

# Batelco by Beyon and Bahrain Chamber of Commerce & Industry sign MOU to Empower SMEs



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**B**atelco by Beyon and the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce & Industry have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen collaboration in support of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and enable their success within the Kingdom's rapidly evolving economy.

The agreement underscores the shared commitment of both organisations to enhance the competitiveness of SMEs, recognising their contribution as



The deal signing

drivers of national economic growth. Through this partnership, Batelco by Beyon and

Bahrain Chamber will work together to create an enabling environment that facilitates

wider adoption of connectivity solutions and expands opportunities for SMEs to thrive in an increasingly technology-driven marketplace.

Commenting on the signing, Maitham Abdulla, CEO of Batelco, said, "This MoU reflects our dedication to empowering the SME sector, which plays a central role in shaping the local business landscape. By equipping SMEs with reliable connectivity and advanced network services, we aim to strengthen their competitiveness and contribute to sustainable economic growth. Our partnership

reinforces our joint vision to support the Kingdom's development and nurture a resilient business ecosystem."

For his part, Atef Al-Khaja, CEO of the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, stated: "The Chamber welcomes this partnership with Batelco, as it aligns with its mission and strategic directions aimed at empowering and supporting businesses across various sectors. The Chamber pays special attention to small and medium-sized enterprises due to their vital role in enhancing the national economy and

driving growth. Through this partnership, the Chamber looks forward to expanding these institutions' access to advanced connectivity solutions, enabling them to adopt innovation and actively participate in the rapidly evolving business environment in the Kingdom."

The MoU reflects the close ties between Batelco by Beyon and Bahrain Chamber. Together, the organisations will explore initiatives designed to empower SMEs, reinforce Bahrain's innovation ecosystem, and contribute to the Kingdom's long-term economic development.

# BisB wins “Most Innovative Islamic Bank in Bahrain” for Tejoori Premium Product

Business Outlook 2025 Awards

● Fifth Award in 2025

● The recognition was granted in light of the Bank's pioneering product, Tejoori Premium

● Tejoori Premium embodies BisB's commitment to delivering a comprehensive banking experience

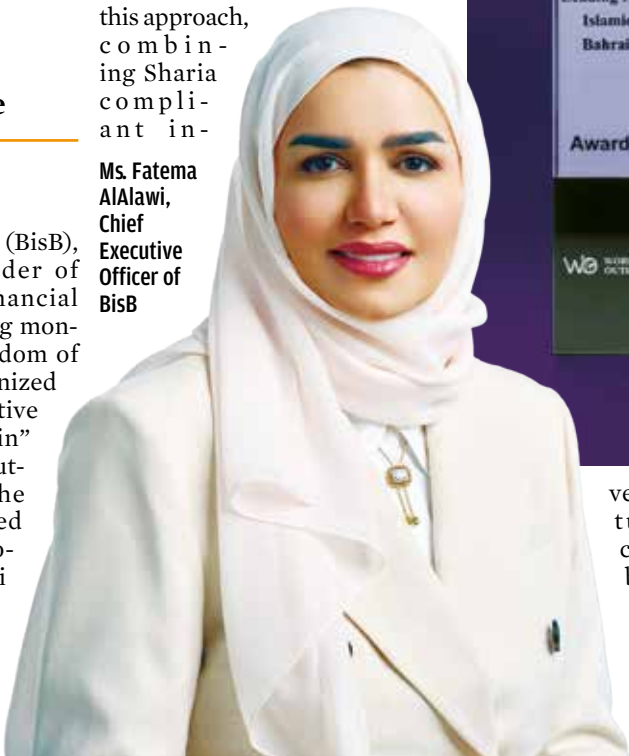
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**B**ahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), the leading provider of innovative Islamic financial solutions for simplifying money matters in the Kingdom of Bahrain, has been recognized with the “Most Innovative Islamic Bank in Bahrain” award at the Business Outlook 2025 Awards. The recognition was granted in light of the Bank's pioneering product, Tejoori Premium, which reflects BisB's ongoing commitment to delivering innovative and customer-centric banking solutions that meet

the evolving needs of its clients.

Ms. Fatema AlAlawi, Chief Executive Officer of BisB, stated, “This recognition marks a significant milestone in our journey of innovation within the Islamic banking sector. It reflects our ongoing commitment to developing advanced financial solutions that meet customer aspirations and keep pace with market evolution. ‘Tejoori Premium’ account is a tangible embodiment of this approach, combining Sharia compliant in-

Ms. Fatema AlAlawi, Chief Executive Officer of BisB



vestment opportunities with comprehensive banking benefits reinforcing the elevated level of service we provide and affirming our leadership in

delivering a flexible and distinguished banking experience.”

Among BisB's most notable offerings is Tejoori Premium, an elevated tier of its flagship Tejoori Al Islami savings programme. Designed for customers seeking high-yield Islamic investment options, the product is structured in line with

Sharia'a compliant principles to offer attractive returns while unlocking a suite of premium perks. These include eligibility for monthly prize draws, priority banking services, and seamless digital access.

Beyond the financial benefits, clients can also avail exclusive health insurance packages through GIG Takaful and property maintenance offers from iFix. Meanwhile, BisB's Visa Infinite credit card is offered free of charge to them.

Tejoori Premium embodies BisB's commitment to delivering a comprehensive banking experience that combines security with profitability. More than just a Sharia compliant savings solution, it offers customers exceptional benefits including rewarding investment opportunities, premium banking services, and a seamless digital experience empowering them to manage their finances with confidence and flexibility in a modern banking environment.

The Business Outlook Awards celebrate excellence across global financial institutions that demonstrate leadership in strategic innovation, sustainable growth, and digital transformation. BisB's recognition in this category positions it among the frontrunners of next-generation Islamic banking in the region.

**Armani's final collection to close Milan fashion shows**  
Milan, Italy

**G**iorgio Armani's final collection goes on show Sunday at Milan Fashion Week, originally intended as a 50th anniversary celebration for the Italian house, but now serving as a final tribute.

The legendary designer, who was head of a billion-dollar fashion empire, died this month aged 91.

Sunday evening's catwalk show had been planned as the crowning event of a year of celebrations of Armani's group. It was organised in the Pinacoteca di Brera, the art gallery where more than 120 of his creations have been displayed as part of an anniversary exhibition that opened this week.

The company decided both the exhibition and catwalk show would go ahead despite Armani's death, but Sunday's event is expected to be a sombre affair.

It is black tie, and will be followed by a visit around the exhibition, in which iconic outfits -- from red carpet gowns to Richard Gere's suit in “American Gigolo”, a film which helped make Armani famous -- have been placed in and around masterpieces of Italian Renaissance art. As a memory, guests were given with their invitations a white t-shirt with Armani's image printed on the front.