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James Savastano is responsible for leading and managing the strategic direction of Lord Abbett's Middle East Institutional and Distribution businesses in the region. Based out of our Dubai office, he works closely with SWF's, pension funds, endowments and GFI's to deepen and broaden our key relationships across the Middle East.

Mr. Savastano joined Lord Abbett in 2021. Prior to his current role, he served as Vice President, Institutional at Lazard and Country Manager, Asia at Royal London. He has worked in the financial services industry since 2014.

He earned a BA in Business from the University of South Wales and is a Chartered Member of the CISI. He also holds the IMC from CFA UK and is a member of CFA Institute and CFA society Emirates. In addition, he is a holder of the Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA) designation.