



RAK DOF refined its readiness towards providing the protection of public funds management optimally through certification against ISO 37001

The DOF is a Central Government entity within the Ras Al-Khaimah Government striving for continuous improvement of the provision of financial, accounting, and consulting services that comply with international standards as well as the development of the legislation, regulations, and financial policies.

THE DOF aims to comply with new governance requirements and changes in different business environments, especially the digital transformation, to ensure a competitive edge within the industry.


ISO 37001 specifies measures the organization can implement to help prevent, detect, and address bribery. For the DOF, ISO 37001 helped increase the awareness among the stakeholders based on the approved channels to receive valid whistle blowers about any potential case. The application of this system has also had a significant impact on mitigating the risks related to bribery and corruption at the level of the activities and operations of the DOF. It elevates high levels of satisfaction among the beneficiaries and decision-makers within the RAK Government about the vital role of DOF in anti-bribery and corruption in general.

Furthermore, the DOF has acquired more confidence and a good institutional reputation from all stakeholders about its pivotal role to support the government's directions for a better future that is suitable to meet business aspirations globally. It enables to attract the interest of business leaders and major investors from all over the world to invest within the Emirate of Ras Al-Khaimah with full confidence and security that the government business environment works within the lines of integrity and transparency.



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ISO 37001 has been a game-changer for the DOF in building the confidence of all stakeholders. Internally, it helped an institutional culture of accountability and continuous improvement for the implementation of practices and activities supporting the establishment of an integrated anti-bribery management system. Also developing corruption and whistleblowing of violations guides encouraged a healthy environment protecting the RAK Government public funds and ensuring the application of financial processes in line with the latest best practices within the government sector.

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Client Challenge

In accordance with the vision, values, and strategic directions as a government entity pursuing sustainable and protective management of public funds in a way that enhances opportunities for sustainable development supporting RAK's vision 2030, the DOF sought to establish solid rules and procedures, as well as to expand the authorities and responsibilities that ensure strict commitment to achieving the highest levels of transparency, accountability, and discipline accepted by all stakeholders related to the DOF's activities, tasks, operations and services at the government level to combat various cases of corruption, especially bribery and fraud, in a manner that ensures compliance with the laws, institutional regulations and anti-bribery procedures in place at the state and RAK Emirate levels. This solution will contribute to the implementation of the Anti-Bribery Management system as part of the application of the integrated system for developing institutional performance, in accordance with the methodology and principles of governance adopted by the DOF's role over the Government of Ras Al-Khaimah. The DOF's policy in this regard shall not be lenient towards combating cases referred to as bribery or any situation and other issues that are relevant to corruption. Considering that cases of bribery and corruption are totally unacceptable to the DOF at the

level of its activities, operations, and services at the RAK government level, it does not permissible to deal with bribery or corruption of any form, whether with the private sector or the public sector. Hence, the DOF is keen to ensure that its dealings are fair, impartial, fair, honest, and transparent optimally to support the decision-making.

BSI Solution

Ras Al-Khaimah Finance has taken the initiative to communicate directly with our strategically BSI in the UAE to obtain the necessary training for all employees and leaders of the Finance Department and to provide advice on the standards related to the ISO standard for bribery and how to best implement it by reviewing the best practices and experiences in this field.

As a result, ISO 370001 certification gives our stakeholders the confidence that the RAK- DOF meets industry standards to prevent the bribery and corruption inside the government sector seriously. This success comes from the full support of all government leaders of the Ras Al Khaimah was provided to the DOF, which has contributed to enhancing successfully the controlling role of the DOF in the first place.



Why BSI?

BSI company enjoys a good reputation for implementing international standards for the various ISO systems in support of the development of business environments, and it gains high credibility with the presence of high expertise and competencies to meet the requirements of organizations toward the strategic goals.