



PRESS RELEASE

Efor Opens Regional Headquarters in Dubai to Accelerate Healthcare Transformation in the UAE

Dubai, January 2026 – Efor, the international consultancy renowned for its compliance expertise in the life-sciences sector, has established its new regional headquarters in Dubai, demonstrating its firm commitment to supporting the United Arab Emirates (UAE) in its quest to become a leading global healthcare hub. This strategic expansion not only strengthens Efor's regional presence but also reinforces its role as a trusted partner in advancing the UAE's Vision 2031 and driving innovation across the nation's healthcare landscape.

A Global Partner Driving a National Vision

With more than 3,200 employees across 18 countries, Efor supports the world's leading pharmaceutical, biotech and medical device companies in bringing safe, compliant healthcare products to market and ensuring their continued compliance and availability.

"By applying our extensive expertise and knowledge of global regulatory frameworks, ranging from EU guidelines to FDA requirements, our Dubai base allows us to meaningfully advance the UAE's Vision 2031," says Maria Assaad, Regional Business Development Director for the Middle East.

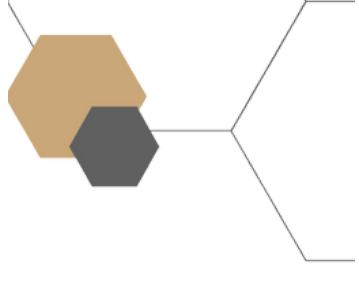
"That means fostering health sovereignty through robust compliance and local industrialisation, enhancing the country's appeal as a regional life-sciences hub, accelerating healthcare digitalisation, and developing tomorrow's talent through targeted knowledge-transfer initiatives."

Recognised Expertise Tailored to the Local Ecosystem

Operating from Dubai, Efor offers public- and private-sector partners a comprehensive portfolio of strategic services:

- **Regulatory Affairs & Compliance:** End-to-end support for product registration, market access and post-market support with local authorities (MoHAP, DHA), aligned with global best practices.
- **Industrial Engineering & Innovation:** Tailored solutions integrating digitalisation, automation and artificial intelligence into healthcare facilities and manufacturing to achieve operational excellence.
- **Qualification, Validation & Quality Assurance:** Comprehensive Commissioning, Qualification & Validation (CQV) services, internal quality audits, mock inspections, and UAE-specific quality management support, delivered through agile, fixed-price engagement models.





"Launching our Dubai office is a natural next step and strategic milestone for Efor," notes Julie Marion, Executive Director for Operations & Strategy.

"It reflects our determination to be close to rapidly evolving healthcare ecosystems. With our technical excellence, deep insight into local challenges and the dedication of our teams, we are confident we can create real value for the Emirates."

A Regional Vision: Dubai as a Gateway to the Gulf and the Middle East

By choosing Dubai, Efor establishes a regional platform to support healthcare transformation across the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries and the wider Middle East. The city's strategic location enables the firm to tailor its services to the specific needs of each market while fostering innovative cross-border collaborations.

Starting in 2026, Efor will assemble a blended team, combining local talent with international experts from Europe, North America and Asia, ensuring unparalleled depth of expertise. The company also plans to forge strategic partnerships with Emirati universities, healthcare institutions and research centres.

"We believe in the power of collaboration. Across the globe, we've established lasting regional footprints by partnering with local ecosystems to create sustainable, shared value," says Mathieu Roger, Founder and President of Efor Group.

About Efor Group

Founded in 2013, Efor Group is a global leader in quality engineering and regulatory compliance dedicated to the healthcare industries.

The Group supports pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device companies in ensuring the compliance of their manufacturing sites and accelerating the market entry of safe, effective medicines, vaccines, and medical devices for patients worldwide.

With more than 3,200 employees across three continents, Efor brings recognized expertise in quality engineering and regulatory compliance to serve the world's leading healthcare manufacturers. Its mission is to remove technical and regulatory barriers in order to transform innovation into accessible therapies – faster, safely, and on a global scale.



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