

Bahrain Islamic Bank celebrates ‘We Write in Arabic’ talents

Signing ceremony for second-edition publications held as part of Youth City 2030

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Bahrain Islamic Bank celebrated the winners and participants of the second edition of its “We Write in Arabic” initiative at a signing ceremony for the published winning literary works, held as part of the Youth City 2030 events.

The ceremony was held in the presence of Aymen bin Tawfiq Almoayed, Secretary-General of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, and Rawan bint Najeeb Tawfiqi, Minister of Youth Affairs, along with officials, writers and participating young talents.

The event marked a milestone for the initiative’s participants, whose literary works transformed from competition entries into published works carrying their names and reaching readers.

Almoayed praised the initiative as an investment in young people’s creative talents, noting its contribution to enriching Bahrain’s cultural scene and strengthening the presence of the Arabic language among younger generations.

He also commended the partnership with Bahrain Islamic



Bank and congratulated the winners and participants, encouraging them to continue developing their talents and contributing to the literary scene.

Tawfiqi highlighted Youth City 2030’s role as a national platform for nurturing young talent, saying the ceremony reflected efforts to help young people

turn their abilities into tangible achievements that enrich Bahrain’s cultural and creative landscape.

Fatima Al Alawi, Chief Executive Officer of Bahrain Islamic Bank, said the initiative’s impact goes beyond announcing the winners, as it gives young writers the opportunity to see

their ideas transformed into published works and provides their creative voices with a wider platform.

The bank said it will continue supporting young literary talents through the “We Write in Arabic” initiative, helping develop their abilities and expand the reach of their creative works.



Zain Bahrain Visits Youth City 2030



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Zain Bahrain’s management team recently visited Youth City 2030 at Exhibition World Bahrain (EWB), joined by representatives from the Ministry of Youth Affairs. During the visit, a tour of the event was conducted, providing an opportunity to explore the programs and initiatives offered to young participants.

As the main telecom partner of Youth City

2030, Zain Bahrain is supporting the event with internet services while continuing to empower young people with future-focused digital skills through the Zain Esports Academy, one of the flagship initiatives featured in its participation this year. The Academy provides practical programs in esports, game development, coding, and digital creativity, designed to strengthen innovation, teamwork, and strategic thinking.

Oil prices surge as geopolitical tensions tighten global supply

Global oil prices have climbed to multi-week highs as geopolitical tensions and supply disruptions fuel concerns over tighter crude markets.

Brent crude is trading around \$91.60 a barrel, while WTI is near \$85.67. Market volatility has been driven by uncertainty surrounding shipping through the Strait of Hormuz, regional tensions, and declining crude exports from major producers.

Concerns are also growing over falling global diesel and distillate inventories, which



could push fuel prices higher and add to inflationary pressures.

Traders are closely watching US crude inventory data and Federal Reserve signals for clues on whether oil prices will continue rising or face a pullback.

Al Salam Bank Partners with Hope Fund to Offer Employee Loyalty Rewards Program

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Al Salam Bank has announced its enrolment in the Employee Loyalty Rewards Programme, an initiative run by Hope Fund, in a move that underlines the Bank’s commitment to recognising its employees and building a motivating work environment that supports stability and a sense of belonging in the workplace.

The Bank’s participation in the programme reflects its appreciation of the pivotal role employees play in its ongoing success, and its interest in initiatives that celebrate their dedication and contribution towards achieving the Bank’s objectives. It also forms part of the Bank’s efforts to provide a positive work environment that reinforces employees’ sense of recognition and belonging, while encouraging excellence



and long-term commitment.

Through a transparent rewards mechanism, eligible full-time employees will be able to take part in monthly draws offering the chance to win a range of cash prizes, a move expected to boost job satisfaction, strengthen employee engagement and deepen their connection with the organisation.

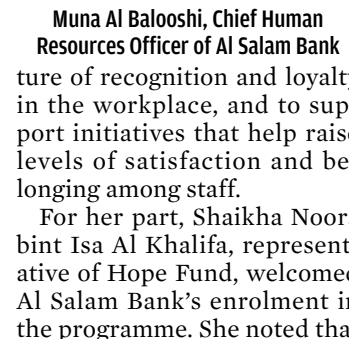
Commenting on the announcement, Muna Al Balooshi, Chief Human Resources Officer of Al Salam Bank said: “We are proud to join the Employee Loyalty Rewards Programme, which reflects our continued commitment to recognising our employees and valuing their efforts and dedication. We believe our people are the cornerstone

of the Bank’s success and sustained growth, and our participation in this programme underlines our commitment to building a corporate culture rooted in appreciation, engagement and excellence, further strengthening Al Salam Bank’s standing as an employer of choice in the Kingdom of Bahrain.”

She added that joining the programme is part of the Bank’s wider efforts to promote a cul-



Shaikha Noora bint Isa Al Khalifa, representative of Hope Fund



Muna Al Balooshi, Chief Human Resources Officer of Al Salam Bank

ing a culture that values dedication and continuity in the workplace.

The Employee Loyalty Rewards Programme honors employees for their years of service and contributions to the success of their organisations, helping organisations boost engagement and retain talent through incentive-based rewards. It offers monthly cash prizes to employees of participating entities, in addition to the National Grand Prize and the Bahraini Youth Reward.

This partnership reaffirms Al Salam Bank’s commitment to continued investment in its employees, and to developing initiatives that enhance their professional experience, recognise their contributions, and support a positive, sustainable work environment built on engagement, excellence and organisational loyalty.