

PRACTICE PROFILE

Definition of Consultancy

Makiya Associates is an international Arab architectural and planning consultancy specialising in environmental and urban design issues in the Arab-Islamic countries of the Middle East.

Establishment and Development of Practice

Originally established in 1946 in **Baghdad** by Dr Mohammed S. Makiya the consultancy expanded to the Gulf in 1967 with the setting up of an office in **Bahrain** and later extending to **Muscat** in 1971, **London** in 1974, and **Doha** and **Dubai** in 1975. The Head Office for the Consultancy has been established in the **Channel Islands**.

Associate offices have been set up in **Kuwait, Abu Dhabi**, and in **Tunis** for the purpose of joint ventures, and site supervision.

The Gulf offices and their Associates control Design and Project Management with the emphasis on implementation, site survey, client liaison, and supervision of projects on site.

The London office is the centre for Research, Design and Technical Co-ordination.

Research data accumulated from over four decades of study and practice in the region has been assembled into a library that serves as a source of further research and as a rich source of design inspiration. This encompasses the fields of regional and local survey; measured work, photography and documentation of historic buildings; traditional architectural detailing and the applied arts; regional urbanism and environmental character.