

Dutch mission explores oil & gas business



Bahrain Netherlands Business Network 3rd anniversary cake cutting by Dawani, Dr. Dhafer, Ambassador Reintjes, Ambassador Potuyt, Jaap W. Vaandrager and Sander Vergroesen

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Dutch oil companies are exploring potential business opportunities in Bahrain with the hosting of their first Oil & Gas Trade Mission to Bahrain.

Executives from 17 Dutch Oil and Gas companies held talks with BAPCO, NOGA, Tatweer Petroleum, APM Terminals and the Bahrain EDB as part of the mission organised by the Association of Dutch Suppliers in the Oil & Gas Industry, the IRO, to enhance trade opportunities.

“For Dutch companies, this mission is a stepping stone towards connecting with the \$1.5 trillion GCC market. I hope that this mission will help further enhance the



The Netherlands Oil & Gas Trade Mission, with Potuyt – Netherlands Ambassador to Bahrain, Dr. Dhafer Alurran-Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jaap W. Vaandrager - Netherlands Honorary Consul and Sander Vergroesen – MD, IRO.

already strong ties between the two countries,” said Jaap W. Vaandrager, the Netherlands

Honorary Consul in Bahrain during a networking event organised to honour the

delegates.

Bahraini Oil Minister Mohammed bin Khalifa

Al Khalifa honoured the delegation with a surprise visit and stressed the importance of

continuing close links with the Dutch Oil and Gas world.

Frans Potuyt, the Netherlands Ambassador to Bahrain, wished the delegation success in Bahrain and congratulated the Bahrain Netherlands Business Network on its 3rd anniversary.

The Trade mission is backed by the Netherlands Embassy in Kuwait and the Netherlands Consulate in Bahrain.

Established nearly fifty years ago, the IRO (Association of Dutch Suppliers in the Oil & Gas Industry) is an independent non-profit organisation that supports and promotes the interests of its 450 member companies.

Say Bye to Polluted Air: VIN ReAir is here

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Bahrain-based VIN Technology Systems WLL yesterday announced signing a joint venture with an Italian company “ReAir” for the know-how and technology transfer to manufacture Photocatalytic materials and to distribute it to all the GCC and the neighbouring Arab region.

The product, according

to the company, uses a breakthrough environment-friendly technology capable of cleaning various surfaces including glass as well as air.

“ReAir” uses an active ingredient (titanium dioxide) which uses the energy from natural sunlight/ bulbs (UVA) to safely break down organic grime, odours, and pollutants. In the presence of UVA light,

the surface treated with VIN-ReAir keeps itself cleaner, resists fogging, and improves the air quality inside the cabin. One application reduces pet odours, smoke odours, food odours, and harmful VOCs for 2-4 months,” the statement said.

Commenting on the launch,

ReAir -General Manager said studies have confirmed that indoor air is more polluted than the outdoor air and unfortunately the problem of indoor pollution is still unknown to most of the people. “Our product is a revolution and does wonders by converting Organic and

inorganic harmful VOCs. It’s proven in laboratories, real application in millions of square meters in buildings of Hospitals, hotels, schools, public transports etc.”

Cherian Varghese, co-founder and CEO of VIN Technology said he is amazed

at its 360-degree possibilities for keeping any type of surface clean, fresh & moreover it eliminates odour. “10 sq. meters of surface treated with VIN-REair is able of transform and purify 500 cubic meters of air every hour. In practice, an effect of equal to that of 3 medium grown trees.”



The deal signing ceremony



Officials posing for a group photo during the launch ceremony