

Labarna AI Founder Steven Foster Named Cover Feature of Bizpreneur Middle East

Labarna AI founder Steven Foster featured on the cover of Bizpreneur Middle East August 2026, detailing Ghost Architecture and 47-claim Agentic Payment Protocol

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, August 7, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Labarna AI by TFSF Ventures FZ-LLC, a Dubai-headquartered AI venture architecture firm, today announced that Founder and CEO Steven Foster has been named the cover feature of the August 2026 issue of Bizpreneur Middle East, the region's leading publication connecting entrepreneurs and business leaders with resources for informed business growth.

The 18-question cover interview, published today in digital and print formats, provides the most comprehensive public account to date of the company's dual-foundation model: the Labarna sovereign AI engine and the Agentic Payment Protocol — a first-of-its-kind framework covering how AI agents transact, settle, and are governed when they move money, protected by 47 filed patent claims across three US filings.

The interview details the company's operating philosophy, known as Ghost Architecture — a deployment model in which the firm builds production AI directly into client software, the client owns it entirely, and Labarna disappears from view. Every platform deployed carries the client's brand, the client's identity, and the client's name. The firm's logo never appears on a client product.

The feature also covers the company's delivery model, which has compressed traditional software build timelines significantly: websites in seven days or less, standard programs in 30 days or less, and full fintech platforms in 30 to 60 days. Foster attributes the speed to four years of foundational architecture investment in the Labarna engine, which he describes as already proven in production before any client engagement begins.



A significant portion of the interview addresses the family dimension of the business. Foster's son, Tristin Foster, serves as the firm's Product Lead and has shaped the platform's user experience since he was 15 years old. Tristin Foster relocates from the United States to Dubai in October 2026, two months ahead of the rest of the family's permanent move on December 1, 2026.

The cover feature also introduces the company's AI Search Citation Optimization discipline, known as AISCO, a separate service that positions brands to be cited and discovered by major AI frontier models — addressing a market shift in which buying decisions increasingly originate in AI-generated responses rather than traditional search results.

The Agentic Payment Protocol, which Foster calls the single biggest piece of the company, is presented in detail across three interlocking components: REAP (Reconciliation, Escrow, Authorization, and Policy), SLPI (a federated learning intelligence layer), and ADRE (an automated dispute resolution engine). The protocol addresses a structural gap in global financial infrastructure — that every existing payment rail, fraud model, and compliance framework was built on the assumption that a human initiates and authorizes every transaction.

The full interview is available now in the August 2026 issue of Bizpreneur Middle East, accessible digitally at no cost.

Read the full interview: <https://www.flipsnack.com/menapublishinggroup/bizpreneur-middle-east-august-2026>

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Labarna AI by TFSF Ventures FZ-LLC (RAKEZ License 47013955) is an AI venture architecture firm headquartered at Iris Bay Tower, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE. The company operates two independent foundations: the Labarna sovereign AI engine, which deploys autonomous agents into production client software, and the Agentic Payment Protocol (REAP, SLPI, ADRE), protected by 47 filed US pending patent claims. The firm serves clients across multiple verticals through its Ghost Architecture deployment model. Visit Labarna.AI and TFSFVentures.com.

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