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Amanat General Assembly Meeting

List of Nominees



Amanat Holdings – One Central Offices

18 November 2026

Amanat Board Nominations 2026

Final List of Nominees

1. Dr Ali Saeed bin Harmal Aldhaheri (UAE National)
2. Mr. Dhafer Sahmi Al Ahbabi (UAE National)
3. Mr Hamad Abdulla Alshamsi (UAE National)
4. Mr Abdulla Mohammed Alhosani (UAE National)
5. Mr Omran Mohammed Saleh Alkhoori (UAE National)
6. Ms Sara Khalil Nooruddin
7. Mr Mohamed Ahmed Alhashemi (UAE National)
8. Ms Anna Pouliou
9. Ms Shabnam Mohammad
10. Mr Hussam Sabeel
11. Mr Keith Thorn
12. Dr Ayoub Kazim(UAE National)
13. Mr Albert Nazarian
14. Ms Hessa Saeed Ahmed (UAE National)
15. Dr Hamad Buamim (UAE National)
16. Mr Sergei Sergeevich Stankovski
17. Mr Khalid Abdulrahman Almarzooki (UAE National)
18. Mr James Babb
19. Ms Eman Al Shorafa (UAE National)
20. Mr Rashed Alhammadi (UAE National)
21. Mr Matar Hamdan Al Ameri (UAE National)
22. Dr Anis Samet
23. Mr Iftikhar Hussain Shaikh

Dr. Ali Saeed bin Harmal Aldhaheri



Dr. Ali has been the Chairman of Amanat Holdings PJSC since February 2026 and has been a Board member of the Company since 2020.

He has a proven track record spanning over two decades in both Education and business. He has founded, launched, and managed several thriving business ventures in diverse sectors such as Education, tourism, and real estate. Moreover, Dr. Ali has been actively engaged in high-level government tourism and development strategies, sports, MICE, Education management, investments and international trade.

Dr. Ali also holds several other significant positions, including Chairman and Founder of Abu Dhabi University, Chairman and CEO of NEMA Education, Chairman of Cambridge Health Group, Managing Director of Bin Harmal Group, and Chairman of Liwa Education and Magna Investments. Furthermore, he serves on the boards of various listed companies, including Almasar Alshamil Education, and is Chairman of Watania International Holding. Dr. Ali is also the First Vice Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Mr. Dhafer Sahmi Al Ahbabi



Mr. Dhafer has served as Vice Chairman of Amanat Holdings PJSC since February 2026 and has been a member of the Company's Board of Directors since 2020.

He is an accomplished executive, investor, and entrepreneur with over two decades of experience in investment management, financial services, healthcare, and education. Recognized for his strong business acumen, technical expertise, leadership capabilities, and strategic vision, he has a proven track record of driving business success, expanding into new markets, achieving sustainable growth, and creating long-term value.

He brings extensive board-level experience across the banking, healthcare, and education sectors, with expertise in corporate governance, strategic planning, business development, and investment oversight.

He currently serves as Chairman of Al Ramz Corporation PJSC, Board Member of Aram Capital, Board Member of Almasar Alshamil Education (KSA), and Vice Chairman of Cambridge Health Group.

His previous board appointments include First Abu Dhabi Bank, Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, Invest Bank, and Abu Dhabi University Holding Group.

Mr. Hamad Abdulla Alshamsi



Mr. Hamad has been a Board Member of Amanat Holdings PJSC since 2017. He is a UAE national businessman, with a wealth of experience that spans more than three decades, overseeing several businesses across multiple disciplines.

With particular expertise in financial services and investments, Mr. Hamad was previously the CEO of a Private Investment Company specialized in investments and real estate development projects.

Mr. Hamad currently serves on the Board of Dubai Islamic Bank and has previously served as Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX), International Holding Company (IHC), and Al Qudra Holding, and as Vice Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Media Zone Authority. In addition, Mr. Hamad has served on the Board of Directors of several leading private and governmental institutions engaged in commercial, financial and service-based activities in the UAE, including Etihad Airways, Abu Dhabi Council for Economic Development, Finance House, Al Hilal Bank, Abu Dhabi Aviation, and Abu Dhabi Airports Company.

Mr. Hamad Abdulla Alshamsi



Mr. Abdulla has been a Board Member of Amanat Holdings PJSC since 2023. He is a highly seasoned banking professional from the United Arab Emirates, boasting an impressive 30 years of experience in the industry.

Throughout his journey, Mr. Abdulla has consistently demonstrated exceptional expertise and leadership within the development of the banking industry, including retail banking, commercial banking, business research, and quality assurance, contributing to the growth and advancement of the UAE's banking sector. Mr. Abdulla has held key leadership positions in renowned banking institutions across the UAE, including National Bank of Abu Dhabi, First Gulf Bank, Commercial Bank of Dubai, and Bank of Oman / Mashreq Bank.

He previously served on the Board of Gulf Cement Company and has played a notable part in growing Al Salem Company Ltd as an investment firm in the UAE market.

Mr. Abdulla currently sits on several boards, including Ajman Bank, and Union Insurance Company.

Mr. Omran Mohammed Saleh Alkhoori



Board member of Amanat Holdings PJSC since 2023.

Over two decades of experience across the healthcare and oil and gas industries, with a strong foundation in the social and education sectors. Known for championing the private sector as a career path for Emirati professionals, particularly in healthcare.

Chairman of Response Plus Holding PJSC (RPM), the largest pre-hospital medical services provider in the UAE and KSA.

Sits on the board of Burjeel Holdings.

Ms. Sara Khalil Nooruddin



Sara has served as Deputy Chief Investment Officer at Osool Asset Management since 2024, leading the investment strategy for a diversified portfolio of more than US$10 billion across public and private markets.

She has over 18 years of experience in investments, private equity and asset management. She joined Osool in 2013 after holding roles in private equity, credit and investment analysis at Gulf International Bank.

Sara has served on the board of Amanat Holdings PJSC since 2019 and on the board of Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait, Seef Properties, Al Malaki Specialist Hospital, Aegila Capital Management and Amlak Real Estate Company.

Mr. Mohamed Ahmed Alhashemi



Chief Executive Officer of Union Coop since 2023, a consumer cooperative listed on the Dubai Financial Market.

Over two decades of experience across retail, leisure and entertainment, real estate and finance in the GCC.

Previously Country Head at Majid Al Futtaim for Saudi Arabia, and then for the UAE and Oman, where he led VOX Cinemas' entry into Saudi Arabia in 2018 and built a team of more than 1,300. Earlier held finance and treasury roles at Majid Al Futtaim and Emirates Islamic Bank.

Chairman of Atelier Digital, Chair of the Groceries and Hypermarkets Business Group at Dubai Chambers, and Board Member of the UAE Food Cluster.

Ms. Anna Pouliou



Chair of CERN's independent Data Protection Commission since 2024.

Over 25 years of experience in legal, regulatory and governance roles across technology, financial services, payments and consumer businesses, with particular expertise in AI, data, cyber and regulatory oversight.

Previously Chief Privacy Officer and Associate General Counsel at Mars, Partner at Deloitte, Global Head of Privacy at Chanel, and EMEA Executive Director at GE. Earlier held senior legal roles at First Data and Euroclear, where she contributed to the development of DIFC and Dubai's financial market infrastructure.

Also a member of the World Federation of Scientists Permanent Monitoring Panel for AI, Cyber and Data Protection.

Ms. Shabnam Mohammad



British finance executive and certified board director based in Dubai, with more than 27 years' experience in investment banking, private equity and Islamic finance, including senior roles at Deutsche Bank, Khalij Islamic and Tell Group, where she was CEO.

Founder and CEO of Black Mountain Consulting, and currently serves as an Independent Director of Bank Makramah and Attock Cement Pakistan, chairing the HR & Remuneration Committee at both, and as an IFC (World Bank Group) Nominee Director. She was previously the first female board member of Dubai Islamic Bank, Pakistan.

Mr. Hussam Sabeel



Design Manager at Ayana Holding (VX Studio) in Dubai.

Over 16 years of experience in architecture, design and project coordination, 13 of them in the UAE, across residential, hospitality and mixed-use developments.

Former Senior Architect at Azizi Developments, and Project Architect at Mudon Consult and EllisDon.

Mr. Keith Thorn



British finance professional based in Dubai, with more than 30 years' experience in broking, fund management, fixed income trading and banking across Dubai, Singapore, Hong Kong, Tokyo and London.

He was most recently Senior Executive Officer of JB Drax Honore (DIFC) Ltd, where he was appointed Director in 2023 and sat on the Credit and Risk Committees.

He previously served as CEO and CIO of a Singapore family office fund, Head of Proprietary Trading at Mizuho Corporate Asia (Hong Kong), and Head of Fixed Income Trading at SG Warburg Securities in Tokyo and was a Non-Executive Director of China Dream Fund (Cayman Islands) from 2015 to 2025.

Dr. Ayoub Kazim



Independent Strategic Advisor since 2024, advising government and investors on education, economic zones and a university-anchored mixed-use development.

Over 30 years of experience across Dubai Holding and federal higher education. Led Dubai Knowledge Village and Dubai International Academic City for TECOM Group for a decade.

Former Managing Director within the TECOM Group, Executive Director of the Higher Colleges of Technology's Dubai campuses, and Associate Professor at UAE University.

Former Board Member of Dubai Refreshment Company PJSC, including its Nomination and Remuneration Committee, and former Council Member of The British University in Dubai.

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Mr. Albert Nazarian



Chairperson and Shareholder of TopJuan Tech Corporation, a regulated fintech and e-money business in the Philippines, and Board Treasurer of Serafina Ideation (USA).

Former Managing Director, Commercial Operations, and Regional CFO for Africa & Middle East at General Motors in Dubai, leading a business of more than US$3.5 billion, along with senior CFO and finance roles at GM in China, Korea and the United States.

Former Chairperson of Blue Sky Tech Solutions (UK), and former Board Member of V-Plus Pay (Hong Kong), GM Egypt and GM Technical Center Korea.

Ms. Hessa Saeed Ahmed



Head of the AML Supervision Section at the UAE Ministry of Economy since 2025, leading risk-based supervision of designated non-financial businesses and professions (DNFBPs) and contributing to the UAE's FATF progress reporting.

Over 14 years of experience in regulatory supervision, compliance, anti-money laundering and governance across the public and insurance sectors.

Former Compliance & AML Manager at Dar Al Takaful PJSC, and former Non-Executive Board Member of the Emirates Association for Accountants and Auditors.

Dr. Hamad Buamim



Chairman of Dubai Multi Commodities Authority (DMCC) since 2021, Chairman of National General Insurance PJSC and Wealthbrix Capital Partners, and Vice Chairman of Deyaar Development PJSC.

Over 25 years of leadership experience across government, trade, banking and economic development, including as Group Managing Director of Dubai World and President & CEO of Dubai Chamber for 16 years.

Sits on the boards of listed companies including Dubai Islamic Bank, Dubai Electricity & Water Authority (DEWA) and International Hotel Investments (Malta), and is a Board Member of Awqaf Dubai, the Dubai Free Zones Council and Economic Zones World. Also Honorary Chairman of the World Chambers Federation (ICC Paris).

Former Secretary General of the Dubai Economic Council.

Mr. Sergei Sergeevich Stankovski



Founder and General Manager of Borg Consultants FZ-LLC (Dubai) since 2025, and Strategic Financing Advisor to the Falkland Islands Government since 2023.

Over 30 years of experience as an investment banker and economist in capital markets, corporate finance and sovereign advisory across the Middle East, Africa, Turkey and the CIS.

Former Managing Director and Head of the Emerging Markets Financing Group at Goldman Sachs, Head of Russia, Ukraine and Kazakhstan Investment Banking at Barclays Capital, Head of Fixed Income at Renaissance Capital, and Chairman of Borg Associates. Earlier served as an Economist at the International Monetary Fund.

Former Board Member of portfolio companies of Finstar Financial Group while serving as its Head of Funding.

Mr. Khalid Abdulrahman Almarzooqi



Head of Internal Audit at the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque Centre since 2025, and Acting Head of Internal Audit and Audit Committee Secretary at Qasr Al Watan, establishing the internal audit function across these Presidential Court entities.

Over nine years of experience in internal audit, governance, risk and compliance, advising senior leadership and audit committees on governance, internal controls and enterprise risk.

Former Senior Internal Auditor at ADNOC Drilling, where he also served as Audit Committee Secretary for Turnwell LLC, and former Head of Energy & Transportation Affairs at the UAE Accountability Authority, directing national-level audits of strategic entities.

Mr. James Babb



Independent Non-Executive Director of Nomad Invest (ADGM) since 2024, and Advisory Board Chair of Quantum Infrastructures since 2026.

Over 33 years of professional services experience, including three decades in the Middle East, specialising in financial oversight, enterprise risk, strategy and investment stewardship.

Former Partner and Executive Committee Member at Deloitte Middle East and KPMG Lower Gulf, including Head of Clients and Markets at KPMG and Clients & Industries Leader at Deloitte, where he also led Deloitte's global relationship with GEMS Education.

Former Audit & Risk Committee Chair at Al Ghurair Group and Taghleef Industries, and former Advisory Board Chair of CAFU.

Ms. Eman Al Shorafa



Founder and CEO of WEVIN Investments since 2022 and Partner in Bedayati Nursery in Abu Dhabi.

Over 15 years of experience in healthcare operations, entrepreneurship and business consultancy, and one of the youngest female Emirati Chief Operating Officers in Abu Dhabi's healthcare sector.

Former Chief Operating Officer and Chief Protocol Officer of Danat Al Emarat Hospital for Women and Children, where she led hospital operations and more than 300 staff.

Board Member of family investments company, Umniya IVF clinic, United Eastern Group since 2009, and United Eastern Technical & Management Training since 2015.

Mr. Rashed Alhammadi



Senior Vice President, Portfolio & Governance at Borouge International since 2026, leading portfolio prioritisation, capital-allocation governance and investment decision support across a global capital projects portfolio.

Over 20 years of experience across ADNOC and Borouge in energy, industry and infrastructure, with expertise in project and investment governance, risk and assurance, and organisational transformation.

Former Vice President of the Gas Projects Division at ADNOC Downstream, Marketing & Trading, having held a series of senior management roles in gas studies, operations and projects, and technical studies. Earlier roles at the Department of Transport, Abu Dhabi and GASCO.

Mr. Matar Hamdan Al Ameri



Executive Managing Director of the Private Department of H.E. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Khalid Al Nahyan, Chairman of Watania Takaful Family, and Vice Chairman of Watania International Holding and Eshraq Investment PJSC.

Over 30 years of experience across the petroleum sector, including upstream and downstream operations, processing, fertilisers, shipping and drilling, as well as banking and financial services.

Former Director of Finance & Investment at ADNOC, where he led the partial privatisation of ADNOC Distribution and ADNOC's first USD 5 billion infrastructure private placement, and served on the boards of ADNOC Group subsidiaries.

Former Chairman of the Audit & Budget Committees at National Bank of Abu Dhabi, Chairman of Borouge PTE and National Bank of Sudan, and Vice Chairman of Aafaq Islamic Finance.

Dr. Anis Samet



Professor of Finance at the American University of Sharjah since 2021 and holder of the Bank of Sharjah Endowed Chair since 2023.

Over 25 years of experience across higher education, financial risk management, consulting and public policy, with expertise in enterprise risk, investments, regulatory compliance and ESG.

Sits on the board of DFM-listed Dubai Islamic Insurance & Reinsurance Company (AMAN) PJSC, where he chairs the Risk Committee and serves on the Audit and Investment Committees. Has consulted for the International Monetary Fund, the UAE Central Bank, the Sharjah Finance Ministry and the Securities and Commodities Authority, and was formerly a Risk Management Advisor to the Quebec Pension Fund (la Caisse).

Mr. Iftikhar Husain Shaikh



Founder of AnchorBridge LLC, an insurance, employee-benefits and distribution advisory business in the UAE, and of Agri Gate Foodstuff LLC.

Over 30 years of experience in insurance, banking and asset management across the UAE, the wider GCC and India, with expertise in healthcare financing, regulatory compliance, P&L oversight and people leadership.

Former Head of Face-to-Face Distribution for the Gulf and Country Manager for Kuwait at MetLife Gulf, where he spent 15 years leading health, medical and life insurance distribution across five GCC markets, a US$120M+ portfolio and a 350+ adviser organisation. Earlier held senior roles at Nippon Life India Asset Management, HDFC Bank and Max Life Insurance.

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