

# Rathbone Trust Company (BVI) Limited

Rathbone Trust Company (BVI) Limited is based in Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, and is a fully licensed Trust Company under the Banks and Trust Companies Act 1990. Our staff are highly experienced and their professional knowledge and experience equip them to make the commercial and financial judgements which are so important in trusteeship and company management.

Rathbone Trust Company (BVI) Limited and its subsidiary, Rathbone Trustees Limited, provide trustee services and advise generally on matters relating to the establishment and ongoing administration of trusts, in conjunction with other group member companies in Geneva, London and Jersey.

BVI Trust Law provides a comprehensive, flexible and up-to-date legal environment for the establishment and use of trusts in a variety of circumstances. Rathbones can advise on the type of trust most appropriate to suit our clients' objectives and provide efficient and full trustee services, including ongoing administration of trusts. Rathbones can work closely with other professional advisors recommended by our clients and where required will provide background information on the legal nature of the trust relationship.

The main services provided by Rathbone Trust Company (BVI) Limited are as follows:

#### Trust Services

- Trust creation
- Trust administration
- Provision of trustees

#### Company Services

- Company formation
- Provision of directors
- Company administration
- Provision of nominee shareholders
- Provision of registered agent/registered office facilities
- Provision of safe custody services
- Arranging the opening of bank accounts and provision of signatures to said bank accounts

#### Commercial Services

- Preparation of commercial invoices
- Opening of documentary credits and collections

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## Mutual Funds

The Mutual Funds Act 1996, came into force on January 2 1998, and regulates all mutual funds activities in or from the territory of the BVI. The flexible and innovative legislation sets quality benchmarks protecting the interests of investors, finance firms and the jurisdiction. With more than 2000 mutual funds, worth an estimated US\$55 billion, currently incorporated in the BVI, this legislation has enhanced the benefits to multinational companies and established the BVI as a reputable and cost effective location for international finance.

Rathbone Fund Services Limited (RFSL) is licensed under the Mutual Funds Act, 1996, to provide administrative and management services to mutual fund companies. RFSL can offer advice on the various types of fund licence available and the legislative requirements in respect of those licences. RFSL can also file the necessary application on behalf of its clients, and act as a liaison between the mutual fund regulator and the client. Corporate directorships and nominee shareholders may also be provided by RFSL.

## How to contact us

For further information on the services that we provide, or to arrange a meeting to discuss your requirements further please contact: Cornel Baptiste, Managing Director, Tel +1 284 494 6544  
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Rathbones will work closely with the client's professional advisors and promoters in setting up the fund and will administer the fund in a professional manner, ensuring compliance with the Mutual Funds Act. Some of the functions include:

- Maintaining share registers
- Processing share subscriptions and share redemptions
- Communicating with shareholders
- Liaising with the auditors, lawyers and other professional advisors
- Organising directors and shareholders meetings

## Registration of Vessels

Rathbone Trust Company (BVI) offers a full service in yacht registration. This includes checking the availability of a name, to finally obtaining the Blue Registration Book. Rathbones has the requisite staff and experience to offer quality service to ship/yacht-owners in order to obtain registration of the vessel at the Shipping Registry.

The key functions Rathbones offers include:

- Arranging the application of the yacht registration
- Arranging the yacht survey.

## Banking Services

Rathbone Bank (BVI) Limited holds a Restricted Class 1 Bank Licence under the Banks and Trust Companies Act, 1990. The Bank is wholly owned within the publicly quoted Rathbone Brothers Plc, and is licensed to provide a range of banking and treasury services to individuals and corporations worldwide. It complements the comprehensive trust and investment management facilities offered by Rathbones in the United Kingdom, the British Virgin Islands, Jersey and Switzerland.

The banking services provided include:

- Currency accounts
- Currency treasury deposits
- International money transmission
- Loans in major currencies
- Foreign exchange