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China and Saudi Arabia are entering a fast-deepening partnership. With Vision 2030 aligning with China's Belt & Road Initiative, opportunities in infrastructure, technology, energy, and capital are growing rapidly.

Chinese companies are emerging as key partners in building smart cities, advancing manufacturing, modernising transport, and driving digital infrastructure projects that will shape the Kingdom's future economy. Navigating these dynamic markets requires more than technical advice, it requires insight, relationships, and trust. That is where our China Desk comes in.

What the Desk Represents

A dedicated platform within Aldar Audit Bureau, Grant Thornton, the China Desk bridges cultural, regulatory, and business gaps between Saudi Arabia and China. Our team combines local expertise with global reach to ensure cross-border opportunities are captured efficiently, transparently, and with lasting impact.

Value to Clients

Local roots, global vision:

Deep understanding of Saudi regulations and Chinese business practices.

Cultural fluency:

Expertise in negotiation, etiquette, and decision-making across both markets.

Strategic connectivity:

Access to key networks in Riyadh, Beijing, Shanghai, and beyond.

Confidence in execution:

Strategies aligned with national priorities, ensuring projects succeed.

Our Services

Market Entry & Expansion:

Guidance for Chinese enterprises entering Saudi Arabia, including company structuring, MISA licensing, local content requirements, and regulatory compliance.

Tax & Regulatory Advisory:

Expert advice on ZATCA, GOSI, VAT, and customs rules for smooth cross-border operations.

Audit & Assurance:

Independent assurance tailored to international investors, ensuring transparency and compliance with Saudi and global standards.

Deal Advisory:

Support with joint ventures, M&A, valuations, and due diligence to enable successful partnerships between Chinese and Saudi firms.

Sector Insights:

Specialist knowledge in energy, infrastructure, technology, and financial services—the core sectors driving China–Saudi collaboration.

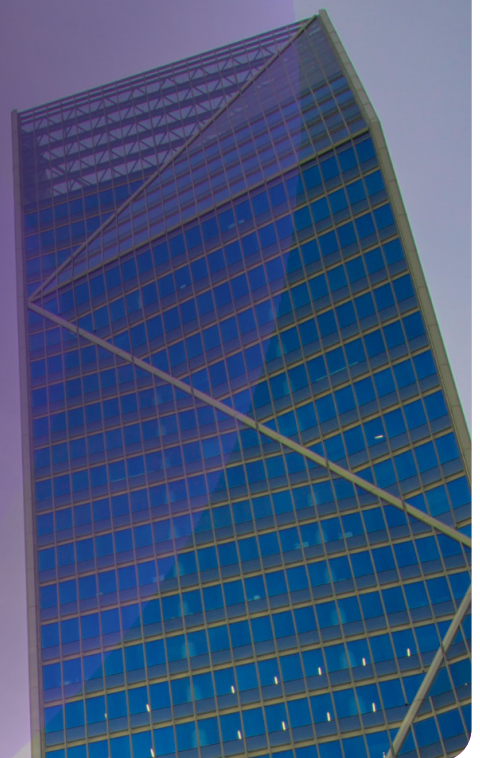
Cultural & Language Support:

Trilingual team fluent in Mandarin, Arabic, and English, ensuring accurate communication and relationships built on trust.

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Connecting China and Saudi Arabia through knowledge, relationships, and a shared vision for growth.”

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We are where you need us in Saudi Arabia and beyond.

Beyond Saudi Arabia, we are part of Grant Thornton International, a global network of 80,000 professionals across more than 156 countries. Together, we share a single purpose: to help dynamic organisations realise their ambitions, wherever opportunity takes them.

By combining global reach with deep local knowledge, we support clients as they expand across markets, enhance operational efficiency, navigate complex risks and regulations,

and create sustainable stakeholder value. Through our assurance, tax, and advisory services, we deliver the insight and expertise needed to turn vision into measurable success.

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Percentage of Fortune 500 companies served by Grant Thornton member firms regionally



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Global

People
80,000

Offices
700+

Markets
156

KSA

People
250+

Years
40+

Offices
3



America	Africa	Europe	Middle East	CIS	Asia Pacific
44 markets	22 markets	46 markets	10 markets	8 markets	20 markets
20,200+ people	3,000+ people	22,400+ people	1,500+ people	690+ people	24,900+ people

Contact our China Desk Lead: Li Nannan

Nannan is a corporate banking professional with over 15 years of experience at the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), specialising in cross-border transactions, credit analysis and corporate financial services. Having spent five years based in Riyadh, she brings extensive knowledge of Chinese enterprises' business priorities alongside a strong understanding of Saudi Arabia's local market.

As part of our China Desk, Nannan plays a key role in strengthening relationships with Chinese enterprises, acting as a bridge between clients and our local professional teams to facilitate seamless access to market-entry support, audit, tax and deal advisory services. Her combined financial expertise and cross-cultural understanding enable her to support Chinese businesses navigating the Kingdom's regulatory and commercial landscape while fostering trusted, long-term client relationships.



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