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Participants during Bahrain Bourse's 3rd semi-annual brokers meeting at the Bourse's premises in the Bahrain Financial Harbour, yesterday. The meeting updated brokers on key developments at the Bourse including the newly proposed investor account opening process and the implementation of VAT on Bahrain Bourse's services, commencing on the 1st of July 2019

TRA's role in telecoms sector development praised

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The Telecommunications Regulatory Authority's (TRA) Board yesterday reviewed the progress of projects proposed in the Fourth National Telecommunications Plan (NTP4) including that of the realisation of the single fixed fibre National Broadband Network.

During their second meeting held at TRA's headquarters in the Seef District, the board of directors of TRA also reviewed latest market indicators, market review for international connectivity, the progress of spectrum and frequency distribution for launching 5G networks in the Kingdom.

Expressing appreciation of



The Telecommunications Regulatory Authority's (TRA) Board of Directors held their second meeting this year at TRA's headquarters in the Seef District

the progress achieved, the board hailed actions taken by TRA to rectify the telecoms towers situation in the Kingdom.

Moreover, the Board ex-

pressed their appreciation to TRA for its efforts in launching registration for Domain Names (.bh & البحرين) through several local and global channels.

Updates on SIM Card Registration Regulation and its progress indicators as to prepaid and postpaid registration were also reviewed.

BCCI seminar on "The Technical Regulations for Plastic Products"

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The Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) is holding an awareness-raising seminar on the technical regulations for plastic products.

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The seminar aims at raising the awareness of plastic manufacturers and suppliers of the technical regulations, and provide them with guidelines.

BCCI extends an invitation to the business community to attend the seminar.

Alba, GPIC win top RoSPA awards



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The Awards were presented during a ceremony under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

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Aluminium Bahrain (Alba) and the Gulf Petrochemical Industries Company (GPIC) won top awards

from the United Kingdom's Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).

The awards were presented during a ceremony under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and attended by RoSPA Vice President Lord Jordan of Bournville, dignitaries in the field of occupational safety and representatives of companies around the world.

Alba received the RoSPA Gold Medal Award 2019 in recognition of its out-



GPIC President Dr Abdulrahman Jawahery received the Awards for GPIC

standing practices to ensure a safe and healthy work environment. GPIC received two awards – one for its outstanding role in the field of safety and health and safety practices in the chemical industry and the RoSPA International Award for Excellence in Health and Safety.

The Gold Medal Award was received by Alba's Safety, Health & Environment Manager, Nezar Hameed during the ceremony held at ExCeL, London. President Dr Abdulrahman Jawahery received the Awards for GPIC.

On this occasion, Alba's Chief Execu-

tive Officer, Tim Murray, said: "We are honoured to receive this prestigious accolade, for the sixth year in a row. We look forward to keeping the Safety momentum as we are on course for Alba's transformation to be the largest smelter in the world with the full ramp-up of its Line 6 Expansion Project by 31 July 2019."

In a statement, Dr Jawahery expressed pride in the company's approach under the leadership of the Board of Directors, led by Dr Ahmed Al-Sharyan, especially about investing in human resources.

BCCI holds discussion on "Labour Market Challenges"

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The Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) is holding the final session of its focus-group discussion themed "Labour Market Challenges".

The event falls in line with the directives of His Royal Highness the Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa on empowering the private sector, and in a bid to conduct a comprehensive study on market challenges and propose solutions.

The meeting will be held on Thursday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in Al Majlis Hall of Bait Al Tijjar and will deliberate about the impact of flexi work permit and irreg-



BCCI, Bait Al Tijjar

ular workers on local businesses and the national economy. BCCI extended an invitation to its members to enrich the session with their valuable input.

NBK joins hands with ParkPass

ParkPass membership gives NBK customers access to multiple valet parking locations in Bahrain

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The National Bank of Kuwait (NBK) announced signing a partnership with ParkPass, Bahrain, to give its customers complimentary access to valet parking services in multiple locations in Bahrain through ParkPass membership.

Customers can now avail of this exclusive offer using their NBK Gold credit card.



From right, Ali Fardan, GM, NBK, Omar Al-Khan, Managing Partner, Park Pass

The membership gives access to multiple valet parking locations in Bahrain such as Bahrain City Centre, Seef Mall, Al A'ali Mall, Moda Mall, Oasis Mall Juffair, Galleria Mall, Bahrain Bay (The Park & The Wharf), Block 338 and King Hamad University Hospital.

"We are extremely happy to have entered this partnership with ParkPass and are hopeful that more and more people of Bahrain will start using our credit cards and benefit from our unique offers," stated Ali Fardan, General Manager, NBK.

"We are excited that the customers will benefit substantially from this tie-up", said Omar Al-Khan – Managing Partner of ParkPass.