

## BIOGRAPHY



### **Monika Krauss**

#### ***General Manager – KITAB***

Monika Krauss became the new General Manager of KITAB, the Frankfurt Book Fair's joint venture with the Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture and Heritage (ADACH), in May 2009. She joined KITAB following two years with the German publisher Prestel Verlag in Munich, where she worked as both an in-house lawyer and Personal Assistant to the Publisher.

Born in Derbendikhan, Iraq, Krauss lived in Nigeria, Algeria and Switzerland before settling in Germany, where she graduated from Munich Law School. Before joining Prestel Verlag, she worked 10 years for 'Children for a better world', a non-governmental organisation based in Munich. She is passionate about social responsibility; in particular, projects associated with 'special' needs children, and is keen to be involved in initiatives committed towards charity work.

Monika enjoys literature, travelling, culture and especially art. She brings huge enthusiasm to her new role in the UAE and looks forward to brushing up on her Arabic. She also speaks German, French, Spanish and English.

Monika has three daughters, who are studying in Germany and Scotland.

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