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# ALPHA DATA PJSC ANNOUNCES OFFER PRICE RANGE AND START OF SUBSCRIPTION PERIOD FOR ITS INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING

(under conversion in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates from a limited liability company to a public joint stock company)

**Abu Dhabi, UAE, 20 February 2025:** Alpha Data PJSC and its subsidiaries (the "Group" or "Alpha Data"), one of the leading digital transformation providers & system integrators in the UAE, today announces the price range and start of the subscription period for its initial public offering (the "IPO" or the "Offering") on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange ("ADX").

## **KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE OFFERING:**

- The Offer Price Range has been set between AED 1.45 and AED 1.50 per Share, implying a market capitalization at the time of listing between AED 1.45 billion (c. US\$ 395 million) and AED 1.50 billion (c. US\$ 408 million)¹.
- 400,000,000 Shares each with a nominal value of AED 0.03 will be made available in the Offering, representing 40% of the Group's total issued share capital (the "Offer Shares").
- The Group is expected to distribute a dividend of AED 130 million with respect to 2025, implying a dividend yield of 9.0% 8.7% assuming the above Offer Price Range.
- All Shares in the Offering to be sold are existing shares held by Bin Hamoodah Company LLC and Ibbini Investment Company LLC, both of which reserve the right to amend the size of the Offering at any time prior to the end of the subscription period at their sole discretion, subject to applicable laws and the approval of the SCA.
- The Offering will comprise a UAE Retail Offering or First Tranche for UAE Retail Investors, and a Qualified Investor Offering or Second Tranche for Professional Investors outside the United States, including the UAE.
- The UAE Retail Offering will represent 5% of the total offer size, and the Qualified Investor Offering will represent 95% of the total offer size.
- The subscription period will open on Thursday, 20 February 2025, and end on Tuesday, 25 February 2025, for both UAE Retail Investors and Professional Investors.
- The final offer price will be determined through a book building process and is expected to be announced on Wednesday 26 February 2025.
- Admission of Shares for trading on the ADX (the "Admission") is expected to take place on or about 11 March 2025.
- The Internal Sharia Supervision Committee of Emirates NBD has issued a pronouncement confirming that, in its view, the Offering is compliant with Shariah principles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The value of UAE dirhams have been pegged to a US dollar rate of AED 3.6725 per US\$1 since 1997. All AED/US\$ conversions included herein have been calculated at this rate.

Fayez Ibbini, Founder and CEO of Alpha Data, commented: "I have been hugely encouraged by the strong interest Alpha Data has received since we announced our intention to float on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange last week. Our IPO marks a rare opportunity to invest in a homegrown UAE family business with strong fundamentals underpinned by macro-trends in the Information and Communications Technology sector, including the rapid growth of Agentic AI. With our recently established presence in Saudi Arabia and Qatar, Alpha Data is well positioned to drive further growth across key business verticals, supported by our main operations in the UAE. This was demonstrated by the robust performance across the business in 2024; momentum we have seen continue into 2025. We look forward to announcing the final offer price next week and, in due course, welcoming new shareholders to be a part of our growth story."

## DETAILS OF THE OFFER PRICE RANGE AND SUBSCRIPTION PROCESS

The Selling Shareholders intend to offer 40% of Alpha Data's total share capital in proportion to their respective ownership of the total issued shares of the Company immediately prior to the Offering. Immediately following the Offering, the majority of the shares will continue to be held by the Selling Shareholders in the same respective proportions. The Selling Shareholders reserve the right to amend the size of the Offering at any time prior to the end of the subscription period at their sole discretion, subject to applicable laws and the approval of the SCA.

All the shares being sold by the Selling Shareholders are existing ordinary shares and the Group will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the shares in the Offering, all of which will be paid to the Selling Shareholders in proportion to their respective ownership of the Offer Shares.

The Offering will be conducted in the manner as approved by the SCA and will be offered in a parallel offering as follows:

- **UAE Retail Offering:** 20,000,000 Offer Shares have been allocated for Retail Investor applicants in the First Tranche, being 5% of the total Offer Shares. The minimum application size for First Tranche subscribers is AED 5,000. Each successful subscriber in the First Tranche will be guaranteed a minimum allocation of 2,000 Shares, subject to the total number of shares allocated pursuant to the minimum guaranteed allocation in the First Tranche not exceeding the total number of shares available in the First Tranche, in which case the minimum allocation could be lower than 2,000 Shares.
- Qualified Investor Offering: 380,000,000 Offer Shares have been allocated for Professional Investor applicants in the Second Tranche, being 95% of the Offer. The minimum application size for Second Tranche subscribers is AED 5,000,000.

Further, the Emirates Investment Authority (the "EIA") shall be entitled to subscribe for up to 5% of the Offer Shares, and the percentage of Offer Shares which the EIA may purchase shall be allocated in full before the commencement of allocation to any other subscribers to the Qualified Investor Offering.

Pursuant to an underwriting agreement entered into between Alpha Data, the Selling Shareholders, and the Joint Bookrunners (the "Underwriting Agreement"), the Shares held by the Selling Shareholders following Admission shall be subject to a lock-up period which starts on the date of Admission and ends 180 days thereafter, subject to certain permitted transfers as set out in the Underwriting Agreement.

Admission of the Shares to listing and trading on the ADX is expected on or around 11 March 2025, subject to receiving all required regulatory approvals.

The completion of the Offering and Admission is subject to market conditions and obtaining all necessary regulatory approvals.

- EFG-Hermes and Emirates NBD Capital PSC have been appointed as Joint Global Coordinators and Joint Bookrunners. Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC has been appointed as Joint Bookrunner.
- Emirates NBD Bank PJSC has been appointed as the Lead Receiving Bank. Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC, Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, Al Maryah Community Bank, Emirates Islamic Bank, and Wio Bank have also been appointed as Receiving Banks.

Full details of the Offering are included in an Arabic-language prospectus (the "UAE Prospectus"), in a public subscription announcement (the "Public Announcement") with respect to the UAE Retail Offering, and in an English-language international offering memorandum (the "International Offering Memorandum") with respect to the Qualified Investor Offering. The UAE Prospectus, Public Announcement and the International Offering Memorandum are available at <a href="https://www.alpha.ae/ipo">www.alpha.ae/ipo</a>.

## **PRICE STABILISATION**

In connection with the Offering, the Company and the Selling Shareholders have appointed a stabilization manager who may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, regulations and rules, effect stabilization transactions on up to 40,000,000 Shares (the "Stabilization Shares"), with a view to supporting the market price of the Stabilization Shares at a higher level than that which might otherwise prevail in the open market.

#### SHARIAH COMPLIANCE

Emirates NBD ISSC has issued pronouncements confirming that, in its view, the Offering is compliant with Shariah principles. Investors should undertake their own due diligence to ensure that the Offering is Shariah-compliant for their own purposes.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Offer opening date for First Tranche & Second Tranche: 20 February 2025
- ➤ Offer closing date for First Trance & Second Tranche: 25 February 2025
- Announcement of final price of the offering: 26 February 2026
- > Date of listing and trading on ADX (expected): on or around 11 March 2025

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#### **ABOUT ALPHA DATA**

Alpha Data is one of the leading Digital Transformation providers & System Integrators in the UAE. Established in 1981, the Group has evolved from small beginnings to over 1,500 professionals building ICT solutions for thousands of organizations. The Group's diverse portfolio of offerings includes new technologies that encompass Artificial Intelligence (AI), Mobility, Security, the Internet of Things (IoT), Big Data, and the Cloud – all designed to help customers in their transformation journey to the rapidly evolving digital economy.

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# **LEAD RECEIVING BANK**

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