

# Aston VIP Streamlines Market Entry and Licensing for Global Firms Navigating Gulf Financial Regulations

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As financial hubs across the Gulf region continue to rise, Aston VIP stands at the forefront of guiding international businesses through the complex and evolving regulatory landscape.

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Founded in 2020 by Danish entrepreneur Stephan Korsgaard, the Dubai-based firm has rapidly earned a reputation for precision, discipline, and results-driven compliance strategies across multiple jurisdictions.

With a legal and operational base in Jumeirah Lake Towers (JLT) and an established presence in London, Aston VIP offers formation, regulatory advisory, and licensing

services tailored to financial institutions, fintech platforms, and digital asset ventures. The firm specializes in navigating three of the region’s most influential regulatory authorities: the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC), Abu Dhabi Global Market (ADGM), and Dubai’s Virtual Assets Regulatory Authority (VARA).

“I do not believe compliance is a box to tick,” says Stephan Korsgaard. “It is the framework that gives business its legitimacy. Without it, there is no real scale.”

### Regulatory Expertise Across Jurisdictions

Aston VIP's services are deeply embedded in the legal and operational realities of each regulatory body. In DIFC, the firm supports clients ranging from banks and custody providers to financial advisors. Its offerings include business planning, capital modelling, board composition strategy, and cyber risk governance.

In ADGM, Aston VIP provides advisory and licensing services for asset managers, credit platforms, and cross-border investment firms. Meanwhile, under VARA, the firm manages end-to-end licensing processes for digital asset exchanges, brokers, custodians, and advisory entities—ensuring full integration of wallet architecture, segregation protocols, and blockchain compliance standards.



Leading the firm's legal and compliance function is Andal Seshadri, an experienced regulatory advisor with a background in enforcement and corporate law. She plays a pivotal role in managing complex applications, including DIFC Category 3A licenses and VARA broker-dealer submissions.

### Delivering Results Through Structure

What sets Aston VIP apart is its unwavering commitment to structure and foresight. The firm's proprietary system, Reg Shift, enables real-time monitoring of compliance status across jurisdictions. Clients receive live alerts on policy deadlines, KYC renewals, and capital requirements—helping them stay audit-ready at all times.

Recent client successes include:

A fintech startup entering the UAE under VARA was able to complete all technical and risk documentation in just under three months, dramatically accelerating its licensing timeline.

A private credit platform secured DIFC authorization after Aston VIP completed full capital stress testing and governance procedures in advance of submission.

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### Preparing for the Future

Beyond current mandates, Aston VIP actively studies regulatory developments across the Gulf. The firm is already modelling frameworks in anticipation of Saudi Arabia's emerging regulatory ecosystem—focusing on licensing, data governance, and investor protection requirements.

Despite Dubai's reputation for speed and high-growth momentum, Aston VIP has built its practice on quiet precision. It doesn't market scale—it builds sustainability. Every client is supported with rigorous analysis, detailed documentation, and strict adherence to legal frameworks.

#### About Aston VIP

Founded in 2020, Aston VIP is a Dubai-based regulatory advisory and licensing firm supporting global financial institutions, fintechs, and digital asset companies across the UAE and beyond.

With a presence in London and expertise spanning DIFC, ADGM, and VARA, Aston VIP is dedicated to enabling compliant, efficient, and structured market entry strategies in the Gulf's evolving financial environment.

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