

Representative Offices

A foreign company may set up a representative office in Lebanon. In order to do so, the foreign company must appoint a manager for the representative office with full power to legally represent and manage the representative office.

The application for the registration of the representative office must be made in Arabic to the Companies Office at the Ministry of Economy and Trade.

The application to the Ministry of Economy and Trade must be accompanied by the following documents:

1. Legalized copy of the articles of incorporation of the parent company
2. Legalized decision of the proper corporate authority authorizing the opening of the representative office and appointing its manager.
3. Legalized Power of Attorney granting the appointed manager full authority to manage the representative office
4. Legalized Power of Attorney empowering a local attorney to apply for the registration of the representative office

A representative office of a foreign company established in Lebanon is subject to the Lebanese laws and regulations such as labor, social security and VAT law.