

## PRESS RELEASE

### Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Lists US\$1 Billion Bonds Issued by Abu Dhabi Ports bonds

**Abu Dhabi, UAE – June 3, 2021:** – Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) announced today that it has listed USD 1 billion of bonds issued by Abu Dhabi Ports. The 10-year bonds, with a primary listing on the London Stock Exchange, are rated A+ (stable) by S&P and A+ (stable) by Fitch, and were 4.5 times over-subscribed. The Notes mature on 6 May 2031 and carry a coupon of 2.5% per annum.

Bond market development is a key part of the Abu Dhabi exchange's "ADX One" strategy, which aims to increase liquidity and broaden the market's offering of products and services. In the last year the ADX has attracted exchange traded funds (ETFs) and listings on the Second Market, and the launch of a derivatives market is scheduled for late 2021.

The listing of Abu Dhabi Ports bonds follows the listing on ADX in April of 1.1 billion euros of bonds issued by Mamoura Diversified Global Holding, a debt issuing entity of Mubadala Investment Company.

**Saeed Hamad Obaid Al Dhaheri, Chief Executive Officer of ADX, said:** "We welcome the listing of Abu Dhabi Ports' bonds on the ADX as the exchange continues to deepen the marketplace, providing investors with high quality access to regional investment opportunities. This year, we have seen a significant increase in liquidity and an acceleration in the growth in market capitalisation, which has made the ADX the second largest market in the MENA region. As we invest further in technology, and broaden our products and services, ADX is well positioned to build a strong pipeline of listings."

**Capt. Mohamed Juma Al Shamisi, Group CEO, Abu Dhabi Ports, said:** "Our recent bond issuance attracted strong global interest, achieving the lowest coupon by an Abu Dhabi government owned entity for a 10-year tenor. This is a strong vote of confidence in our strategy and in the UAE economy and leadership. We have successfully consolidated and integrated our ports, industrial, logistics, maritime and digital entities while increasing volumes and revenues. Today, we are a regional pioneer supporting the growth of Abu Dhabi and the UAE, and driving innovation and development across the global maritime and logistics industries."

Trading on ADX has increased notably this year, as the exchange's market capitalization increased 27% during the first quarter to a record AED 940 billion and the benchmark ADX index advanced 30%.

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## Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange

Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) was established on November 15 of the year 2000 by Local Law No. (3) Of 2000, the provisions of which vest the market with a legal entity of autonomous status, independent finance and management. The Law also provides ADX with the necessary supervisory and executive powers to exercise its functions. On May 17 2020, ADX was converted from a "Public Entity" to a "Public Joint Stock Company PJSC" pursuant to law No. (8) of 2020. ADX is part of ADQ, one of the region's largest holding companies with a broad portfolio of major enterprises spanning key sectors of Abu Dhabi's diversified economy.

ADX is a market for trading securities; including shares issued by public joint stock companies, bonds issued by governments or corporations, exchange traded funds, and any other financial instruments approved by the UAE Securities and Commodities Authority (SCA). ADX is the second largest market in the Arab region and its strategy of providing stable financial performance with diversified sources of incomes is aligned with the guiding principles of the UAE "Towards the next 50" agenda. The national plan charts out the UAE's strategic development scheme which aims to build a sustainable, diversified and high value-added economy that positively contributes to transition to a new global sustainable development paradigm.

## About Abu Dhabi Ports:

Established in 2006, Abu Dhabi Ports today serves as the region's premier facilitator of logistics, industry, and trade, as well as a bridge linking Abu Dhabi to the world. Part of ADQ, one of the region's largest holding companies with a broad portfolio of major enterprises spanning key sectors of Abu Dhabi's diversified economy, Abu Dhabi Ports' vertically integrated business approach has proven instrumental in driving the emirate's economic development over the past decade.

Operating several clusters covering Ports, Industrial Cities & Free Zone, Maritime, Logistics, and Digital, Abu Dhabi Ports' portfolio comprises 11 ports and terminals in the UAE and Guinea, and more than 550 square kilometres of industrial zones within Khalifa Industrial Zone Abu Dhabi (KIZAD) and ZonesCorp, the largest integrated trade, logistics, and industrial business grouping in the Middle East.

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