

The National Bank of Bahrain

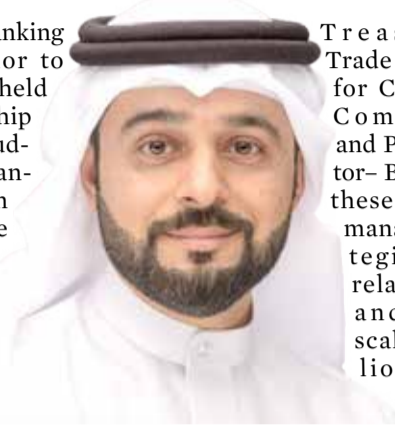
# NBB appoints **Mohamed Al Hammadi** as Group Head of Financial Institution & Transaction Banking Sales

Manama

The National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) has announced the appointment of Mohamed Ahmed Al Hammadi as Group Head of Financial Institution & Transaction Banking Sales.

Mohamed brings two decades of experience across the Middle East and GCC, with a proven record in leading institutional

and corporate banking operations. Prior to joining NBB, he held multiple leadership roles at Citi, including Head of Financial Institution Sales - Middle East, Pakistan, Jordan and Lebanon and Head of



Treasury & Trade Solutions for Corporate, Commercial and Public Sector- Bahrain. In these roles, he managed strategic client relationships and large-scale portfolios across

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financial institutions, public sector entities, and multinational corporations. Mohamed holds a Bache-

lor's Degree in Business Information Systems from the University of Bahrain, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration (Finance) from the University of Technology Bahrain.

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# Zeeba Askar Appointed New Chief Executive Officer of BAB

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The Board of Directors of the Bahrain Association of Banks (BAB) has announced the appointment of Mrs. Zeeba Askar as the new Chief Executive Officer of the Association.

Mr. Yasser Alsharifi, Chairman of BAB, extended his congratulations to Mrs. Askar on her new appointment, noting that the decision reflects the

Board's confidence in her extensive

Zeeba Askar



experience in the financial and banking sector.

"Mrs. Askar distinguished track record in driving strategic transformation and leading financial institutions and professional associations aligns closely with the Board's vision to appoint high-caliber professionals capable of advancing the Association's strategic direction and executive plans. The appointment also reinforces BAB's position as a key strategic partner to the Kingdom's banking sector and further amplifies the impact of its specialized initiatives and programmes," said Mr. Alsharifi.

The Chairman of BAB further affirmed



that Mrs. Askar brings a strategic outlook and a wealth of practical expertise that are vital for steering the Association into a new phase of development, one that prioritizes innovation in banking and aligns with evolving global financial trends and best practices, and added, "We are fully confident in Mrs. Askar's ability to play a pivotal role in executing the Association's ambitious strategy, which seeks to enhance competitiveness and sustainability across Bahrain's banking industry, address the imperatives of digital transformation, and support national efforts to strengthen Bahrain's position as a premier regional financial center."

Mr. Yasser Alsharifi, Chairman

# Bahrain Bourse welcomes Moscow Exchange delegates



Shaikh Khalifa bin Ebrahim Al-Khalifa, CEO of Bahrain Bourse recently welcomed a delegation from Moscow Exchange (MOEX), headed by Mr. Artem S. Zheleznov, Senior Managing Director, Head of Strategy, at MOEX. During the meeting, both parties discussed areas of mutual interest and explored potential collaboration between Bahrain Bourse and Moscow Exchange. They expressed their commitment to fostering stronger ties and enhancing cooperation with the aim of developing the capital markets.

The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company

# ASRY concludes 2025 HSE Week



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The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company (ASRY) has brought its 2025 Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Week to a close. Held from 11 to 13 August under the theme 'Elevating HSE Culture with Safe Summer', the three-day program drew wide participation from ASRY



and subcontractors' employees alongside representatives of relevant government bodies and industrial firms in the Kingdom.

The week opened with a formal ceremony attended by senior company officials and representatives of the Ministry of Labour, the Ministry of Interior, Bahrain Civil Defence, and the companies SULB and Foulath Holding.

The program then moved into a series of awareness campaigns. The first campaign, 'Safe Summer', featured specialist talks and practical activities on preventing heat stress and sound safety practice during the summer months.

The next campaign, 'Fire, workplace Safety and Security', offered a series of educational talks and practical workshops led by safety experts from several major industrial companies in Bahrain. It also included a guided tour of ASRY's workshops and

repair facilities, together with awareness sessions and engaging activities.

The closing campaign centered on waste management. The Supreme Council for Environment (SCE) delivered a focused presentation on environmental sustainability and environmentally friendly practices. ASRY's Quality and HSSE teams added detailed sessions covering advanced training topics and presented guidance aligned with the highest standards applied in Bahrain and in-

ternationally.

Commenting on the campaigns, Mr Mahmood Abdulaziz, ASRY's HSSE Manager, stressed the value of holding such events. They raise awareness across the workforce about taking preventive measures in everyday work and keep safety as a top priority for all. He added that ongoing open communication between management and employees helps ensure the objectives are achieved and sustained.