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Strategic partnership to drive Japanese investment in Abu Dhabi

Mizuho and Abu Dhabi Investment Office sign memorandum of understanding for business cooperation

At the Abu Dhabi Investment Forum held in Tokyo on May 9, 2025, Mizuho Bank, Ltd. (President & CEO: Masahiko Kato) and Mizuho International plc (President & CEO: Suneel Bakhshi) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for business cooperation with the Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO),* a United Arab Emirates (UAE) government agency.

The UAE continues to advance its National Investment Strategy 2031, which aims to increase foreign investment in the UAE and investment by the UAE in other countries by 2031. Central to this vision is the UAE's approach to attracting investment, fostering strategic partnerships, and creating a competitive environment for global enterprises.

Since the establishment of Mizuho Bank's Abu Dhabi Branch in 2019, Mizuho has promoted investment between Japan and Abu Dhabi by providing a full range of financial and advisory services as the first Japanese bank to enter the Abu Dhabi Global Market. Through this MoU, Mizuho will utilize ADIO's wealth of information and network of relationships with local companies to provide even more meticulous support to clients that are interested in expanding into the UAE or finding local business partners there. Mizuho will also further improve the quality of its services in order to meet a wider range of client needs.

* ADIO promotes foreign investment in Abu Dhabi and attracts companies from high-growth economic sectors to Abu Dhabi in line with the UAE's long-term vision.

