



GERMAN REAL ESTATE ENTREPRENEUR THOMAS KRAMER ENVISION CONTINUOUS GROWTH FOR UAE

THE Dubai resident and self-made millionaire speaks to **Tomer Ben**, Arabisk Magazine Business Development Manager at *Dorchester Hotel Penthouse Pavilion Suite*.

It is extremely easy to understand when we met Thomas Kramer, why he has acquired massive wealth and near celebrity status. The beautifully tanned and well-groomed gentleman exude confidence, charm and a strong sense of humor non-can stay immune to. As he arrived he quickly exclaimed:

“ Of course I am early - I am German ! ”

Q: You own Five-Star Island in Miami and other prime real estates, how come you reside in Dubai?

A: I spend only a few weeks a year in Miami as I am tremendously happy in Dubai. I reside at the Address Downtown near the Dubai Mall which is great for business meetings. I think Dubai is the nicest place in the world to combine business and pleasure activities.

Q: Which kind of projects are you currently involved with?

A: For over 10 years I have been working in Dubai and Abu Dhabi with local partners developing very exciting projects. These days, we are building a new city outside of Karachi on 13 thousand acres which is roughly the size of Manhattan - this will be fantastic.

Q: UAE is very welcoming to foreigners, do you think that over a long-term period this policy will prove successful?

A: In the long run – No. UAE is the only place in the world where foreigners run the entire economy, almost 80%. Therefore this strength is also UAE's greatest weakness. Nevertheless, Dubai has no parallels in the world nor in history, It can only be compared to the Towers of Babylon.

Q: Do you have a message for Arabisk Magazine readers?

A: I hope that the Arab spring do not last like the historic European spring and I truthfully hope to maintain relationships with Arab individuals and communities worldwide and Inshallah work towards a prosperous future for all.

