## **Announcement**



# Fahmi Alghussein appointed as new Qatar Chapter Head for Middle East Investor Relation Association

**Dubai, UAE. 05 February 2017.** The Middle East Investor Relations Association (MEIRA) has appointed Fahmi Alghussein, Chief Executive Officer at Amwal, as its new Qatar Chapter Head.

Fahmi Alghussein has over 25 years experience in asset management, investment banking and capital markets and is credited with contributing to the development of strong relationships with key financial organisations in Qatar. Under his leadership, Amwal has launched three new active equity mandates including Beit Al Mali Sharia Equities Fund, Al Hayer GCC Fund and Donner & Reuschel GCC UCITS Fund. Amwal is also currently working with the Qatar Stock Exchange, Doha Bank and The Group to launch an ETF passively tracking the QSE Benchmark Index.

Fahmi Alghussein has successfully executed several regional IPOs including Investcom, Hikma Pharmaceuticals, Nawras Oman, Emirates REIT and Depa, and secondary offerings for Commercial Bank of Qatar GDR and Bank Muscat.

According to Abdulaziz N. Al Emadi, Director of the Listing Department at Qatar Stock Exchange, "Fahmi will play a valuable role within his capacity to increase the activities of investor relations (IR) in Qatar, mainly with our listed companies. His proactive approach and continuous support of MEIRA will without a doubt contribute positively to the success of the MEIRA Qatar Chapter".

Fahmi Alghussein replaces Joe Maalouf who has been in charge of the MEIRA Qatar Chapter since 2013. Joe has finished his four years mandate with successful results in promoting IR best practice in Qatar. He will continue collaborating with the Association to enhance the IR activities in the MENA region.

"After an extensive selection process, we are delighted to announce Fahmi Alghussein as the new head of MEIRA's Qatar Chapter. With extensive cross-market experience and the crucially important investor perspective, Fahmi has already contributed to a number of local IR development initiatives. We look forward to his leadership in delivering MEIRA's objectives to continue developing the IR profession in Qatar, supporting more members and increasing professional development" said Alex MacDonald-Vitale, MEIRA Chairman.

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#### **About the Middle East Investor Relations Association**

The Middle East Investor Relations Association (MEIRA) is an independent non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the Investor Relations (IR) profession and industry standards in corporate governance. The mission of MEIRA is to enhance the reputation, efficiency and attractiveness of the Middle East capital markets.

This involves a commitment to fostering increased dialogue among its members and to encourage them to share and adopt best practice techniques within the field of IR. In partnership with stock exchanges, regulators and other market participants, MEIRA supports companies through its professional development and certification programmes as well as its membership community and network of country chapters.

MEIRA was founded on 1st of July 2008 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates by The Bank of New York Mellon and Thomson Reuters.