

WEALTH MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

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## Wealth management



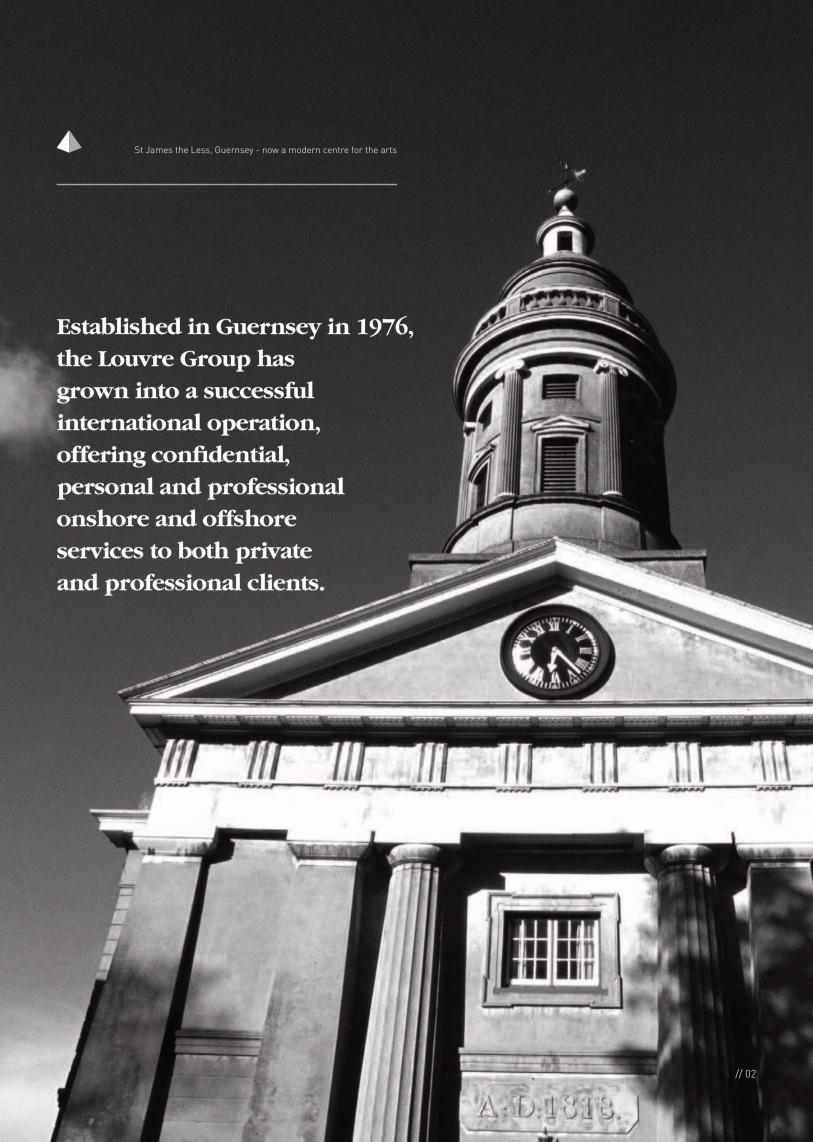
Wealth is not something that can be taken for granted.

It requires meticulous and expert planning to preserve, enhance and ultimately, distribute your wealth. Increasingly, this challenge has an international dimension: wealth is geographically mobile and wealth planning makes use of a range of international financial centres.

### **Solutions**

The Louvre Group is ideally placed to respond to this challenge. Professional expertise, international representation and independent ownership combine to offer a comprehensive range of solutions for wealth management. Our approach is innovative and personal; we tailor solutions to your individual circumstances, while maintaining high standards of service and total confidentiality.





# Boutique approach, global solutions

Louvre Group is privately owned, and able to offer independent, impartial advice.

The group has a strong multidisciplinary business, with seven strategically positioned bases in Guernsey, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Dubai, Hong Kong, the British Virgin Islands and the Cayman Islands.

Our range of wealth management solutions is extensive; often a combination of these solutions offers the personal solution you require.

#### Preserving wealth:

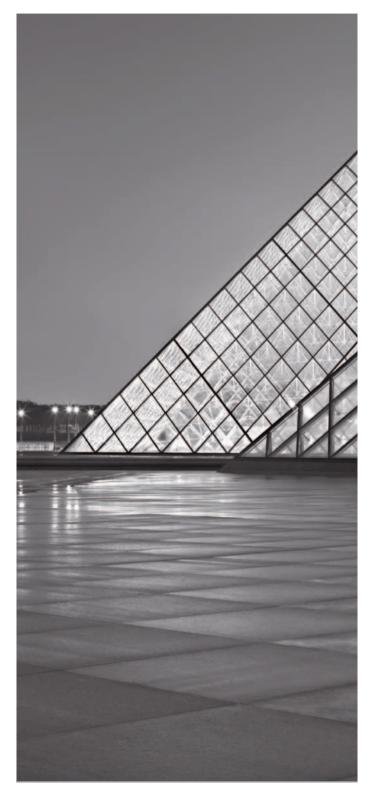
- Trusts and foundations
- International companies
- Pension funds

#### Enhancing wealth:

- Portfolio and property services
- Fund establishment and administration

#### Distributing wealth:

- Charitable and philanthropic structures
- UK wealth management service







# Traditional values, innovative thinking

# Working in partnership

We are committed to excellence in everything we do. Our business is built on a true understanding of each individual client that over time, develops into mutual trust and successful long-term relationships.

We hold traditional values of service and attention to detail, but take a modern, proactive approach to solving our clients' problems, aided by up to date technology.

Louvre Group takes pride in a high staff-to-client ratio, enabling personal attention to your requirements, and also in a high level of client loyalty, often leading to new business introductions.

The main operating businesses within the Louvre Group are regulated, authorised or licensed, as appropriate, in each jurisdiction.

Louvre can work with your existing advisers or recommend new firms based on its own connections.

We recognise that wealth management requires specialist skills such as investment, legal, accountancy and taxation advice. Many clients already have such advisers, and we are very familiar with working with such firms.

Alternatively, we can recommend advisers to you. Louvre Group, as an independent firm, has complete freedom of choice in this respect, and has access to a network of trusted advisers, who we believe share our values of integrity, innovation and excellence.

A key part of our service is working closely with the selected advisers to identify the best approach to your specific problems in preserving, enhancing and distributing wealth.

For us there is no standard or routine approach.



### **Protecting wealth**

### **Trust and foundations**

Trusts or foundations are a core part of wealth management. They offer the opportunity to control wealth while divesting ownership.

As a result they have a wide variety of uses, including wealth protection, inheritance planning, and asset management.

Recommended structures might include family offices, private trust companies, offshore trusts, charitable foundations, purpose trusts and philanthropic advisory services.

Louvre Group has expertise in a full range of trust vehicles for the corporate and private client which can form an important part of an overall wealth planning structure.

### International corporate services

With its international connections, Louvre Group is well placed to advise on the use of corporate structures.

Uses vary from simple asset-holding vehicles to complex active businesses.

Companies are often used to hold real estate, yachts, aeroplanes and intellectual property. Here they offer advantages in terms of confidentiality of ownership and simplicity of transfer, often combined with tax mitigation.

More complex approaches may use protected cell companies and limited partnerships, but whatever the chosen approach, Louvre Group is well positioned to establish and administer the resulting company from a choice of major financial centres.

### **Pension funds**

Louvre Group offers a suite of flexible pension solutions for both UK residents and expatriates living and working overseas.

For those wishing to set up UK pension plans, we offer a tailored Self Invested Pension Plan (SIPP) product which is not limited to insurance bonds but can accept a wide range of investments.

Holders of UK pension plans who are contemplating emigration or are already living abroad now have increased opportunity and flexibility when it comes to controlling retirement planning.

The introduction in 2006 of the Qualifying Recognised Overseas Pension Scheme (QROPS) allows UK pension plans to be transferred overseas. This allows investors to benefit from greater investment flexibility and improved options on payment of lump sum benefits.

Guernsey is authorised as a jurisdiction to establish QROPS and the Louvre Group now offers a number of solutions to take advantage of this new approach.





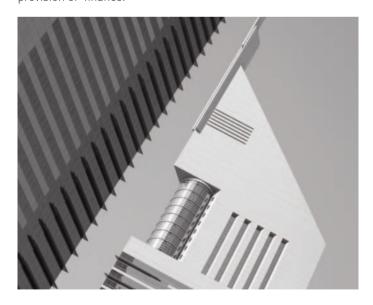
### **Enhancing wealth**

# Portfolio and property services

When you need advice on the choice of investment manager, Louvre Group can assist by suggesting a range of experienced firms, offering a variety of investment strategies.

Once appointed, the portfolio will be routinely monitored by us to ensure that the chosen firm is performing in accordance with your chosen strategy.

We also offer a bespoke property investment service, where we can assist in the acquisition of a portfolio of properties, establish holding companies, and arrange ongoing management and provision of finance.



Emirates Tower, Dubai

# Fund establishment and administration

Louvre Group has extensive expertise in the setting up and ongoing administration of investment funds in a number of international jurisdictions.

We use centres such as Guernsey, the Cayman Islands, the British Virgin Islands and Malta (EU) for the establishment of funds, but we can provide a single point of contact for you in your time zone.

We routinely deal with a wide range of investment strategies and fund types, working closely with fund managers to deliver a top quality and responsive service.

We work with you on legal and regulatory issues, including incorporation, authorisation or registration, stock exchange listing, drafting of key agreements and design of the fund's prospectus.

Our emphasis is on building up a personal relationship with clients, reinforced by high standards and a strong compliance culture.

### Distributing wealth

# Charitable and philanthropic structures

Increasingly, wealthy clients wish to distribute part of their wealth towards charitable or philanthropic causes.

Louvre Group can assist in the establishment of an appropriate structure for this purpose, which might include a trust or foundation, and charitable corporate vehicles. Working with your advisers we would seek to ensure that the desired vehicle is designed to take advantage of the generous tax treatment ofter available to such structures.

Thereafter, Louvre Group can work with you and your chosen trustees or advisers to ensure that your original charitable aims are properly carried out.

# UK wealth management solutions

Our London office can provide and manage a number of wealth management solutions for our discerning clients.

In addition to other services already mentioned, we offer estate planning services, including will writing and dealing with probate. Louvre Group can provide expert support and assistance to non-UK clients who have relatives in the UK and also where there are international or cross-border inheritance matters to be considered.

We also focus on bespoke investment products and services, targeting niche areas of the financial services market where investors do not currently have many freely-available choices of provider, placing emphasis on alternative asset classes including hedge funds, private equity, real estate and commodities.

In addition, Louvre Group undertakes the provision of financial advisory services to institutions and corporations to include corporate finance, capital raising and strategic advice, together with the provision of advisory and management services to offshore fund vehicles.



## Global coverage

With offices strategically located in key financial centres around the world, we are able to offer local skills backed by global expertise. Our valuable network of contacts is supported by our insistence on employing staff who are fluent in the local language.

### **Guernsey**

The Channel Island of Guernsey has earned a reputation as a leading and well-respected finance centre. It combines robust regulation with an innovative approach, a modern legislative framework and in-depth commercial knowledge and experience.

Guernsey is the hub of our international network and the base for two key companies: Louvre Trust (Guernsey) Limited and Louvre Fund Management Limited.

Louvre Trust (Guernsey) Limited provides trust and company management services and operates a suite of Pension Plans. It is licensed as a fiduciary by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

Louvre Fund Management Limited provides fund administration services to Guernsey authorised and regulated funds, as well as to funds based in other jurisdictions. It is licensed as an investment firm by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

### **Switzerland**

Louvre Trust (Suisse) Sàrl is our local subsidiary, with its offices in the major centre of Geneva.

Switzerland is particularly popular for its range of financial services, its international outlook and its political stability. Our local team can call on a wide range of professional firms in designing wealth management solutions.

Louvre Trust (Suisse) Sàrl specialises in trusts, international companies, foundations and swiss general and limited partnerships.

### **United Kingdom**

The United Kingdom provides an easy access point for our clients to meet our international staff. It is also the home to Louvre Wealth Management Limited and Louvre Trust Corporation (UK) Limited.

Our group probate services are provided through Louvre Trust Corporation (UK) Limited. Although based in London, our staff travel extensively throughout the UK to meet clients and administer estates.









Guernsey, Geneva, London and Cayman Islands



### Global coverage cont.

#### Dubai

The city of Dubai sits at the heart of economic development in the United Arab Emirates and has a strategic location between the finance centres of Europe and Asia. With an ultra modern, sophisticated business infrastructure, political stability, zero percent tax rates, and a network of double tax treaties, Dubai was an automatic choice for the Middle East office of an international fiduciary such as the Louvre Group.

Louvre Middle East JLT provides its international corporate and private client base with a broad selection of wealth management solutions. The team has access to a select local network of professionals to assist with the establishment of trusts, companies and funds, including Shari'ah-compliant investment vehicles.

### **British Virgin Islands**

Well established as a company and fund centre, this self-governing British Dependent Territory has built a solid reputation, and has recently modernised significant parts of it's legislative framework.

We use the BVI primarily for company incorporations and for specialist professional offshore funds. Our local subsidiary is Louvre Group Caribbean Limited.

### **Cayman Islands**

Louvre Group (Cayman) Limited is our local subsidiary. Another well established Caribbean centre, the Cayman Islands have proved particularly popular for international funds.

### **Hong Kong**

Recent developments have concentrated on the huge capital flows into and out of mainland China, but Hong Kong remains one of the key financial centres for the Asian sub-continent.

Louvre Fiduciary (Hong Kong) Limited offers corporate advice and administration, while acting as a gateway to the rest of the Louvre Group, offering international trust, corporate and fund services, but with a local point of contact.

In addition, the Hong Kong office provides a central role in the establishment and ongoing administration of structures for Asian clients looking to emigrate to and invest in high tax jurisdictions, such as the USA, Canada, UK, Australia and New Zealand. It also provides a platform from which to service clients in the Asia Pacific region, whilst working closely with business partners in centres such as Singapore for clients specifically in South East Asia.



Bank of China, Hong Kong

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