

TRA continues partnership with **Youth City 2030**

To foster Bahraini youth skills and creativity

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The Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) concluded its sponsorship of Youth City 2030, organized by the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs. This collaboration reflects TRA's continued commitment to empowering Bahrain's youth with essential skills in creativity, media, and technology.

As part of this year's sponsorship, TRA supported a number of specialized training programs aimed at enhancing the digital and creative capabilities of young Bahrainis. These initiatives provided participants with valuable opportunities to gain practical knowledge, showcase their creativity, and deliver impactful content that contributed to their personal and professional growth.

Through these initiatives, TRA reaffirmed its role as a consistent supporter of Youth City and a partner in national



youth development. The programs provided youth from across Bahrain with practical knowledge, sharpened their creativity, and delivered im-

perfectful content that not only supported TRA's awareness efforts but also contributed to their personal and professional growth.

Commenting on the initiative, Mr. Philip Marnick, General Director of the TRA, said: "Empowering people to full participate in the digital economy

is a key priority for TRA. By sponsoring these courses at Youth City 2030, we are proud to provide young Bahrainis with opportunities to develop their

creativity, digital skills, and enhance their confidence. These talented young people are the future of our digital society, and we are committed to supporting them as they build the future."

Adding to this, Ms. Taiba AlBinali, Manager of Communications at TRA, stated: "Our participation in Youth City 2030 goes beyond sponsorship. It is about giving young people the platform to showcase their creativity and translate learning into real-world impact. The outcomes from these courses demonstrate the incredible potential of Bahrain's youth, and we are proud to have played a role in their journey."

Youth City 2030 remains one of Bahrain's most prominent youth development platforms, offering diverse programs that foster innovation, leadership, and practical skills. TRA's continued involvement highlights its role as a national enabler of digital transformation and youth empowerment.

Fed Governor says Trump has **no authority** to fire her

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Federal Reserve Governor Lisa Cook rejected US President Donald Trump's unprecedented bid to oust her on Tuesday, saying he had no legal authority for such an intervention against a member of the independent US central bank.

After calling for her resignation last week, Trump posted a letter on Monday evening to his Truth Social platform purporting to have fired Cook "effective immediately."

The decision cited allegations of false statements on her

mortgage agreements, claiming "there is sufficient cause to remove you from your position."

"I will not resign," said Cook, the first Black woman to serve on the central bank's board, in a statement shared with AFP by her attorney Abbe Lowell.

"President Trump purported to fire me 'for cause' when no cause exists under the law, and he has no authority to do so," she added.

Lowell pledged to "take whatever actions are needed to prevent his (Trump's) attempted illegal action."

The potential legal dispute

would be the latest test of presidential powers under Trump's new term, with the 79-year-old Republican -- backed by loyalists throughout the government -- forcefully moving to exert executive authority.

The Supreme Court's conservative majority recently allowed Trump to fire members of other independent government boards, but notably created a carveout for the Federal Reserve in its ruling.

Federal law says that Fed officials can only be removed for "cause," which could be interpreted to mean malfeasance or

dereliction of duty.

In his announcement that Cook would be removed, Trump pointed to a criminal referral dated August 15 from the Federal Housing Finance Agency's director -- a staunch ally of Trump -- to the US attorney general.

The referral, Trump said, provided "sufficient reason" to believe that Cook might have made "false statements" on one or more mortgage agree-

ments. One of the alleged false

statements was that Cook had claimed two primary residences, one in Michigan and another in Georgia.

Cook has not been charged with a crime and the alleged false statements

occurred before she was in her current position.

Earlier this month, Cook said in a statement that she had "no intention of being bullied to step down," but would take questions about her financial history seriously.

The Fed did not immediately respond to media queries.

In his letter Monday, Trump said: "At a minimum, the conduct at issue exhibits the sort of gross negligence in financial transactions that calls into question your competence and trustworthiness as a financial regulator."



Team Wajda honoured at Asian Arab **Business Awards 2025**

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Team Wajda, a leading provider of IT infrastructure solutions, has been awarded Best IT Infrastructure Support Company in the IT Category at the prestigious Asian Arab Business Awards 2025.

The award was presented to Mr. Mohammed Faisal Ikram, Director of Wajda Group, by Her Excellency Nancy Dinah Elly Khedouri, Member of the Shura Council, during an exclusive ceremony that brought together distinguished leaders and industry professionals from across the region.

This recognition underscores Wajda's unwavering commitment to excellence, innovation, and high-quality service in the IT sector across the Asian - Arab region. Under the strate-



gic leadership of Mr. M. Faisal Ikram, Wajda has consistently delivered cutting-edge infra-

structure solutions that empower organizations to enhance operational efficiency and digital

resilience.

Team Wajda expresses its heartfelt gratitude to its val-

ued clients, partners, and dedicated team members, whose continued support and collabor-

ation have been instrumental in achieving this significant milestone.

