

Farhan Faraidooni

Executive Chairman of Sama Dubai

Farhan Faraidooni is the Executive Chairman of Sama Dubai, the international real estate investment and development arm of Dubai Holding. In his present role, he is responsible for Sama Dubai's strategic global expansion plan.

Farhan has been the Sama Dubai Chief Executive Officer since 2005. He has played a pivotal role in the company's local and regional expansion. During his tenure, Sama Dubai successfully launched mega projects in the GCC and MENA regions, in addition to establishing two global brands 'Dubai Towers' and 'Salam'.

Earlier, as the CEO of Executive Design Bureau, Farhan played a pioneering role in envisioning several landmark projects including the Jumeirah Beach Residence, Dubai Healthcare City (DHCC), Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) and Dubailand™.

Prior to this, Farhan was Head of Zoning at the Town Planning Department of Dubai Municipality, and Head of Real Estate at the Dubai Technology E-Commerce & Media Free Zone Authority (TECOM).

Along with his responsibility as Executive Chairman of Sama Dubai, Farhan is also the Chairman of Dubai Real Estate Institute (DREI) board, the region's first specialized academic institute for real estate studies. He is also on the board of Dubai Healthcare City, positioned as the regional hub for the healthcare industry, the Ministry of Religious Endowment "Awqaf" and Minors Affairs, and the Al Ahli Sports Club.

Farhan holds a bachelor's degree in Architectural Engineering from the UAE University in Al Ain.

