

Aliph Capital secures US\$125 million investment from ADQ

- Aliph Capital's investment philosophy of backing attractive mid-market companies is fully aligned with ADQ's strategy to invigorate Abu Dhabi and the wider GCC's SME sector
- Private equity is an ideal conduit to achieve the UAE and GCC's domestic economic development goals

Abu Dhabi, UAE – 24 October 2022: Aliph Capital, a GCC-centric private equity firm, today announced that it has secured a US\$125 million investment for its maiden fund, Aliph Fund I (LP), from ADQ, an Abu Dhabi-based investment and holding company.

Based in Abu Dhabi Global Market (ADGM), Aliph Capital is an alternative investment manager founded by Huda Al-Lawati, a leading private equity professional with over 20 years of experience in emerging markets. Aliph Fund I (LP) is a US\$250 million target private equity fund domiciled in ADGM aiming to invest in high quality mid-sized companies in the UAE and across the GCC to accelerate their expansion and growth trajectory.

Aliph Capital will seek to acquire sizeable, active positions in privately owned mid-market companies across the GCC that possess robust business fundamentals to realize attractive returns, through active ownership combined with strong value creation opportunities, institutional governance standards and digitalization.

Aliph has the investment and operational expertise to accelerate growth and scale up in companies by helping founders adopt technology platforms and tools to grow revenues, optimize operations, and cut costs to ensure the long term sustainability of its portfolio companies to generate attractive returns.

Huda Al-Lawati, Founder and CEO of Aliph Capital, said: *"I am delighted and honored that ADQ has chosen Aliph Capital for this significant investment. The timing is perfect for GCC-based private equity to invest in the region's midmarket growth stars, who - when fully equipped with digital and tech enablement levers - will generate significant returns and power the ongoing diversification and transformation of the GCC economy."*

Murtaza Hussain, Chief Investment Officer – Alternative Investments and M&A at ADQ, commented: *"Our investment in Aliph Capital underlines our commitment to delivering on a financially driven mandate that creates long term value for Abu Dhabi. Building a strategic partnership with an Abu Dhabi based private equity fund dedicated to serve SMEs further supports our aim to accelerate sustainable economic development and growth within the UAE and region. Together, we will work in partnership to capture growth opportunities, which complements our core portfolio and enable us to generate attractive, risk-adjusted returns."*

About Aliph Capital

Established in 2021, Aliph Capital is an ADGM based private equity fund manager focused on midmarket and emerging high-growth enterprises in the GCC. Aliph aims to provide growth capital to attractive companies across the GCC with an active ownership model focused on growth, sustainability and bridging the old and new economy gap through digitization and tech enablement. Aliph invests in businesses which create positive economic, social and environmental impact for GCC nations, while generating attractive returns.

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About ADQ

Established in 2018, ADQ is an Abu Dhabi-based investment and holding company with a broad portfolio of major enterprises. Its investments span key sectors of the UAE's diversified economy, including energy and utilities, food and agriculture, healthcare and life sciences, and transport and logistics, amongst others. As a strategic partner of Abu Dhabi's government, ADQ is committed to accelerating the transformation of the Emirate into a globally competitive and knowledge-based economy.

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