

'Old Markets Committee' discuss plans for Manama Souq

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The Old Markets Committee held a meeting at Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) to discuss the latest developments in the old Manama souq project.

Several topics were discussed on the occasion which included the grants provided and budget for the development of the souq, which will be presented to BCCI's Board of Directors. The discussion also focused on launching Manama Souq's website, installing signage boards and incubators for innovative crafts.

Headed by the Chief



The meeting was headed by Chief Executive Officer of BTEA Shaikh Khaled bin Humood Al Khalifa Executive Officer of the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA), Shaikh Khaled bin Humood Al Khalifa, the meeting was held in the presence of the First Deputy Chairman of the BCCI and Head of the Old Market Committee, Khalid Rashid Al Zayani, the

members of the Old Markets Committee.

"It is our pleasure to witness the joint cooperation between all concerned governmental

and private bodies in order to achieve the objectives of the project and its overall success," said CEO of BTEA, Shaikh Khaled bin Humood Al

Khalifa adding: "It is important that the project is executed based on best practices to enhance and position the Manama Souq as a significant touristic and commercial destination."

Further commenting on the meeting, the First Deputy Chairman of BCCI and Head of the Old Market Committee, Khalid Rashid Al Zayani, stressed that the government has taken great strides to revive the souq which is one of the most popular attractions in the Kingdom for shoppers looking for original and distinct products.

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Bahrain to host Hospitality and Restaurant expo



Officials during the press conference
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Bahrain is to host its first International Hospitality & Restaurant Expo which is scheduled to take place from 21st- 24th March 2018 at the Bahrain International Exhibition & Convention Center.

The Bahrain Hospitality and Restaurant (BHR) forum and expo; one of the most anticipated Hospitality & Restaurant Expo; BHR Expo 2018 is being held under the patronage of His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Ali Al Khalifa.

The event which is being organised by Culinaire & Beyond, Bahrain's very own home-grown Hospitality & Restaurant experts announced that the forum will be a catalyst to boost creativity and growth in the Hospitality & Restaurant sectors in Bahrain.

This initiative is an extension of the first initiative taken in May this year under the patronage of Shaikh Khaled Bin Humood Al Khalifa C.E.O. Bahrain Tourism & Exhibitions Center to add value to two sectors that require thought, time, and attention to be able to prosper. The Press Conference was

inaugurated by CEO Culinaire & Beyond Leena Ahmed al Mannai at the BCCI, Majlis hall yesterday where she shared a detailed review of BHRExpo2018.

The four-day Expo will begin with a Culinary tour organised by the official tour partners @Bahrain for International exhibitors and visitors to truly understand the flavours, culture and creativity of Bahrain.

The Forum which will take place on the 22nd of March which will also mark the beginning of the three-day International exhibition.

She further stated, "Great care has been taken in crafting a memorable experience for exhibitors and visitors, and the Exhibition also entails the first ever Regional Culinary competition managed in partnership with a world-renowned food expert Chef Rosario Scarpato."

"The culinary competition would attract emerging players of the hospitality industry (chefs in freestanding and hotel restaurants) in the GCC area and the BHRExpo 218 would be a fantastic opportunity to host an event of this stature in the Kingdom of Bahrain," said Rosario,

CEO of The I Factor a Hong Kong based company

Labour Fund Tamkeen took this opportunity to announce their strategic partnership with the BHRExpo2018.

Dr Ebrahim Mohammed Janahi Chief executive of Tamkeen stated, "Restaurant & Hospitality sectors in the Kingdom of Bahrain are very vital and promising. We are keen to see our impact on the growth of these sectors and we will continue supporting it through our wide range of support including financial and training solutions in addition to grants and advisory services"

Yousef Al Khan, Director of Marketing & Tourism Promotions at Bahrain Tourism & Exhibitions Authority told DT News, "The expo will provide a brilliant opportunity for local business to learn, network and add value to hospitality sector in the kingdom."

Mubarak Al-Moosa Facilitation Director BCCI mentioned that the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry were pleased to extend their support to Culinaire & Beyond for holding Bahrain Hospitality & Restaurants EXPO 2018.