggenheim Brothers Media
- Julian Fialkow, Managing Partner, 186 Ventures

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

12.10 – 12.30

Interactive Panel 6

Family Office Investment in Food Security: How Automation, Digitization and AI can help seize opportunities for a Sustainable Future. What role family offices can play in addressing global food security challenges by investing in sustainable solutions? As population growth and climate change put increasing pressure on food systems, automation, digitization, and artificial intelligence are transforming agriculture and food production.

- Suresh Vaidhyathan, Chief Executive Officer, Ghassan Aboud Group & Abu Dhabi FoodHub
- Christopher Slim, Chief Executive Officer, Nicoya Family Office

Moderator: Nick Ayton, Summit Chair, Family Office Summit

12.30 – 13.05

Interactive Panel 7

Venture Capital & Disruption, where should we be looking for 2025:

As family offices increasingly move into venture capital, how are they differentiating their investment strategies from traditional VC firms? What unique advantages do family offices bring to the table, and how are they balancing the long-term perspective of wealth preservation with the high-risk, high-reward nature of venture investing? How can they collaborate with other VC funds?

- Walid Hizaoui, Chief Strategy Officer, Gargash Group
- Avi Feldman, Managing Partner, Mobilion Ventures
- Nirav Shah, Chief Investment Officer, NP Group
- Philipp Pabst, Senior Associate, Dubai Future District Fund

Moderator: Nick Ayton, Summit Chair, Family Office Summit

13.05 – 13:40

Lunch Break

13.40 – 14.15

Interactive Panel 8

Where Do Family Offices Find Real Estate Returns As family offices look to preserve and grow multi-generational wealth, real estate remains a key component of their investment strategies. But in today's fast-changing economic environment, where can they find the most attractive returns?

- James Ordonez, Managing Director, Tayrona Capital
- Danny Aguirre, Chairman, BlueWater Developments
- Harry Martin, Head International Residential, JLL

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

14.15 – 14.30

Interactive Fireside 9

Family Offices Entering Crypto: We have all seen it in recent weeks, Bitcoin increases in value once again. With the growing appeal of digital assets for family offices lies in their potential to diversify traditional portfolios and tap into a rapidly evolving asset class. Crypto offers both opportunities and challenges, with some viewing it as a hedge against inflation while others see it as a high-risk speculative play. Despite its promise, concerns about volatility, security, and regulatory uncertainty remain at the forefront of discussions.

- Bill Qian, Chief Investment Officer, Phoenix Group & Chairman, Cypher Capital

Moderator: Nick Ayton, Summit Chair, Family Office Summit

14.30 - 14.55

Interactive Panel 10

Follow the money, follow Commodities

With recent geopolitical shifts, supply chain disruptions, and the push for sustainability, how do you see the global commodity landscape evolving over the next few years? What key factors should investors and policymakers monitor closely, and how will these trends shape future pricing, demand, and market stability?"

- Sunil Dhall, Chief Investment Officer, Private Family Office
- Abhineet Singh, Chief Investment Officer, Al Siraj Holding
- Christopher Langner, Head Of Investments, EM Ventures

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14.55 - 15.30

Interactive Panel 11

Hedge Funds, Fixed Income, Listed Equities, Bonds + Volatility = Money.

In light of recent market volatility, changing interest rates, and evolving geopolitical tensions, how do you see hedge funds adapting their strategies in the current public market landscape? What sectors or investment themes do you anticipate will gain traction, and how can hedge funds leverage their unique capabilities to navigate these challenges?

- Gaurav Arora, Managing Director, Atlas Fund Management
- Hersi Shima, Global Fixed Income, Blackrock
- Marcus Chin, Chief Investment Officer, Ares Holding
- Kavita Palicha, Investment Director, Lazarus Family Office

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15.30 - 16:00

Interactive Panel 12

HealthCare, how long do we have left on this planet?

As family offices increasingly recognize healthcare as a vital investment sector, what specific areas within healthcare—such as biotech, Life Science, Longevity or wellness—are attracting the most interest? How can family offices leverage their unique advantages to make impactful investments while balancing risk and long-term sustainability in this rapidly evolving industry?

- Ahehd Mousa, Director, Tamer Group
- Christian Rohlf, Chief Executive Officer, Oxford Therapeutics
- Tara Namdar, Head Of Investments, Von Siemens Family Office

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16:00 - 16:15

Interactive Fireside 13

From Offline Networking to Online Networking: Leveraging LinkedIn for Knowledge Sharing, Relationship Building, Talent Acquisition, and Deal-Making in the Family Office Community

- Mahdi Rimawi, Director Of Academia, LinkedIn

Moderator: Obediah Ayton, Chairman, Family Office Summit

16:15 – 18:45

Cocktail Evening Park Hyatt Terrace