

**Administrative Resolution No. (17) of 2026**  
**Forming the**  
**Emirati Supplier Support Committee<sup>1</sup>**

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**The Director General of the Department of Economy and Tourism in the Emirate of Dubai,**

After perusal of:

Law No. (5) of 1995 Establishing the Department of Finance;

Law No. (20) of 2021 Establishing the Department of Economy and Tourism in the Emirate of Dubai; and

Law No. (23) of 2009 Concerning the Mohammed bin Rashid Establishment for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Development and its amendments,

**Does hereby issue this Resolution.**

**Definitions**  
**Article (1)**

The following words and expressions, wherever mentioned in this Resolution, have the meanings respectively indicated opposite each of them unless the context implies otherwise:

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| DET:              | The Department of Economy and Tourism in the Emirate of Dubai.                            |
| Dubai SME:        | The Mohammed bin Rashid Establishment for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Development. |
| Director General: | The Director General of the DET.  |
| Emirati Supplier: | A private company or establishment registered with the Dubai SME.                         |
| ESSC:             | The Emirati Supplier Support Committee formed pursuant to this Resolution.                |
| Chairman:         | The chairman of the ESSC.   |

Procurement: The purchase or other acquisition by Government Entities of the goods and services required to meet their needs.

### **Formation of the ESSC Article (2)**

- a. Pursuant to this Resolution, a permanent advisory committee named the "Emirati Supplier Support Committee" is formed at the DET under the chairmanship of the Chief Executive Officer of the Dubai SME and with the membership of representatives from the following entities:
1. the DET;
  2. the Dubai Municipality;
  3. the Roads and Transport Authority;
  4. the Dubai Customs;
  5. the Dubai Airports Corporation;
  6. the Dubai Electricity and Water Authority PJSC;
  7. the Dubai Health Authority; and
  8. the Dubai Police.
- b. The representatives of the entities referred to in paragraph (a) of this Article will be nominated by the officials in charge of these entities. A representative must be experienced and specialised in the field of work of the ESSC, and must hold a grade not lower than the "Executive Director/ Chief Executive Officer" grade, or an equivalent grade.

### **Functions of the ESSC Article (3)**

The ESSC will have the following functions:

1. develop programmes designed to increase the share of Emirati Suppliers in the total Procurement of Government Entities, in line with the objectives of the Dubai Economic Agenda (D33);
2. propose policies and procedural guidelines to ensure that Emirati Suppliers are given priority in Procurement by Government Entities;

3. propose clear and streamlined mechanisms to facilitate Emirati Suppliers' access to tenders issued, and major projects launched, by Government Entities, including by simplifying final banking requirements and expediting payments due to Emirati Suppliers;
4. propose initiatives and incentives aimed at increasing the number of Emirati Suppliers registered on the "Tasharok" platform of the Department of Finance, thereby supporting the local economy and enhancing the competitiveness of Emirati Suppliers;
5. propose policies to encourage contractors, suppliers, and principal service providers to engage Emirati Suppliers as subcontractors in connection with Procurement activities and contracts concluded by Government Entities;
6. examine and analyse the challenges affecting the award of tenders to Emirati Suppliers, and submit appropriate solutions and recommendations to address such challenges to the Director General for presentation to the competent entities in the Emirate to issue the relevant directives;
7. propose performance indicators to measure the extent of cooperation by Government Entities in granting Emirati Suppliers preferential access to Procurement activities and contracts concluded by Government Entities;
8. provide support and appropriate suggestions to Emirati Suppliers on pricing and the preparation of competitive bids, to ensure that products and services of Emirati Suppliers meet the highest required standards and technical specifications;
9. propose a system for the classification of distinguished Emirati Suppliers in accordance with quality and compliance criteria, to facilitate their selection by Government Entities; and submit this proposal to the Director General for consideration and presentation to the competent entities in the Emirate to issue the relevant directives;
10. propose integrated coordination mechanisms among Government Entities to ensure the alignment of their roles in supporting Emirati Suppliers' participation in the tenders issued by the concerned entities;
11. identify and monitor the sectors in which the Emirati Suppliers' participation in Procurement by Government Entities is low, and propose appropriate incentives to increase their participation in, and attract national investment to, those sectors;
12. seek assistance, in performing its functions, from employees of Government Entities in the Emirate, as the ESSC deems appropriate; and
13. perform any other duties assigned to it by the Director General.

## **ESSC Meetings**

### **Article (4)**

- a. The ESSC will be convened at the invitation of the Chairman, or the vice chairman where the Chairman is absent, at least once every three (3) months, or where necessary, at the time and place determined by the Chairman or the vice chairman.
- b. At its first meeting, the ESSC will elect a vice chairman, who will serve as the Chairman where the Chairman is absent or becomes incapable of performing his duties.
- c. The ESSC meetings will be valid if attended by the majority of its Members, provided that the Chairman or vice chairman is in attendance.
- d. Recommendations of the ESSC will be passed unanimously or by majority vote of its attending members; and in the event of a tie, the chair of the meeting will have a casting vote.
- e. Recommendations of the ESSC will be recorded in minutes of meetings signed by the chair of the meeting and attending members.
- f. The ESSC may invite experts and specialists, as it deems appropriate, to attend its meetings to assist it in exercising its functions under this Resolution. These experts and specialists may not have a vote in the deliberations of the ESSC.

## **Rapporteur of the ESSC**

### **Article (5)**

- a. A rapporteur will be appointed to the ESSC by the Chairman from among the DET employees.
- b. The rapporteur of the ESSC will have the duties to:
  1. prepare the ESSC meeting agendas in accordance with the rules approved by the Chairman in this respect, and notify the ESSC members of the same within sufficient time prior to meetings;
  2. send invitations to the ESSC members to attend its meetings;
  3. prepare the minutes of the ESSC meetings;
  4. verify the presence of the quorum required for the validity of ESSC meetings;
  5. follow up on the implementation of the ESSC's recommendations, and report to the Chairman on the outcomes of their implementation;
  6. provide all administrative support required to enable the ESSC to perform its duties under this Resolution; and
  7. perform any other duties assigned to him by the Chairman.

**Providing Administrative Support  
Article (6)**

The DET will provide the ESSC with administrative and technical support to enable it to perform its functions under this Resolution.

**Periodic Reports  
Article (7)**

The Chairman must submit to the Director General, every six months, reports on the outcomes of the ESSC's work, including the achievements of the ESSC, the difficulties and obstacles it has encountered, and the recommended solutions and proposals, to enable the Director General to issue the relevant directives as he deems appropriate.

**Publication and Commencement  
Article (8)**

This Resolution will be published in the Official Gazette and will come into force on the day on which it is published.

**Helal Saeed Al Marri**

**Director General**

**Department of Economy and Tourism in the Emirate of Dubai**

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