



HM the King

HRH Prince Salman

Bahrain leadership greets Germany on Unity Day

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, sent cables of congratulations to President Frank-Walter Steinmeier of Germany, on the German Unity Day.

HM the King and HRH Prince Salman wished the president good health and happiness,

and further progress and prosperity to the people of Germany.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister sent a similar cable to the Chancellor of Germany, HE Olaf Scholz.

His Majesty received a cable of thanks from President Filipe Jacinto Nyusi of Mozambique, in reply to HM's congratulations on his country's Independence Day.

CBB pushes for women's presence in private sector

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Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB) Governor Rasheed Mohammed Al Maraj has issued provisions related to enhancing the representation of women on the boards of directors of joint stock companies listed on the Bahrain Stock Exchange by introducing amendments to the rules related to corporate governance within the chapter of supreme controls of the sixth directive volume issued by the bank.

It was in implementation of the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

These provisions stipulate the necessity of taking into account the representation of women when forming the

board of directors of listed joint stock companies and the disclosure of membership statistics classified by gender in their board of directors in the company's annual report.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce, Zayed bin Rashid Al-Zayani, also issued a decision to amend the provisions of the Corporate Governance and Management Charter, stipulating taking into account the representation of women in the formation of the board of directors of the public joint stock company.

The company shall also commit to disclose membership statistics on its board of directors within the company's annual corporate governance report and disaggregate this statistic by gender.

Ibn Khaldoun School greenhouse experience on Unesco homepage



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Education Minister Dr Majid bin Ali Al Nuaimi has praised the initiative of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) to display the greenhouse farming experience, implemented by the Ibn Khaldoun National School in Isa Town, on the homepage of its website. It is one of the distinguished projects implemented by the Unesco Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet) worldwide.

Dr Al Nuaimi, also Chairman of the Bahrain National Committee for Education, Sci-

ence and Culture, extended thanks to the school's Board of Trustees and president, as well as the administrative and teaching staff, for the efforts they are making to take care of environmental projects, contributing to achieving Unesco's goals related to sustainable development.

He underlined the ministry's keenness to support private schools and encourage their students to participate in various local and external events, wishing everyone continued success.

It aims to use the school facilities in preserving the environment.

Hotline set up to support poll candidates infected with virus

According to top election officials, poll candidates can file their nominations from Wednesday to Sunday

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A new hotline has been set up by the Elections Committee to support poll candidates infected with Covid-19.

The infected person who wishes to run for candidacy must contact the hotline 77277277 to book an appointment with the supervisory committee.

The nomination form for candidates is available on vote.bh.

According to Legislation and Legal Opinion Commission President and Election Executive Director Nawaf Abdullah Hamza, a special mechanism has also been developed to allow candidates infected with virus to exercise their constitutional right to run for election and to take precautionary measures in order to maintain the security and health of all.

"When a candidate arrives at the supervisory committee, he or she will be greeted by a committee member who will verify his or her identity. The candidate should submit the nomination form and the required documents, as well as pay the candidate fee, while the candidate is in the car," Mr Hamza said.

He urged citizens who want to run for elections to ensure they meet the requirements, noting that all required documents are available on the of-



Prospective candidate Hamid Samir Sultan speaks to the media at the Electoral Supervisory Committee office in the Capital Governorate

ficial election website, 'www.vote.bh'.

Mr Hamza pointed out that nomination application for membership of parliament and municipal councils should be submitted to the supervisory committees of each candidate, namely the Khawala Secondary Girls School for the Capital Governorate, Al Hidayah Al Khalifiya Secondary Boys' School for the Muharrag Government, the Yathreb Intermediate Girl's School for the Northern Governorate, and the Al-Mustaqbal Primary Girl's School for the Southern Government, from 5pm to 9pm during the nomination period.

He highlighted the commitment to uphold citizens' constitutional rights of choosing their representatives throughout the two decades since the launch of the first legislative term in 2002.

He stressed that the electoral process will be monitored and supervised by the judiciary throughout all its stages, to ensure transparency and the integrity of the elections. And that the higher committee will continue to cooperate with independent civil societies to monitor the electoral process.

Mr Hamza said those wishing to run for parliamentary elections should pay their candidacy fees BD200 at the Justice, Islamic Affairs and Endowments Ministry.

The BD50 fee for municipal elections may be paid at the candidate's municipality.

Candidates are also allowed to pay their fees at their relevant supervisory committees while submitting their nomination application.

The candidate lists will be



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displayed for three days, from October 10 to 12, during which time potential candidates can challenge the supervisory committees' decisions. The committees must issue their final decisions by October 15, which can be challenged in court no later than October 18, and court rulings must be issued by October 25.

The final list of candidates will be announced on October 26. The total number of voters will be disclosed on Thursday.

LuLu Exchange Bahrain to celebrate nine years of serving the country!

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Incepted in the year 2013, LuLu Exchange Bahrain has now become an integral part of the country and its people's lives.

Through sheer dint of hard work, and excellent services, LuLu Exchange Bahrain has transformed into people's first choice for transactions. To serve the evolving needs of customers, the country operations later opened 16 branches in Bahrain, over the years.

Through unprecedented innovations and value additions, the LuLu Exchange Bahrain team has advanced and progressed at each stage. The company introduced the concept of Exclusive Relationship Management, a first-of-its-kind service for all the Super Elite and Elite set of customers, offering them warmth and one to one attention, with exciting value additions.

The Bahrain team incepted the LuLu Money App, which witnessed the highest digital remittance conversion penetration among all the other players in Bahrain's Exchange House Industry.

To encourage existing customers and bring in new customers, LuLu Exchange Bahrain



LuLu Exchange Bahrain celebrates years of achievements

introduced the Value-Added Loyalty Program for LuLu Money and Gold Card holders, with exciting offers on various categories.

In an effort to make cross-border remittances and currency exchange transactions seamless, LuLu Exchange introduced EazyPay and BenefitPay, both cutting-edge technologies which facilitate cashless settlement process for customers.

LuLu Exchange Bahrain launched a special initiative – The Digital Women drive, to empower women when it comes to choosing digital payment solutions and enabled them to find freedom in sending money.

To improve efficiency and productivity of the Bahraini staff, and thereby create vibrant future leaders for the country, LuLu Exchange implanted the

Future Leader Programme by aiding training program through internal and external facilitation.

To increase financial literacy and financial inclusion in the country, innovative initiatives were also incepted and carried out by the Bahrain team, witnessing superlative results over the years.

By supporting and coordinating social and cultural events in the country, LuLu Exchange Bahrain has effectively created a strong bond between the customers, employees, and the brand.

According to Mr Edison Fernandez, General Manager, LuLu Exchange Bahrain, "When the brand was incepted in Bahrain nine years ago, we aimed to become the one-stop solution for remittance, forex, and payment



solution needs, and we can say that we have achieved this goal today. Along the way, we have also focused on empowering the nation as a whole and supporting the country's people in realising their full potential. We look forward to maintaining our brand leadership and further enhancing the lives of Bahrainis and expatriates in the many years ahead and thank you all for your support and love throughout our journey."