

HSBC Bank Middle East Limited - Announcement

HSBC Bank Middle East Limited ('HBME'), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of HSBC Holdings plc, which is currently incorporated and has its head office in Jersey, confirms that it intends to transfer its place of incorporation and head office to the Dubai International Financial Centre. This is subject to regulatory and all other applicable approvals.

Following the re-location, HBME will be lead-regulated by the Dubai Financial Services Authority. This re-location, which is expected to complete during 2016, will have no impact on any of HBME's local regulatory relationships in the MENA region, nor on its business in the countries in which it operates. Further announcements will be made if and when necessary.

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