## LINKLATERS APPOINTS JONATHAN FRIED AS MIDDLE EAST MANAGING PARTNER

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Global law firm <u>Linklaters</u> has appointed **Jonathan Fried** (pictured) as managing partner for the Middle East, effective 1 December. Fried will also contribute towards key management decisions that help shape the firm's overall strategy. Fried is taking up the role from corporate partner Scott Campbell, who has held the role since 2014.

Based in Dubai, Fried has been with Linklaters for over 2 decades and as the firm's Middle East Head of Capital Markets has built a successful practice covering the full range of products across all sectors. Widely recognised in the Middle East, he has considerable experience supporting sovereigns, government-related entities, financial institutions and companies on their critical international financings.

Linklaters Firmwide Managing Partner, **Paul Lewis**, commented:

"The Middle East continues to be a key focus for the firm as we seek to build on our excellent existing capabilities to meet the increasing demands of our clients. Jonathan is a highly capable leader with strong client relationships, and I look forward to working with him during the next phase of our strategy. I would like to thank Scott for his excellent leadership over the past eight years."

Linklaters Asia Managing Partner, **William Liu**, commented:

"Having worked closely with Jonathan for many years, I know him to be a respected, passionate and effective leader who is recognised in the market as a standout practitioner. He has strong

relationships with and is trusted by key institutions across the region. He will bring his skills and abilities to the leadership of a region that is very much central to the firm's strategy."

Linklaters Middle East Managing Partner, Jonathan Fried added:

"I am honoured to be taking on this role and would like to thank Scott for his leadership over the past eight years, during which time we have gone from strength to strength. The depth of experience of, and the range of expertise in, our market-leading team provides a unique platform from which to support our clients on their key and evolving priorities in a rapidly changing world. Together with the regional and global teams, I am excited by the opportunities that lie ahead for this great firm and our clients."