

# Bapco Air Fueling Celebrates its **40th Anniversary**



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**B**apco Energies, the integrated group leading the energy transition in the Kingdom of Bahrain, recently celebrated the 40th anniversary of its portfolio company Bapco Air Fueling. This special event marked four decades of strategic contribution to the Kingdom's aviation infrastructure and national economy.

Bapco Air Fueling's journey has been guided by the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the vision of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and under the direction of His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Representative of His Majesty for Humanitarian Works and Youth Affairs and Chairman of Bapco Energies.

The celebration was held at the Awal Private Terminal in



the presence of His Excellency Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak bin Daina, Minister of Oil and Environment and Special Envoy for Climate Affairs. Senior officials from government entities, Bapco Energies, partner organizations, and representatives from Bahrain's aviation sector also attended.

The event highlighted Bapco Air Fueling's longstanding role in ensuring safe, reliable, and

uninterrupted aircraft fueling operations at Bahrain International Airport, reflecting the Company's commitment to international standards, operational excellence, and national service.

Bapco Air Fueling's history extends beyond its formal establishment in 1985, with aviation fueling activities dating back to 1932 through partnerships with global leaders bp and



Chevron. Today, Bapco Air Fueling continues to benefit from these strategic partnerships, strengthening governance, transferring best practices, and reinforcing its position as a world-class fueling operator.

Safety remains central to Bapco Air Fueling's operations, supported by certification to leading international standards including ISO 9001 and ISO 45001. The Company has imple-

mented several major infrastructure upgrades and continues to modernize its systems, including initiatives to digitalize refueling operations and enhance operational efficiency.

Bapco Air Fueling has prioritized national workforce development and the empowerment of Bahraini talent. The Company has achieved a 99% Bahraini workforce and has significantly increased female employment

across operational and technical roles, reflecting its commitment to inclusive growth and sustainable development.

Bapco Air Fueling's leadership team praised the dedication of its employees, whose professionalism and commitment remain fundamental to the Company's success and reputation over the past four decades.

Looking ahead, Bapco Air Fueling reiterated its commitment to supporting the growth of Bahrain's aviation sector, advancing sustainability initiatives, and contributing to the Kingdom's long-term strategic objectives as part of the wider Bapco Energies Group.

Bapco Energies extended its appreciation to the Ministry of Oil and Environment, the Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications, and strategic partners and stakeholders who have contributed to Bapco Air Fueling's success and development over the years.



## CFI Financial First Investment Platform in Bahrain to Integrate with eKey for Business (EKEY-B) Supported by Beyon Connect

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**B**eyon Connect, part of the Beyon Group, has announced that CFI Financial, a leading regional provider of online trading and investment services recently launched in Bahrain, has become the first investment platform in the Kingdom to go live with eKey for Business (EKEY-B), the national biometric digital identity and eKYC platform for the private sector.

Developed by Beyon Connect in collaboration with the Information & eGovernment Authority (IGA), EKEY-B is a core component of Bahrain's eKey 2.0 initiative, extending trusted, passwordless, and consent-based digital identity services to private sector organiza-



tions. Through this integration, CFI Financial now offers clients a fully digital onboarding journey, powered by secure 3D facial

biometrics. The process eliminates passwords, OTPs, and manual document uploads, providing a seamless and highly secure experience for new investors. By leveraging Bahrain's sovereign digital identity infrastructure, CFI ensures its services are not only user-friendly but also fully compliant with the Central Bank of Bahrain's KYC regulations and the Personal Data Protection Law (PDPL).

Christopher Hild, CEO of Beyon Connect, commented, "CFI's adoption of EKEY-B reflects the growing momentum behind Bahrain's digital identity ecosystem. It's a significant milestone, not only for CFI but for the investment sector as a whole. We are proud to support this forward-looking launch and wel-

come CFI to Bahrain's growing community of digital pioneers."

Yaseen Alsamerrai, CFI Country CEO Bahrain, commented, "We are thrilled to embrace eKey for business in partnership with Beyon Connect. This integration aligns perfectly with our mission to provide clients with a fast, secure, and intuitive trading experience, while supporting Bahrain's national vision for digital innovation."

The eKey for Business platform is delivered by Beyon Connect on behalf of the Information & eGovernment Authority (IGA). It forms part of Bahrain's broader eKey 2.0 initiative, a national strategy to extend trusted, consent-based digital identity solutions to both the public and private sectors.



Beyon Connect, part of the Beyon Group, is a leading provider of sovereign digital trust solutions in emerging markets. The company develops and operates national-scale platforms including OneID (digital identity), OneBox (digital registered mail), and OneSign (digital signing). Beyon Connect is the developer of EKEY 2.0 and EKEY for Business, and the exclusive reseller of EKEY-B to the private sector in the Kingdom of Bahrain.