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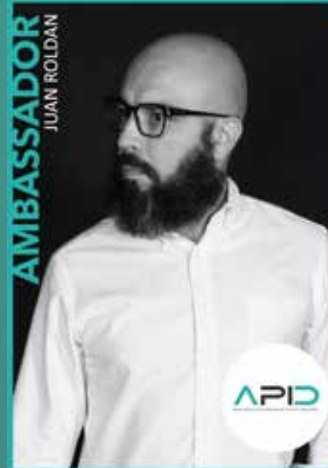
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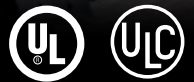
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A TIME TO DREAM

A belated happy and prosperous New Year!

And of course, being a New Year means that Expo 2020 is now next year. Like everything else in life it seems to be coming around very quickly, with time flying at its usual crazy pace. It is already having a very positive effect on the lives of the local population too; an excellent case-in-point being the 28 students from 16 universities across the UAE who have secured the funding and support needed to take their creative solutions to the next level, all thanks to Expo 2020 Dubai's innovation and partnership programme, 'Expo Live'.

The students, who will lead teams that add up to approximately 100 students overall, will receive grants of up to AED 50,000, as well as guidance and exposure, to progress their ideas, which include a mobility device that allows people of determination to use a single wheelchair for an entire airline journey; paper that uses sand from the UAE as a replacement for wood pulp; and an auditory mobile app that enhances a user's hearing capacity by sending vibrations to their brain. There is even a possibility that these inventions will be showcased at Expo 2020.

In excess of 500 student groups from 57 universities across the UAE submitted applications as part of what was the second cycle, with proposed solutions addressing at least one of Expo 2020's three key subthemes: Opportunity, Mobility and Sustainability. The 28 projects selected join the 19 groups that

secured support during the first cycle, meaning that Expo Live has now committed grants, guidance and exposure to 47 student teams from across the UAE, all of which are now looking to the future with real excitement.

Naturally, we all try to get into this 'positive' mode come the New Year, although personally I haven't made a New Year's resolution since I was about 12. I have always thought that much more important than setting a far off goal, like running a marathon, is to set an immediate plan that you can start right away. It's just as important to dream though. Sarah Ban Breathnach, best-selling author, philanthropist and public speaker, summed this up for me when she said: "New Year's Day. A fresh start. A new chapter in life waiting to be written. New questions to be asked, embraced, and loved. Answers to be discovered and then lived in this transformative year of delight and self-discovery. Today carve out a quiet interlude for yourself in which to dream, pen in hand. Only dreams give birth to change."

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GETTING TO KNOW PEYMAN MOHAJER...

PEYMAN MOHAJER, FOUNDER AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF WME CONSULTANTS

WITH OFFICES IN DUBAI, ABU DHABI, BANGALORE, SINGAPORE AND LONDON, WME CONSULTANTS IS RAPIDLY ESTABLISHING ITSELF AS AN INDUSTRY LEADER; AN INDEPENDENT MULTI-DISCIPLINARY CONSULTANCY PROVIDING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT.

We speak to the firm's founder and Managing Director, Peyman Mohajer, to discuss his background, business philosophy, objectives, and favourite projects.

Emirates Projects: Can you please tell us about your background; where were you educated and what was your first job?

Peyman Mohajer: I was educated in Brighton in England, attending the technical college there, and did a three-year Diploma in Building Studies. I then continued my higher education at Brighton University, doing a Bachelor Degree in Civil Engineering. That was followed by a Masters Degree in Structural Engineering at the City University of London. I then took up a job at Rotherham Borough Council as an Assistant Structural Engineer in the Building Control Department. After a year, I decided that I wanted to join a reputable consultancy firm to enhance my experience. I then joined Mouchel & Partners in West Byfleet, Surrey.

EP: What was your thinking behind founding WME and what were your objectives?

PM: I'd always wanted to start my own practice, but the opportunity only really presented itself after leaving Ramboll in 2010. I wanted to create an organisation where I could provide a unique and personal service

to clients who I had been serving over many years. My objectives were to establish a company that is all-inclusive and can offer unique and innovative solutions. To ensure quality I always believed in delivering a multi-



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disciplinary engineering practice in order to ensure proper coordination internally, and where engineers would collaborate to provide integrated solutions. At WME, we have an environment where there are no office politics and we all work together as one team, for the common good to be the employers of choice.

EP: What do you think your greatest achievement has been since you launched the company in 2010?

PM: To sustain the company with the size that it has become in spite of all the market challenges and to establish a global practice. To continue to support the WME community that we have created, which

many individuals and families have come to rely upon.

EP: Looking back, which projects are you most proud of and why?

PM: Every project that we do we give it our best and we want to be proud of it. I can mention a few: Fountain Views, SRG Tower, and the UAE Pavilion for Expo 2020 designed by Santiago Calatrava are our star projects and we are very proud of them. The fact that we are given the opportunity to work on some of these unique projects and challenges makes me extremely proud. I'm also happy that we started WME in Dubai, which I consider it as my home. It's an

eclectic city and we get a lot of exposure to international developers and architects; we push the boundaries here and the challenges are massive, but this is what we thrive on.

EP: How would you describe your business philosophy?

PM: To serve our clients with sincerity and provide the most efficient and innovative solution for their projects. Furthermore, ensuring the happiness of our employees by creating an environment where all can thrive and develop their strengths rather than be punished for their weaknesses. I am a big believer in empowerment, so when we find very talented staff we give them space to grow and thrive, whilst supporting them through mentoring.

EP: Do you have any mentors that you really look up to?

PM: I have had many mentors over the years. I read a lot of books from people like Stephen Covey and Richard Branson. I also look at my colleagues as mentors, working and learning from them every day.

EP: What are your interests outside of work and how do you relax?

PM: I love reading about current affairs and watching Premier League games with my sons. I spend my free time with my family, which gives me the greatest pleasure. I love travelling and enjoy meeting new people.



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EDIFY ENERGY'S DARLINGTON POINT SOLAR FARM SECURES APPROVAL

Australian renewables developer Edify Energy has secured an approval from the New South Wales Department of Planning and Environment for its new \$407million (\$294.4million) solar farm at Darlington Point near Griffith in New South Wales.

The Darlington Point site is located about 10kilometres south of the town of Darlington Point, in Western New South Wales, on land adjacent to TransGrid's Darlington Point substation at Donald Ross Drive.

It has been selected due to access to large areas of flat, open terrain historically used for grazing. The 975-hectare development site has the potential to accommodate up to 275MW of solar power generation.

The site also has provision, at a future date, of battery technology for energy storage and resupply during peak demand.

Resource assessments director Clay Preshaw said: "This is a multi-million project

that will power over 130,000 homes each year, boost the local economy, provide up to 300 jobs during and after construction, as well as increasing electricity capacity and helping to cut greenhouse emissions.

"The project has been assessed on its merits, under planning legislation and clear official policies to consider any potential benefits or impacts to the environment, the economy and the community."

Upon completion, the solar farm will produce enough power to supply more than 130,000 homes each year for a period of 30 years.

Furthermore, the project contributes to the Federal Government's mandated Renewable Energy Target, which requires 33TWh of electricity production from renewable sources by 2020.

"The NSW Large Scale Solar Guideline aims to provide clear and consistent guidance

to the community, applicants, industry and regulators on the environmental and social impacts of state significant solar energy projects, encouraging early and continued consultation, and suitable site selection.

"The new guideline reflects the NSW

Government's strong commitment to NSW'S booming solar energy market. To date, the NSW Government and independent regional planning panels have approved a total of 49 large-scale solar projects across the state."



CCCC CREATES A DIGITAL TWIN TO BUILD A NEW DIGITAL CITY IN CHINA 2020 AS MALAYSIA CITES HIGH COSTS

As part of a coordinated development plan, Zhongguancun will integrate the resources of Beijing, Tianjin, and Zhongguancun to build a new science and technology city. The CNY 2.2 billion project includes the design and construction of roads, utility pipelines, a 174,000-square-meter park, and green roadsides spanning 477,000 square metre. Given the large geographic span, wide construction area, and tight construction timeline, the overall project consultant CCCC Water Transportation Planning Design Institute (CCCC) implemented a collaborative BIM process to coordinate the many engineering disciplines to deliver the new digital city.

In keeping with the idea of a truly digital city that incorporates a municipality's needed services, the project scope encompasses a wide range of utility, transportation, and environmental disciplines. Included within the project scope is the construction of 16 roads with a length of approximately 30 kilometres; a layout of rain and sewage diversion pipelines with a length of approximately 78 kilometres; water supply pipelines with a length of approximately 40 kilometres; intermediate water pipelines with a length of approximately 26 kilometres; gas pipelines with a length of approximately 43 kilometres; thermal

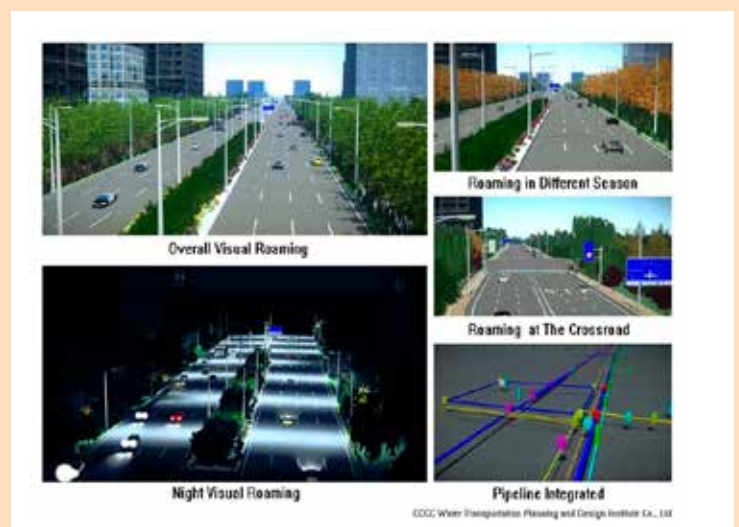
power pipelines with a length of approximately 40 kilometres; power pipelines with a length of approximately 45 kilometres; and telecommunication pipelines with a length of approximately 39 kilometres. Additionally, the project team is responsible for designing and constructing a city park with an area of approximately 174,000 square metres. The roadside will be green with an area of approximately 477,000 square metres, and the river and water environment will be comprehensively improved. CCCC acts as the overall consultant and implementer of the BIM process on this project. The organisation is responsible for the creation and application of BIM technology in the design, construction, and operation and maintenance of models in all stages. CCCC is responsible for setting up a BIM project management platform, building project digital assets, and assisting the construction of the regional smart park and smart city.

Using Bentley's integrated BIM applications, including ContextCapture, LumenRT, MicroStation, Navigator, OpenBridge Modeler, OpenRoads, ProjectWise, ProStructures the team generated a comprehensive 3D model of the entire city. CCCC identified and remedied more than 200 collision points, optimising design and reducing

costly rework. Performing construction simulation facilitated construction management, shortening the construction period by 64 days to save CNY 6.6 million in costs. ProjectWise provided a connected data environment to streamline workflows and improve design efficiency. Integrating ContextCapture to generate a reality mesh from UAV terrain data collected on site enabled the team to facilitate earthworks planning, saving approximately CNY 40 million.

Zhiqiang Lu, deputy chief engineer of CCCC Water Transportation Consultants

Co., Ltd., stated, "By using Bentley solutions, we realise the integrated BIM application in the construction of the project. We apply a brand-new working mode in realising the highly efficient collaboration and highly integrated sharing of information, resulting in all the project participants expressing our design ideas directly and efficiently, at the same time. We reach a target that all participants enhance professional service capability, digital management, and construction quality."



UK'S FIRST AND LONGEST MOTORWAY TO GET £900 MILLION TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE

Preston Bypass, the first and longest motorway in Britain, which has turned 60 and is now part of the M6, is set for a £900 million technology upgrade.

The eight-mile section of road had only two lanes in each direction at the time of inauguration and did not have safety barrier in the central reservation and no electronic signs or other technology.

The government said that this road will undergo a major technology transformation to improve journeys on the M6.

Highways England said that it will complete four upgrades on the M6 by spring 2022 to add extra lanes and better technology to 60 miles of the motorway between Coventry and Wigan.

The first upgrade between Crewe and Knutsford in Cheshire is due to be completed by spring 2019, and currently, 258 electronic signs, 104 traffic sensors and 70 CCTV cameras are being installed along the 20-mile route.

The four upgrades also involve converting the hard shoulder to a permanent extra lane to increase capacity by a third.

Highways England smart motorway director Andrew Jinks said: "The M6 provided a major economic boost to the country when it first opened 60 years ago and it still provides a vital link between London and Scotland through the West Midlands and North West.

"Hundreds of thousands of drivers now use the motorway every day to get to work, meet friends and family, or for long distance deliveries, and the smart motorway upgrades will ensure the M6 is fit for the future.

"Our motorways have changed massively over the past six decades and smart motorways could be just a glimpse of the technology transformation still to come. In 60 years' time, driverless vehicles could be as commonplace as a car radio."

The smart motorway technology will allow variable speed limits to be automatically set on overhead signs to improve the flow of traffic, preventing stop-start conditions and tailbacks caused by sudden braking.

The technology will be able to detect queuing traffic, breakdowns and collisions as they happen, allowing traffic officers and the emergency services to respond quickly to incidents.



SAPURA ENERGY SECURES \$417 MILLION ORDERS IN MEXICO AND MALAYSIA

Malaysian oil and gas services company Sapura Energy has secured contracts worth RM1.75 billion (\$417 million) for projects in Mexico and Malaysia.

The company has won a contract from Hokchi Energy for its wholly-owned subsidiary in Mexico to undertake offshore engineering, procurement, transportation, installation and pre-commissioning and commissioning (EPCIC) works in the Hokchi Field Development in the Gulf of Mexico.

The scope of work includes fabrication and installation of a central wellhead platform and a satellite platform, which will be connected to onshore processing facility Hokchi Paraiso.

Sapura Energy has also won a contract from ENI Mexico to undertake engineering, transport, construction, installation and pre-commissioning of sealine and onshore pipeline for the Offshore Block Area 1 in the Gulf of Mexico.

The scope of work includes fibre optic cabling, and transportation and installation of the Mizton wellhead platform at water depths of approximately 40 metres.

The company has also secured a five-year contract for the provision of pan Malaysia

underwater services under the Petroleum Arrangement Contractors (PAC).

The contract will be implemented by Sapura Energy's wholly-owned subsidiary, Sapura Subsea Services.

The PAC comprises Sarawak Shell and Sabah Shell Petroleum; Murphy Sarawak Oil and Murphy Sabah Oil; Repsol Oil & Gas Malaysia; and Kebabangan Petroleum.

Sapura Subsea Services will provide underwater services, which will include the utilisation of its vessels, air and saturation diving, and remotely operated vehicles.

The scope of work includes inspection, maintenance and repair works to support the PACs' underwater facilities located offshore in East Coast Malaysia.

In September 2018, Sapura Energy's wholly owned subsidiaries have won three new contracts and a contract extension worth RM815million (\$194million) in Australia, Brunei, Malaysia and Nigeria.

In Nigeria, Sapura Offshore won a sub-contract from Saidel to undertake engineering and construction of a 20kilometres, 16" Southern SWAMP Sales Gas Evacuation pipeline in the Delta Region for Shell Petroleum, Nigeria.

Sapura Fabrication has won a five-year contract to undertake the provision of pan Malaysia maintenance, construction and modification for ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Malaysia.

Work includes procurement and onshore pre-fabrication works, offshore maintenance, construction and modification to enhance ExxonMobil's facilities offshore peninsular Malaysia.

In Australia, Normand Sapura secured an award for the provision of the inspection and recovery of subsea structures for the East Spar Project in offshore Western Australia for Quadrant Energy.

In Brunei, Sapura Drilling has secured a contract extension for the provision of semi-submersible tender assisted drilling rig, Sapura Pelaut, for Brunei Shell Petroleum.



ARAMCO AWARDS BAKER HUGHES CONTRACT FOR OIL PRODUCTION BOOST

Saudi Aramco, the world's biggest oil producing company, awarded GE-owned oil services company Baker Hughes a contract to help boost oil production in new and existing conventional fields in the kingdom.

Aramco didn't disclose the value of the three-year contract, which will help the Saudi state-owned producer reduce time and costs at the project that will start this month, the company said in a statement on Tuesday. The contract includes the option of two one-year extensions.

"The contract further reinforces our integration efforts across conventional fields in Saudi Arabia, helping maintain capacity and meet domestic and global demand," said Mohammed Al Qahtani, Senior Vice President of upstream at Saudi Aramco.

Baker Hughes will invest as much as 1 billion Saudi Riyals (Dh980 million) in Saudi Arabia's oil and gas sector, the kingdom's investment authority said in September. The company won an

integrated services contract on the offshore Marjan field development from Aramco in September.

The project announced on Tuesday that it is expected to create more than 200 new engineering, field services and project management jobs, and indirectly supports an additional 300 existing jobs, which are all part of Aramco's In-Kingdom Total Value Add (IKTVA) initiative, which aims to localise industry in the kingdom.

Baker Hughes has over 1,350 Saudi suppliers in its supply chain and has helped create over 5,300 indirect jobs.

IKTVA, an Aramco programme launched in December 2015, requires all of its suppliers to aim to attain 70 per cent local production and export 30 per cent of locally manufactured energy goods and services output by 2021.

Aramco signed deals worth \$27.5 Billion (Dh101 billion) with international and local firms, as it pushed for greater value generation in its local economy at a forum

held in Dhahran last month.

Baker Hughes, Schlumberger, Honeywell, Siemens as well as the UAE's National Petroleum Construction Company are

among the 31 companies that signed preliminary agreements with the state producer.



ELAF GROUP ORGANISES INTERNATIONAL ROADSHOWS TO BOOST SAUDI ARABIA'S TOURISM

Elaf Group recently organised a series of promotional tours to several countries recently as part of its commitment to support Saudi Arabia's efforts to increase tourism in the country, which aims to attract more than 30 million pilgrims by 2030. During the tours, Elaf showcased a wide range of services and tourism programs especially in the field of tourism for religious purposes and highlighted the various tourism attractions in the Kingdom.

The group is set to launch new roadshow tours to Turkey, Egypt, Morocco and Indonesia to promote key services and tourism promotions including the world-class facilities, hotels and exclusive packages for tourists visiting Saudi Arabia for religious purposes. Organising roadshows periodically is part of the group's efforts to contribute to the growth of the Kingdom's tourism sector and establish it as among the most preferred destinations in the world.

"Elaf continues to create unique and innovative services for visitors in all its hotels in Saudi Arabia to ensure they have the most comfortable experience during their stay, provided with the finest services whether it is business tourism as well as during pilgrimages, facilitating their

performance of Hajj and Umrah and Umrah prayers." Mr Ziyad bin Mahfouz, CEO of Elaf Group, said.

"We constantly work on ways to develop and enhance the efficiency of the tourism sector in the Kingdom to enhance the services offered for tourists visiting for religious purposes as well as for business to advance the country's position on the global tourism map in line with Saudi Vision 2030. We are committed to supporting the government efforts to develop the tourism sector, drive economic diversification and move towards the post-oil economy. These roadshows provide the platform for Elaf to highlight the unique tourism features of the Kingdom." Bin Mahfouz concluded.

Through its innovative and pioneering business practices, Elaf has established its international presence through a network of branches across the Arab world as well as in the most important regions in Europe and the Far East hubs. The company benefits from its strategic partnerships with major airlines to ensure the comfort and satisfaction of its customers. Elaf plays an important role in supporting the tourism sector through its ambitious strategies and innovative plans that have made it one of the best companies in the tourism sector.



SAUDI ARABIA TO DEVELOP MARIB AIRPORT IN YEMEN

Saudi Arabia has announced a new airport development project in Yemen, which will accommodate two million travellers a year.

The Saudi Development and Reconstruction Program for Yemen (SDRPY) has announced that the airport in the historic city of Marib, east of the capital Sanaa, will be rebuilt.

The rebuilt airport will provide a critical infrastructure hub for the country and region.

Around 5,000 jobs are expected to be created during construction of the airport, 1,000 permanent jobs after construction and some 10,000 indirect jobs in ancillary sectors.

The work will be carried out by the same company that built and designed an airport in Chicago.

Saudi Arabia ambassador to Yemen and SDRPY Director Mohammed Al Jaber said: "This is an exciting project that gets to the heart of what Yemen needs right now in terms of employment and economic opportunities.

"Its proximity to the capital means it could also revive the efforts to join

the regions of al-Jawf, Shabwah and Hadramaut.

"This essential work, and many projects like it, can't wait – the people of Yemen need it now, even as we tirelessly strive for a political solution to the conflict."

SDRPY is also working on several projects in Yemen, including King Salman Educational and Medical City, Seiyun Hospital, al-Ghaydah Schools, al-Ghaydah Water Project, well-drilling

project, two power stations in Socotra, a kidney dialysis centre, petroleum derivatives project, residential complex project, border posts, national security and a counterterrorism centre.

Saudi Arabia has provided \$2 billion in monetary aid to Yemen's central bank to help bolster the country's currency a few months ago.

In October 2018, the first oil tanker arrived in Aden port carrying the first

instalment of oil derivatives, worth \$60 million to supply diesel and mazut to electrical power stations in Yemen as part of the SDRPY.

The Aden Refinery started distributing 62,000 tonnes of diesel and 25,000 tonnes of mazut to directorates, under the supervision of the legitimate Yemeni government to power electricity-generating plants 24 hours per day and benefit some 8.5 million Yemenis.



GALLERIA BY ELAF WINS 'LUXURY ARCHITECTURE DESIGN HOTEL' AT WORLD LUXURY HOTEL AWARDS 2018

The Elaf Group's Hotel Galleria has won the 'Luxury Architecture Design Hotel' of this year's edition of the World Luxury Hotel Awards, a premier global event recognizing luxury hotels for their world class facilities and service excellence provided to guests. The award further consolidates the Elaf Group's leading position across the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's thriving tourism segment and recognizes Hotel Galleria's continuing success in offering an elegant destination combined with key aesthetic elements and unique architectural features, resulting in a well-rounded and excellent experience for its visitors and guests.

Mr Ziyad bin Mahfouz, CEO, Elaf Group, explained that winning the 'Best Luxury Architectural Design' category has helped reinforce Hotel Galleria's success, further strengthening the hotel's strong

presence and reputation as an architectural masterpiece located in the heart of Jeddah. The hotel's elegant design was inspired by the 'Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II' in Milan, Italy, which successfully showcases high-end services that celebrate Saudi and Arabian traditions.

Bin Mahfouz expressed pride in the hotel's latest achievement, which demonstrates the global level of service being offered by the Elaf Group. He stressed that the win has inspired the group to continue in its journey towards excellence, especially in the provision of world-class services based on international standards of quality and efficiency, including best practices in hospitality and tourism. Bin Mahfouz noted that the Elaf Group continues to remain steadfast in its efforts to

promote the Kingdom as a highly attractive tourist destination on the global map.

Hotel Galleria is strategically located in the central area of Jeddah, close to some of the city's most famous tourist attractions and

heritage sites. The hotel offers a complete portfolio of state-of-the-art amenities and modern facilities, including 364 rooms spread across seven floors, providing guests with an unparalleled experience.



MARYAM ISLAND SET TO BOOST PROPERTY INVESTMENTS IN SHARJAH



Through its participation in Sharjah FDI Forum 2018 as an exhibitor and Platinum Sponsor, Eagle Hills Sharjah is set to present Maryam Island's premium lifestyle offering and lucrative investment opportunities, contributing to the rise of the property sector in Sharjah.

Under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Dr Sultan bin Muhammad Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah, During the event, Eagle Hills Sharjah will showcase Maryam Island's residential, hospitality, retail and lifestyle offerings to potential customers and investors from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Low Ping, CEO of Eagle Hills, said: "Eagle Hills Sharjah is committed to raising the profile of Sharjah's property investment market, and we are keen to engage in innovative ways to further promote the sector. Our strategic presence at Sharjah FDI Forum 2018 aims to shed light on the latest developments and the progress of our projects here in the Emirate, which have been attracting key investors from local, regional and international markets. We are confident that the forum will be an ideal venue to increase our market reach, while promoting Sharjah as an ideal residential and tourism destination."

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unparalleled views of the Arabian Gulf and Sharjah's downtown skyline. The masterplan promises a world-class urban lifestyle featuring residential apartments, retail outlets, four and five-star hotels, waterfront food and beverage outlets, as well as a Souq and various facilities such as a spa, a fitness club, a swimming pool, and a children's play area.

Sharjah FDI Forum aims to discuss future socio-economic developments in the Emirate and the rapid transformations in the global economy. The event will further explore the innovative solutions and technologies that could boost the Emirate's competitiveness and attract sustainable investments.

Eagle Hills Sharjah is a joint venture between Sharjah Investment and Development Authority (Shurooq) and Eagle Hills, an Abu Dhabi-based private real estate investment and development company. The company is developing three major projects in Sharjah; Maryam Island, Kalba Waterfront and Palace Al Khan, all of which are poised to further diversify Sharjah's economy and create new employment opportunities, as well as boost local and international tourism and investments in the Emirate.

FALCONCITY OF WONDERS RECOGNISED FOR VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO DIPMF'S CONTINUED SUCCESS

In recognition of its valuable contributions to the success of the 5th Dubai International Project Management Forum (DIPMF), which was recently held in Dubai, His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the Executive Council, honored Falconcity of Wonders LLC (FCW) during the Hamdan Bin Mohammed Award for Innovation in Project Management awards ceremony held on the last day of the Forum. Mr Mohammed Khalid Almoosa, Director at Falconcity, received the certificate of appreciation from His Highness Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum on behalf of His Excellency Salem Almoosa, Chairman and General Manager, Falconcity of Wonders LLC.

The recognition once again highlights FCW's contributions and efforts as a Platinum Sponsor of the region's largest

project management congregation. DIPMF this year was held under the theme 'Building Nations,' in line with the 'Year of Zayed,' a celebration of the life of the nation's founding father, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, whose values of humanity, integrity and determination have made the UAE one of the world's leading nations in several fields. The Forum gathers leading project management thought-leaders from around the world and prominent local experts in the field for in-depth discussions on the role of the discipline in advancing local, regional and global development.

His Excellency Salem Almoosa, said: "Our relentless efforts that contributed to the success of this year's Dubai International Project Management Forum reaffirm our keenness to nurture the emirate's growth aspirations through the integration of best global project management practices.

The success of the Forum inspires us to continue moving forward in this direction, with a clear focus on promoting innovation,

excellence and sustainability across key projects and sectors."



DSI SECURES AED600 MILLION REEM MALL MEP CONTRACT IN ABU DHABI

Drake & Scull International PJSC (DSI), a regional market leader in engineering and construction services, has announced that it has been appointed as the MEP contractor for the Reem Mall project, a new 2.8 million sq. ft. lifestyle, retail and entertainment destination, located in Abu Dhabi's prestigious Reem Island.

The Company has been awarded a AED600 million contract to execute the mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) works of the project under a joint venture agreement with Itinera-Ghantoot (the Main JV of the project).

Located in the heart of Reem Island, Reem Mall will host around 450 stores, featuring 85 food and beverage outlets and various family-friendly entertainment attractions, including Snow Park Abu Dhabi by Majid Al Futtaim.

The project is being developed by Al Farwaniya Property Developments, a partnership between Agility, its affiliate United Projects for Aviation Services Company (UPAC), and the National Real Estate Company (NREC). Itinera-Ghantoot JV, a joint venture between

Itinera, one of Italy's largest construction companies, and Ghantoot, one of UAE's leading builders is the lead contractor of the project.

The company is achieving progress on its ongoing comprehensive restructuring

efforts, and the restructuring committee has appointed international restructuring advisers, to initiate a comprehensive operational and financial plan to stabilise the business and support future growth. The company also aims to accelerate

bidding and secure carefully selected projects, predominantly in the UAE, with several fully financed projects in various stages of active bidding.





DUBAI'S NEW CENTRAL OASIS, DUBAI HILLS PARK CELEBRATES COMMUNITY LIVING WITH RICH LIFESTYLE CHOICES

Dubai will soon be home to the meticulously designed Dubai Hills Park, one of the nation's most beautiful outdoor destinations in Dubai Hills Estate.

Located at the crossroads of Al Khail and Umm Suqeim Roads, Dubai Hills Estate is one of the largest master-planned communities in the city offering breathtaking views of the iconic Dubai skyline, in addition to Dubai Hills Park, mall, golf course and other lifestyle amenities. Several residential projects are available for investors, with a projected strong return on investment. Tenants, on the other hand, will benefit from a laidback lifestyle in the heart of the city.

Only 15 minutes from Downtown Dubai, apartments near Dubai Hills Park will be ready to welcome their first residents in early 2019. The park will further improve

their quality of living with its assortment of activities that promote wellness and a healthy outdoor lifestyle.

According to the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) in London, apartments next to or very near to a public park are proven to sell for as much as 19 per cent more than the same type of property in another location. This further positions Dubai Hills Estate as a prime investment opportunity.

As a sheltered, green oasis that celebrates community life, Dubai Hills Park will be a vibrant new outdoor lifestyle hub delighting residents of Dubai Hills Estate and their guests. There is a strong positive correlation between green spaces and improved levels of mental health. The University of Exeter's Medical School has proven a long-term positive impact that

frequent visits to parks and gardens can have on urbanites.

Dubai Hills Park has a size of roughly 180,000 square metres – four times the size of Place de l'Étoile in Paris. Residents of Dubai Hills Estate will be assured a relaxing getaway just minutes away from their home and the Dubai Hills Mall with over 650 retail, entertainment and dining outlets.

Drawing on the local culture and the region's natural landscape, Dubai Hills Park will have many exceptional and innovative features including an urban beach and splash park, skate park, 2.5 km jogging park, a café pavilion, and a dog park, to name a few. Weekend markets will promote community engagement and local enterprise.

The UAE's first beach-in-a-park has a sandy shored pool, a state-of-the-art

splash pad, and a picnic area for families to relax while children play. Visitors to Dubai Hills Park can run, cycle, play, take a walk through the park's lush landscape, or just kick back and relax in the open spaces.

Fitness enthusiasts can hit the 2.5 km jogging track, skate park or the Dubai Hills Golf Club's 18-hole Championship golf course with world-class golf facilities. Dubai Hills Park will also serve as the finest events destination hosting ongoing seasonal events with three large events lawns.

For more information, visit the Dubai Hills Estate Sales Pavilion on Umm Suqeim Road; Creek Harbour Sales Centre in Ras Al Khori; and the Abu Dhabi sales centre on the ground floor of Al Nahda Tower on 4th Street, Al Muroor Road.

DUBAI MARITIME CITY AUTHORITY MOVES TO MAKE BIENNIAL UAE MARITIME WEEK INTO AN ANNUAL EVENT

As part of its efforts to promote Dubai's leading maritime experience at the regional and global levels, the Dubai Maritime City Authority (DMCA) has announced that the originally biennial UAE Maritime Week will now become an annual event following this year's edition, which is being held under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the Executive Council.

The UAE Maritime Week was launched to help bridge communication gaps in the global maritime industry and explore the future of the maritime sector from a perspective of innovation, knowledge, and smart transformation.

The DMCA has already begun its preparations for the 2019 edition of the UAE Maritime Week, which has been instrumental in attracting huge investments to the local maritime sector.

H.E. Sultan Ahmed bin Sulayem, Chairman of DP World and Chairman of Ports, Customs and Free Zone Corporation in Dubai, said: "The decision to organise the UAE Maritime Week every year instead of every two years represents an important step towards promoting Dubai and the UAE's successful maritime experience on the global stage. The decision was reached amid the demand to make it a yearly gathering given its strategic role in the global maritime industry."

"We look forward to hosting the UAE Maritime Week annually in a strong push towards unifying international efforts for the maritime industry's advancement. We will base our efforts on clear mechanisms to stimulate maritime innovation, enhance human investment, develop infrastructure, strengthen legislative and legal systems, and keep up with the rapid technological developments in the 21st century."







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ROBERTO'S – FINE DINING IN ELEGANTLY DESIGNED SURROUNDINGS

DRAW LINK GROUP, AN ARCHITECTURAL, INTERIOR DESIGN AND FIT-OUT COMPANY, OFFERS COMPREHENSIVE, PERSONALISED AND BESPOKE SERVICES, WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH CLIENTS, CONSULTANTS, CONTRACTORS AND END-USERS TO DEVELOP HOSPITALITY PROJECTS THAT ARE BEAUTIFUL INSIDE AND OUT.

Established in 2006 and based in Dubai, the firm provides a full interior design service from concept through to completion, capturing the aspirations of its clients in a manner that results in the formation of places that are visually appealing, efficient and sustainable.

Led from the front by Daousser Chennoufi, a Tunisian architect, designer and founder of Draw Link Group, who has experience of designing and managing projects for large-scale and small-scale, luxury, commercial, hospitality and residential, the firm has recently completed fit-out and interior design work for Roberto's fine dining restaurant.

A Restaurant You Won't Forget

Draw Link undertook the previous fit-out and interior design for this highly popular restaurant back in 2012, for which it won a prestigious award. This original project revolved around the design a warm and welcoming environment that inspired simplicity and accessibility, using a choice of straightforward, uncomplicated and neutral materials such as leather paneling, wood and travertine marble, thus creating the perfect sensory balance between texture, space and fine dining. Made up of four select areas, with a variety of flexible seating possibilities, each spot was artistically enhanced by refined and sophisticated lighting and sound, providing guests with a distinct taste, ambience and feel to match their gourmet experience.

Six years later and Draw Link returned to renovate the restaurant with a

completely new concept, transforming it into a fresh, light, dazzling and classy destination. Completed in November 2018, a subtle touch of luxury was added to Roberto's, whilst at the same time keeping its warm and friendly atmosphere.

Featuring an elegant neoclassical style with a touch of Italian chic, Draw Link introduced a variety of lighting to ensure a sophisticated and refined dining environment, as well as comfortable and eye-catching furniture that varies according to the different spaces and provides the customer with a feeling of ease and harmony.

A dining and lounge area with a casual bar and stage for shows, a corner for a live band for musical entertainment, and a show cooking area in the centre of the restaurant adds to the enchantment of Roberto's.

The idea of a restaurant has gone beyond just a place to have an enjoyable meal; it is a place with a unique dining environment that aims to provide a pleasurable experience that will live long in the memory. Draw Link ensures that Roberto's will be remembered for both.

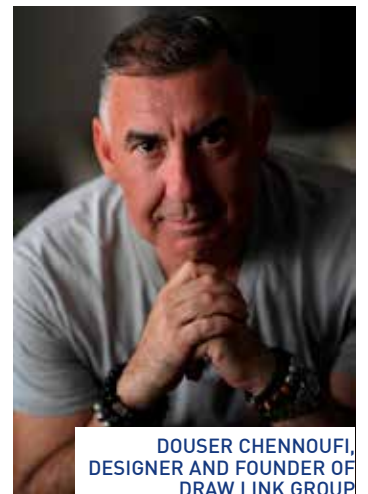
Unique and Enduring

With a head office in Dubai and branches in Tunisia, Greece, China and Belarus, Draw Link develops iconic and distinct turnkey interior projects throughout the world. The firm's signature designs can be found at the Radisson Royal Hotel (5-star hotel, Dubai), InterContinental Dubai Marina Hotel &

Hotel Apartments (5-star hotel, Dubai), Radisson Blu Resort & Spa Sousse (5-star hotel, Tunisia), The Act Hotel (5-star hotel, Sharjah), Four Points by Sheraton (4-star hotel, Kampala), Rosemont Hotel & Residences by Hilton (5-star hotel, Dubai), Hilton Resort (5-star hotel, Djerba), and many others.

Draw Link's highly talented and creative architects and interior designers work together in order to maintain the highest quality standards in terms of both the technical and aesthetic points of view.

Moreover, with Draw Link's experience of working in a number of different countries around the world, the firm is adept at delivering a highly developed and open-minded approach in its design solutions in order to design something unique and enduring for its clients.



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DUBAI MUNICIPALITY RECEIVES FOOD SECURITY MINISTER, BRIEFS BEST PRACTICES

Dawoud Al Hajiri, Director General of Dubai Municipality, received on Wednesday Her Excellency Mariam Bint Mohammed Saeed Hareb Al Muhairi, UAE Minister for Food Security. Khalid Sharif Al Awadhi, CEO for Environment, Health and Safety Sector in the Municipality and a number of officials from the Ministry and the Municipality were present on the occasion.

The Minister was briefed on the food safety regulations and services in Dubai Municipality. The meeting discussed a series of important issues related to food security, as well as identified the most important challenges facing food security and safety in Dubai from the consumer's perspective or from the perspective of food traders. Future proposals, plans and policies were also discussed to resolve the challenges and enhance the food security measures in the Emirate, as well as the Municipality's efforts to reduce the percentage of destruction of food.

She was also briefed on the unique advantages of the Municipality's digital platform, Foodwatch in the field of food

safety and nutrition, which makes Dubai the most healthy, happy and sustainable city in the world. The Municipality has developed the system to facilitate information exchange between regulatory authorities and consumers, through the use of digital surveillance techniques, data analysis and innovative applications.

The Foodwatch platform enables the tracking of food by ensuring the nutritional components and information of each product, manages the digital data related to different food items and uses the latest electronic analytical tools for this data to make the right decisions about food authorisation or rejection. This digital platform, the first of its kind in the region, provides an opportunity for food suppliers to schools to identify food conforming to the dietary requirements of students with nutritional requirements for different age groups of children.

At the end of the visit, the Minister also toured the UAE Food Bank location in Al Quoz area. She was briefed on the

operations of food reception, storage as well as the approved distribution mechanism.

The UAE Food Bank, which was established in order to collect surplus fresh and packaged food from hotels, restaurants, hospitality establishments, farms, food factories and food product markets, was also provided with an institutional mechanism that includes supervisory and control bodies, both within and outside the UAE, in cooperation with a network of local and international humanitarian and charitable organisations.

The UAE Food Bank also aspires to develop its network to include more companies as well as to build regional and international partnerships. The Bank's centers and branches outside the country are provided with surplus food according to the special conditions set by the bank, reflecting the image of the UAE, which is keen to do charity and provide it within the highest international standards.

DUBAI MUNICIPALITY WINS CORPORATE INNOVATION AWARD AT GLOBAL CONFERENCE

Dubai Municipality has won the Corporate Innovation Award of 2018 in the Global Best Practices Competition at the Global Organisational Excellence Congress, which is considered a confirmation of the Municipality's commitment to its Strategic Plan as innovation is one of the core values of this strategy, in addition to accountability, competitiveness, collaboration, transparency and happiness.

"The Municipality, through its vision and strategic plans, has always adopted a policy of innovation, whether by encouraging its employees and enhancing their efforts to apply the concepts of innovation or by consolidating and spreading the concept in the region to make it a solid culture in all government and private establishments, and raising the pace of work and achievements, in order to accomplish the highest strategic objectives of the country with the effectiveness and efficiency," said Ahmed Saeed Al Badwawi, Director of Knowledge Management Department at Dubai Municipality.

He added that the Municipality received the Corporate Innovation Award at the 24th Global Organisational Excellence Congress organised by the Abu Dhabi Chamber and the Abu Dhabi International Center for Corporate Excellence in coordination with the Asia Pacific Quality Organization (APQO), which was attended by more than 250 international specialists and experts in the area of quality and corporate excellence.

Dubai Municipality has qualified for the award by competing against 79 local and international contestants, which was reduced to six contenders in the final stage. The Municipality presented its innovation system as an advanced model of the best international practices in the field of corporate innovation, with the backing of the supportive leadership and creative staff, and the partnership between the Municipality and its customers, partners and the community. The civic body met all the requirements of the award in terms of creating an innovative environment that includes all its operations from leadership to employees and partners to achieve innovative products, services and procedures



FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE REGION, USING VR TECHNOLOGY DUBAI MUNICIPALITY LAUNCHES SMART TRAINING HUB FOR ENGINEERS

Dawoud Al Hajiri, Director General of Dubai Municipality on Monday launched a smart training center, which offers hands-on training using the Virtual Reality Environment. The Smart Training Hub, supervised by the Municipality's Geographic Information Systems Center, is considered the first-of-its kind in the Middle East for the city planning and engineering industry.

With the Smart Training Hub, the Municipality aims to enable the trainees to learn the techniques and mechanisms used in urban planning and the methods of building supervision and control. The techniques of the center will also enable the trainees to implement the urban planning rules and the setting of building regulations as well as performing the land surveying tasks while they are inside the training room.

Al Hajiri toured the Smart Training Hub, where he was briefed by Eng. Mariam Al Muhairi, Director of GIS Center, about the equipment and training programs in the center, which is unique in using the latest technology in the field of training.

The smart Training Hub is equipped with high-end devices and tools that are used in the VR technology, while the software was fully built by GIS Center team.

Al Muhairi explained that the Training curriculum covers limited fields for the time being such as urban planning, land surveying and building supervision, while in the future it is expected to include other training topics to cover other DM specialty areas.

She added that the centre would be available to the departments and institutions to benefit from it as per their specializations and fields of work.

Al Hajiri expressed his pleasure on the use of modern and smart technologies in training, and qualifying the trainees and raising their levels in urban planning.

He stressed the Municipality's keenness to provide the best services to customers and employees and achieve their aspirations on the level of services provided to them, with an emphasis on the sustainability, happiness, health and safety aspects of the Municipality's vision of building a happy and sustainable city for all.





FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE REGION DUBAI MUNICIPALITY LAUNCHES DUBAI BUILDING PERMITS APP

Dawoud Al Hajiri, Chairman of Dubai Building Permit Development Committee on Sunday launched Dubai Building Permits App, which includes all procedures of the government departments for building permits.

The move is in line with the directives of the wise government to eliminate red tape and reduce government procedures and facilitate the customers, which bring happiness to all, and in implementation of the directives of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum to develop the procedures for building permits.

The new App, a first of its kind in the region, is launched after a comprehensive review of the procedures of government departments in this regard, and is a first step on improvement and development.

The launching ceremony, held at Emirates Towers, was attended by members of the Dubai Building Permit Development Committee, which includes a number of departments and institutions: Dubai Municipality, Roads and Transport Authority, Dubai Electricity and Water Authority, Dubai Economic Development Department, Investment Corporation of Dubai, Etisalat Group, Trakhees (Ports, Customs and Free Zone Corporation), Dubai Financial Market, Dubai Creative Clusters Authority, Dubai Civil Aviation

Authority, Dubai Civil Defence, Meraas Holding, Du, and the TECOM Group.

Al Hajiri stressed that the Dubai Building Permit Development Committee has taken many qualitative pioneering steps and procedures to improve the investment and construction climate, overcome obstacles and go a long way in creating an investment environment, facilitating procedures, adopting technology, innovation and creativity to facilitate the establishment of projects and help the growth and prosperity of the business sector and support its competitiveness.

"The Committee has developed the permit service and reduced the number of steps to only five, which is a global achievement by all internationally recognized standards in this field, aiming at achieving the directives of the wise leadership to eliminate the routine and reduce the government procedures and facilitate customers," he said.

Al Hajiri explained that the achievement comes as a result of an ambitious effort, praising the cooperation of all concerned parties and all government departments and bodies, which was the main pillar for achieving this important achievement.

"Everyone expressed great understanding and showed utmost flexibility in reviewing their steps in the permit

process, and reducing many of them, and to a large extent, they cooperated, without prejudice, to fulfill the basic requirements and standards as well as the security and safety requirements, which are primarily taken into account in order to ensure the protection of life and property in accordance with the highest international standards," he pointed out.

Al Hajiri stressed that the smart App allows investors and developers to track the status of their applications and complete its procedures through a single screen. "It is integrated with all approval bodies involved in construction permits in Dubai and serves as a united system through which applications for permits are submitted and action is taken directly on these requests by all parties concerned with their own approvals," he said.

"The App will enable the investor, the contractor and the consultant office to follow up on their permit status, and to an extent that each approval body will have to approve the request on its part within a record period of submission of the application in order to ensure fast processing of applications, and then issue permits in record time, once all the documents and papers required to be submitted by the consultant are in place," Al Hajiri said, explaining that this App also covers free zones and special development areas.

Eng. Marwan Al Mohammed, member of the Committee, added that the App can be accessed via smart phones, in order to facilitate the customers and investors. "Through the App, one can know the status of the transaction of projects and buildings,

in addition to the list of qualified contractors and consultants with Dubai Municipality as there are 6,000 registered contractors 500 consultants," he said.

"The development of the unified electronic system will be part of the phase of unifying of building standards in the Emirate of Dubai, which will be one of the most distinguished building regulations, not only in the region but globally," said Al Mohammed.

"This will be followed by another phase with the involvement of the private sector and real estate developers, in registering innovative new building materials, especially those that have high specifications, in line with Dubai's trends in adopting the best international standards and practices and the government's keenness to keep abreast of the global developments and updating the databases according to those developments," he said.

"The registration process ensures the specifications of these materials, achieving the highest levels of security and safety of the structures, as well as their conformity with the health and environmental specifications taking care of the highest international standards of quality. The registration of these materials will also take into consideration the accuracy and speed at the same time," said Al Mohammed.

It is worth mentioning that in his capacity as Ruler of Dubai, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum,

Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE had issued Resolution No. 3 of 2017 on the formation of the Dubai Building Permit Development Committee in the Emirate. The decision included a set of objectives for the committee, which includes raising the level of customer satisfaction by providing excellent services in the field of building permits, which will contribute to enhancing the competitiveness of the emirate in the global competitiveness indicators and ensuring the speed of completion of services related to issuing building permits by the concerned authorities through the development of systems, requirements and conditions, and facilitate procedures related to the issuance of such permits.

The decision gave the Committee the powers to learn about the best practices applied globally in issuing building permits, and to guide the development and simplification of procedures for issuing them at the emirate level and to contribute to supporting innovation and creativity through the development of regulations, requirements and conditions related to materials used in construction, forming sub-committees and working groups to determine the tasks, powers and duration of work, and use experienced and competent persons deemed appropriate.



AIMS TO PROVIDE SAFE AND STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT FOR WORKERS DUBAI MUNICIPALITY SETS UP SAFETY TENT AT LABOUR CAMP

In order to enhance the safety and health of workers in Dubai and to protect the rights of workers for a decent, healthy and safe working environment, Dubai Municipality organized the "Safety Tent" activity.

The event was organized as part of the "Zero Accident Construction" challenge initiative to provide a safe and stimulating environment for workers by raising their awareness and enhancing a safety culture in construction sites.

Eng. Abdullah Al Shezawi, Director of Building Control Department pointed out that the most important feature of this activity is setting up the tent in the labour accommodation in Al Muhaisinah-2 area as a first stage.

"We will take this activity to all labour accommodations in the Emirate in future. The Municipality will target the workers in their places of residence to facilitate communication and interaction with them, reflecting the interest of the senior management in the Municipality to preserve the lives of workers in construction sites, taking into consideration they are the largest segment and they need training and awareness," he said.

Al Shezawi said that the event will include a series of activities through three days such as lectures, workshops, distribution of building safety awareness leaflets to spread the concept of occupational safety and health in construction sites, in addition to a medical day, which will include medical examinations for workers.

He stressed the need to promote a culture of occupational safety and health and to disseminate it at the workplace level, to motivate workers to be responsible for their safety, as well as the responsibilities of governments and employers, which will help protect workers and positively reflect project completion and increase in productivity and maintain its continuity.

It is worth mentioning that the "Zero Accident Construction" challenge initiative was launched on October 1 this year for construction companies to compete with each other to achieve the largest number of working hours in construction sites without the occurrence of any construction accidents or violations of security and safety requirements and the preservation of life and property according to innovative work standards and mechanisms in a way that enhances Dubai's reputation as one of the cities in which the construction industry is active.



DCL OFFERS EXCLUSIVE HIGH-PRECISION CALIBRATION SERVICES

Dubai Central Laboratory (DCL) is offering exclusive measurement services in the calibration of high-precision weights (E1).

Eng. Amin Ahmed, Director of Dubai Central Laboratory Department, said that DCL is also the only one in the region with ISO 17025 certification in the field of calibration of 20kg approved by the Emirates International Center for accreditation (EIAC).

"It is part of Dubai Municipality's keenness to excel in its specialized fields and services, especially in the field of calibration, which plays a vital role in building the quality infrastructure in any country by ensuring the accuracy and reliability of the devices and measuring instruments used in different types of tests," he said.

Ahmed said the DCL has been able, since 1991, to expand its services in various fields that have been the first in the country. "We have recently been able to be unique in some exclusive services as DCL is the only government laboratory that provides these services in the region," he said.

Ahmed said DCL is distinguished by its exclusive services in calibrating the voltage measuring devices for Alternating Current (AC) and continuous power supply and stopwatches and timers used in the

inspection and calibration laboratories and the important and sensitive sectors such as aviation, communications and various industrial fields.

"These exclusive services include Autoclaves, Climatic Chambers and Centrifuges used in the health and food sectors, which are of paramount importance," he added.

"It is worth mentioning that services of our calibration labs range from different types and fields to more than 84 of the ISO17025 certified standards for calibrating length, mass, volume, temperature, pressure, power, calibrations, time and frequency. We have qualified technical staff with long international experience. These services are offered for all laboratories and scientific, industrial and commercial establishments in the public and private sectors inside and outside the country," pointed out Ahmed.

He said these laboratories have the latest reference devices and advanced technologies in the world, including automatic comparisons of calibration of the masses of all approved types of precision, without human interference and they give the most accurate results, which is authorized to get a lot of international recognitions and references.

DUBAI MUNICIPALITY SIGNS MOU WITH SAN SALVADOR MUNICIPALITY

Making yet another important addition to its strategic partnerships with the world's leading cities, Dubai Municipality has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the city of San Salvador, the capital of El Salvador seeking bilateral cooperation in various fields of common interest.

The MoU was signed by Dawood Al Hajiri, Director General of Dubai Municipality and Ernesto Mason García Prieto, Mayor of San Salvador. The meeting, held on the sidelines of the signing of the MoU, with the Mayor of San Salvador and the accompanying high-level delegation, discussed ways of enhancing cooperation and bilateral relations and exchanging experiences and best practices in various municipal areas.

"The strategic partnership with San Salvador reflects our commitment to open new channels of effective dialogue and

constructive collaboration with the leading players in infrastructure services and business development, in a move, we trust, will be positively reflected on the municipal sector in Dubai and San Salvador," said Al Hajiri.

"We look forward to the transfer of our recent knowledge and successful experiences in the fields of research, development, innovation, environmental services, health and human investment, which is the solid foundation of Dubai's leadership that has proved that Dubai has been an active partner of global communities. It has also brought qualitative achievements to Dubai with the unlimited support of our wise leadership to push the path of economic diversification as "an important pillar for building a solid post-oil base," he said, stressing that

the MoU will open broad prospects for cooperation between the two cities.

The MoU was based on shared visions for the start of bilateral work and the culmination of the constructive steps taken by the two sides, based on openness and strong cooperation, which promoted the flourishing of cultural and commercial relations between the UAE and the country of El Salvador. The signing of the MoU is only a basic building block for future work. This was the result of a joint effort by both sides to exchange information and experiences and the care to deepen the bonds of friendship and cooperation that unite the two parties.

The MoU included the formalization of cooperation in various municipal fields through the promotion of business meetings and encouraging exchange of experiences in business development, as well as enabling investment opportunities.

It also included the development of municipal services through the promotion of bilateral projects aimed at improving the overall promotional projects, based on the integration of innovative practices previously agreed upon. The MoU also provided for the promotion of various administrative, technological, educational, developmental and management practices as well as the field of risk management and renewable energy, and the exchange of field visits to identify the latest developments in the global municipal areas.

It is worth mention that Dubai Municipality has succeeded in establishing a wide network of cooperation and friendship with many countries in Europe, Africa, America, Australia and Asia.

Through its network of international relations, the Municipality seeks to highlight the role of the UAE and the city of Dubai in particular and extend the bridges of friendship and cooperation with various countries of the world and the friendly countries, especially the cities which have economic, commercial, cultural, historical, tourism and common links with Dubai.

Dubai Municipality has crowned these relations with the signing of twinning agreements and memorandums of understanding with a number of Arab and international cities over the past years. The efforts of Dubai Municipality are in line with the vision of the wise leadership on the importance of weaving the best relations of cooperation and friendship with the different countries of the world. In order to achieve these objectives, the Municipality has developed a plan through which it has been able to enter into agreements and memorandums of understanding with a wide network of cities, which have had a significant impact on the promotion of the city of Dubai at all levels and public and private sectors.





GREETINGS OF PEACE AND BLESSINGS

THE ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL INTERIOR DESIGNERS (APID), UAE, IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE WON THE VOTING FOR HOSTING THE FEDERATION OF INTERIOR BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTS/DESIGNERS (IFI) GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CONGRESS 2019 IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IN DUBAI, UAE.

The Goal of IFI 2019 Dubai

Founded in 1963 in Denmark, the IFI was created to unite and provide discussion of interior design issues within a handful of European countries; its exponential growth since seeing the company collectively representing over 65,000 practicing interior designers worldwide today. The aim of IFI General Assembly will be to bring together the interior architects and designers from across the globe.

Formed to represent professional interior designers in the Gulf region, APID will promote the highest professional ideals of interior design to client bodies, be it governmental or private sectors. We further extend this reach to the industry, to its membership, and to the society at large.

The agenda for the Congress is to discuss the topical issues such as social responsibility, looking into the business of interior designers, the influence of technology on the design world and how this helps in the 21st Century, the role of tradition, art & culture, sustainability,

interior design within academia. We will have some top leading organizations and research firms, who will be sharing their insights into new business opportunities throughout the Middle East and Africa.

The IFI Congress will further explore possibilities for interior design practitioners

to renew their pledge to enhance the quality of lives for future generations to come. All this and more, through partnerships with industry, business, private institutions and government.

The IFI Congress is ready to welcome over 700 delegates from all over the



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world. The list of delegates includes hundreds of decision makers and influencers.

This international event will give a good impact on having Dubai as a hub for

interior architects and designers and, not only for the region, but globally as well.

This event is feeding into Dubai vision 2030-2070.

About APID

APID aims to stand equally alongside other representative bodies and institutions and to participate fully in local and

international events. It is the first association of its kind in the Arabian Gulf.

APID became a member of IFI in 2007, at the 23rd General Assembly in Bussan, Korea.





TRANSFORMING SPACES, TRANSFORMING LIVES

AMITY - B LOBBY

ESTABLISHED IN 2004 AS A DESIGN CONSULTANCY, IRD HAS PROMOTED A HOLISTIC PHILOSOPHY FROM DAY ONE, LOOKING AT THE WHOLE PICTURE RATHER THAN THE DIFFERENT CONSTITUENTS OF INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS.

Too often, the design is divided into so many parts that the overall vision of the project is lost, but IRD was committed to changing this approach, and today it is known for its inclusive design methodology.

IRD is a boutique firm, providing personal attention found a niche market for clients that realised the value of a well-designed environment. These clients operate across multiple sectors, from hospital, education and entertainment through to corporate and institutional.

The built environment has a huge impact on all our lives. Where we work, live and play affects our wellbeing, our opportunities and our potential. No one knows this more than IRD, which strongly believes that design can transform lives. 'Inspired Design – Disciplined Action' is its tag line, with the firm priding itself on its ability to combine balanced aesthetics, usability and state-of-the-art technical solutions.

IRD has been associated with the Association of Professional Interior Designers (APID) since its inception, welcoming its standing as a collective voice that represents the entire interior design industry. APID is the only

professional membership organisation representing interior design across the Gulf region, promoting the highest professional ideals of the sector to client bodies, whether governmental, the private sector, industry, its own membership, or society as a whole. Moreover, APID stands alongside other representative bodies and institutions and

participates fully in local and international events. APID is the first association of its kind in the Arabian Gulf.

For IRD, and members in general, APID helps recognise the work done in the region, bringing credibility to design professionals. Of course, there are still challenges to be tackled and APID is at the forefront, not least in its quest to

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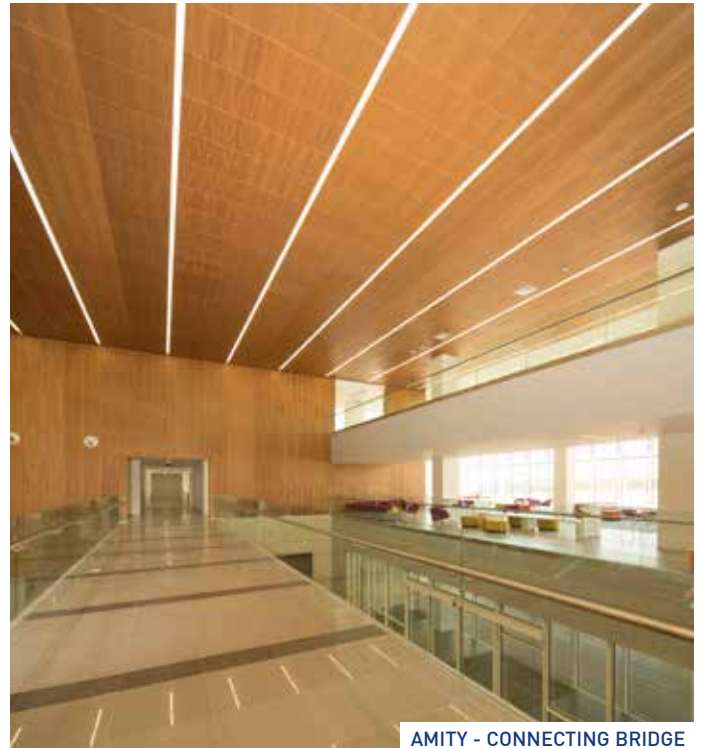
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introduce legally binding regulation to the industry. At the present time, anyone can practice interior design and copyright control, and this is clearly unacceptable.

However, IRD is confident that over the next few years interior design will become a regulated industry with liability on the

designer and contractor to ensure that safe workmanship is carried out to a respectable standard. By creating a 'responsible' framework, it will become necessary to have only qualified people undertaking interior design, which will be a good thing for both the industry and its clients.

APID, as member of the International Federation of Interior Designers/Architects, is committed to the global advancement of the interior design community. Maintaining the highest standards and best practice in interior design, it attests to the qualifications of its professional members by issuing a

certificate of membership, giving peace-of-mind to clients and efficacy to its members. IRD will continue to stand with it every step of the way, as it strives towards tighter regulation and guidelines.



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This takes in everything from high-quality and efficient fire extinguishers to highly advanced fire-fighting vehicles, ambulances, and mobile hospitals.

A UAE-based company, NAFFCO is committed to being No.1 in the industry and has already gone a long way to achieving that status, now currently exporting to over 100 countries worldwide. Its state-of-the-art fire protection systems are installed in a broad spectrum of establishments and institutions, including residential buildings, oil refineries, airports, hospitals, schools, metros and trams, leisure facilities, mining sectors, and law enforcement organisations, as well as in some of the most prestigious projects in the UAE, such as Burj Khalifa, Palm Jumeirah, Dubai Metro and Tram, and Zayed University.

New Products, New Markets

Continually evolving and expanding, NAFFCO is looking to uphold its preeminent status in the industry by developing evermore advanced solutions. And of course, as the years go by the

challenge to continually innovate will become even more important, with establishments all over the world developing their own features and safety necessities in order to stay ahead of the curve in their individual industries.

NAFFCO's objective, therefore, is to harmonise the escalation of everyone's safety needs in order to determine what

its next steps will be and which new markets to tap into.

At NAFFCO, they believe that with the right team members, which today incorporate some of the most highly qualified and professional people in the sector, the company will produce more and more cutting-edge safety solutions and win many additional customers from



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A Crucial Role in Safety in Dubai

The government has a plethora of upcoming projects to support the progress of Dubai in the next 10 years. NAFFCO and Dubai concur that first and foremost public safety and fire protection is vital for ongoing development in the emirate. As the government continues to upgrade its standard in first safety and protection, fuelled by world-class landmarks, super high-rise buildings, transportation networks and other places of public interest, NAFFCO will strive to create new, relevant and timely products to contribute to the attainment of improved rescue systems in Dubai.

NAFFCO is aiming to be one of the stakeholders in the government's implementation of high standard fire safety and protection. The company recognises that it has an important role in the collaborative effort to promote Dubai's vision to ensure the safety and protection of every life and property in the emirate by offering its innovative solutions.

Many Solutions, One Point-of-Contact

What makes NAFFCO stand out from its competitors in a crowded marketplace is its commitment to the customer and its ability to provide complete fire-fighting and fire protection solutions all under one roof. So no matter what the requirement, from fire

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Indeed, NAFFCO manufactures and supply UL, FM, BSI KITEMARK, LPCB and Global Mark approved products that meets to the respective International Standards, with the company certified to ISO 9001:2015 from different certification agencies: the UL DQS and BSI along with ISO 14001 and ISO 45001 certified by UL DQS.

A Fire-Fighting Robot

NAFFCO is constantly seeking to research, develop and launch new products and services, often innovative products that are pioneers in the market. Its latest innovation is the NAFFCO Robot model NR-997, which is a high-technology firefighting robot suitable for wide range of scenarios, including blazes in large open areas such as petrochemical plants, oil tank facilities, forests, Class B fires, toxic gas, and liquid leakage. This robot is also ideal for fires that are too dangerous for fire-fighters to reach.

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The Best Solutions, the Best People

As it works on more and more projects as the years go by, NAFFCO will look to attract and retain additional staff members to meet demand. This will help the company to achieve a smooth execution of its proposed platforms, as well as adding new outputs, which will assist it in getting closer to attaining its objectives.

With the help of its talented human resources team, NAFFCO will carefully select passionate and talented people to step inside its world and harmonise with the company's vision and diversity.

Keeping Abreast of the Latest Technology

There is no doubt that technology will play an even greater role in fire safety over the next 10 years. It is true that nowadays technology already has great influence and, although 10 years is not that long, technology escalates so quickly that it will no doubt bring huge changes to the world.

As of today, the products and services offered by NAFFCO are based and inspired on the latest technology. This is an advantage because technology turns what we think is impossible into reality, especially when it comes to rescuing. As already mentioned, the company has recently launched a robot,

but it believes that it can go further into a smarter level of technology. For example, it can present wearable technology by developing its fire-fighting gear. This will use sensors to monitor heartbeat rate, movement, locate people, and will serve as a tracking device, too. NAFFCO will also look to develop a smart fire-fighting hose and computer programmed smart fire alarms.

It is not certain what technology will bring us in the approaching years, but one thing is for sure - technology will promote advancement in the industry, probably to levels we cannot yet imagine.

Education and Recognition

Over the next decade, in addition to great advancements in technology, it is also hoped that people will become much more knowledgeable about fire safety measures, and with any luck will see the importance of fire protection in their daily lives. An improved recognition will also help in minimising property damage and financial loss.

This is also the reason that NAFFCO offers fire safety and NFPA trainings; to maintain people's awareness in fire safety and protection. With the population constantly on the rise in Dubai, this is a very challenging, but also exciting, time to be working in the fire safety industry. A growing number of companies, organisations and individuals are seeking safeguards from the dangers of fire, and this is one of the primary factors in keeping NAFFCO motivated to produce increasingly advanced and practical solutions, and in doing so promote protection and save lives.



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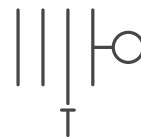


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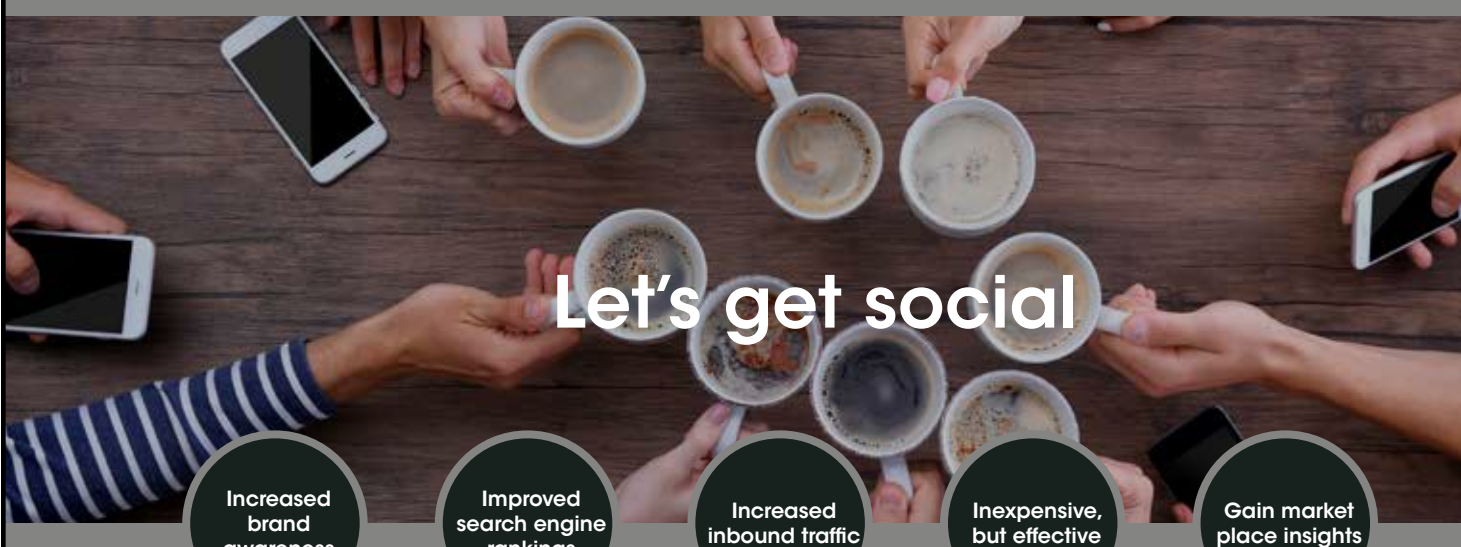
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To achieve this, it continues to emphasise the importance of advanced construction techniques, a highly qualified management and staff, and a flexible organisation that allows for close co-operation with both associated and local experts. All of this is supported by a sound financial base that enables BAM International to exceed its clients' expectations, deliver on time and on budget, act sustainably, and contribute positively to the communities in which it works.

History

BAM International experienced its first surge in the 1970s, when its entrepreneurial spirit resulted in an expansion in terms of market sectors, as well as geographical areas.

Marine construction has always been the backbone of the business and, building on the Dutch tradition in this discipline, it supported a rapid expansion of the company's activities across the world: the Caribbean, North and Latin America, Asia Pacific, Africa and the Middle East. Australia followed in the 1980s. More recently, a series of special projects has led the way to Europe and even Antarctica.

Growth and continuity of the business have also been determined by the ability to expand into different fields. So whilst

marine construction, particularly near shore projects, still makes up the lion's share of business, BAM International has become just as respected for its abilities in high-quality, complex general building projects, in addition to the industrial and infrastructural markets.

Until 2009, BAM International was best

known under the name Interbeton. After the acquisition of its parent company in 2002, it became part of Royal BAM Group. Since 2009, the name BAM International has signified its role in the Group: it applies its own skills and those of its colleagues within the Royal BAM Group in the global marketplace.



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The Middle East

BAM International has had a presence in the Middle East since the 1970s, constructing numerous large prestigious building projects, including a contract in Abu Dhabi for all external buildings and landscaping one of the most striking hotel and conference venues ever built (Emirates Palace Hotel), as well as the turnkey construction of a skyscraper with the shape of a perfume bottle in Dubai (Park Place).

The company's project portfolio involves buildings, civil and marine structures. BAM International has got the know-how to do both, fuelled by its ownership of modern, superbly maintained equipment, such as cranes, Jack-up barges and tug boats. It is always prepared for deployment on projects throughout the region and, if already running at full capacity, has more available within its worldwide organisation.

In conjunction with the delivery of its projects, BAM International has embraced corporate social responsibility initiatives to enhance health, safety and education for the local population. In the Middle East/ Gulf states, the main activities carried out include provision of water supply to local businesses, beach clean-ups, blood donation programmes, protection of flora and fauna, environmental awareness events, equipment donation, and building projects for local schools.

UAE Projects

BAM International is experienced in providing services to clients in several markets, such as Government, Industrial, Infrastructure, Mining & Minerals, Oil &

Gas, Ports & Terminals, and Property & Building. This broad expertise has allowed it to successfully complete a wide range of renowned projects, with the following being just a few notable examples.

Al Ain Stadium and Mixed Development – Abu Dhabi

This development comprised housing (650 apartments in seven five-storey buildings), a commercial building, a multi-storey car park, a food and beverage souk, and a 173-bed hotel with its own car park (managed by the Starwood Hotel chain). The project also consisted of associated infrastructure such as roads, underground services, and the high-quality public area. In total, the phase two works represented approximately 300,000m³ of built-up area, all of which achieved an Estidama 2 Pearl rating.

Jebel Ali Terminal 4, Phase 1a, 1b & 2 – Dubai

Construction of 2,240 metres of quay wall, 2240 metres of land side crane beam to accommodate 100-tonne STS cranes, as well as a 440 metre long access bridge and a 2.6 kilometre causeway to link the new terminal being built on an island of reclaimed land to the main port. Included in the contract was the installation of all quay furniture, the land reclamation to create the 17 hectares of yard and access road directly behind the quay wall, and the crane beam to support the ship to shore cranes. BAM International was assisted by BAM Contractors of Ireland. The works were designed by BAM's engineering company BAM Infraconsult, URS, and AECOM. For this project, BAM set up its



PREMIER INN HOTEL AT ABU DHABI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT- ABU DHABI

own diving division; a fully certified team of commercial divers to run three separate diving operations 24/7.

Hazza Bin Zayed Stadium & Mixed-use Development – Al Ain

This was a design and build contract for a multi-functional stadium with 25,000 seats situated in Al Ain, more or less 150 kilometres east of Abu Dhabi, close to the borders of Oman. The project was realised in close collaboration with sister companies BAM Sports, specialised in stadium construction, and BAM Contractors from Ireland. The scope of work included the construction of a stadium with a gross floor area of 45,000m². In addition, BAM International built a six-storey office building and a sports hall, and carried out external works comprising roads, car parking, playing fields, and landscaping. The construction of the stadium is a combination of structural steel and reinforced concrete on piled foundations (by others) with aluminium and composite external cladding and a palm bowl envelope.

Premier Inn Hotel at Abu Dhabi International Airport – Abu Dhabi

This project involved the construction of the three-star 308-room Premier Inn at Abu Dhabi International Airport. It was the first major hotel within the Abu Dhabi airport complex on a building area of 14,000m² and is linked to Terminals 1 and 3 by a retail corridor. The six-storey hotel features a restaurant, bar, coffee outlet, and several meeting rooms. The design of the new Premier Inn showcases contemporary architecture, with the building appearing as two intersecting masses. The façade is clad in glass and aluminium. The design of the hotel is based on the environmentally-friendly development Estidama Pearl 2 standard that is required by Abu Dhabi's Urban Planning Council as part of its 2030 Vision for the capital.

Welcome Pavilion – Yas Island, Abu Dhabi

In December 2010, BAM International completed this four-storey cast-in-situ circular building, flanked on either side by a



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WELCOME PAVILION – YAS ISLAND, ABU DHABI

water cascade. The Welcome Pavilion is to be found at the heart of Yas Island and provides visitors with a luxury shopping, resting and leisure area, before or after a visit to the island's numerous attractions, such as Ferrari World. BAM International was also awarded the south link demarcation scope of works, which comprised the construction of a connection between the Welcome Pavilion and the Yas Island multi-storey car parks.

Vopak Jetty Extension Phase Five – Fujairah

Vopak Horizon Fujairah operates the first independent onshore oil terminal outside the Arabian Gulf. The marine facilities of Vopak Horizon Fujairah originally comprised a 1.2-kilometre approach trestle and four berths for vessels up to 150,000 DWT and one single-point mooring system. BAM International has

extended the facilities with two new berths (numbered five and six), which are connected to the end of the existing trestle. The new berths are suitable for vessels of up to 110,000 DWT.

Crowne Plaza Hotel and Staybridge Apartments – Yas Island, Abu Dhabi

The hotel had to prove its quality prior to the start of the Yas Island Formula One race on 1 November 2009. And it did! BAM International completed the project for client Aldar within a record time of 21 months. The company was not only the fastest contractor on the island, it was also declared three times safest contractor of the month and overall the safest hotel contractor. The project comprised the four-star Crowne Plaza Hotel (428 rooms) and the four-star Staybridge Services Apartments Hotel (165 apartments).



CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL- ABU DHABI

Ibn Battuta Gate Mixed Development – Dubai

To be found adjacent to the Ibn Battuta Mall at Jebel Ali in Dubai, this 200,000 m² complex comprises offices, apartments, and a five-star Mövenpick hotel that offers 396 guest rooms 156 furnished apartments, 15 themed suites, and an extensive spa. The arch-shaped gate building connecting the two main buildings spans across a four-lane road. Continued maintenance traffic over this road and the proximity of the operational mall meant that BAM International had a major challenge in keeping the immediate surroundings safe while construction took place up to a height of 60 metres.

Park Place Main Building Works – Dubai

Construction of a 230-metre high residential tower of 62 floors, of which the lower 18 floors are reserved for offices, along

Sheikh Zayed Road, including a 10-level car park building and a steel structure bridge connecting the car park and tower. Built in the shape of a perfume bottle, the horizontally and vertically curved skyscraper has been lauded by international industry experts for its remarkable design and construction quality.

Emirates Palace Hotel – Abu Dhabi

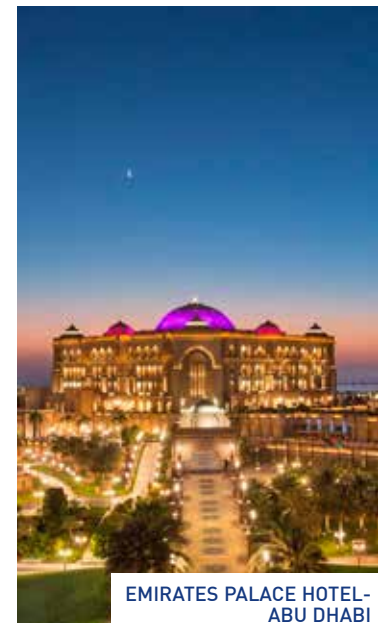
BAM International built the structural works for the west and east hotels of the Emirates Palace, including the underground three-storey car park, the central integral garage, and access ramps to all levels. Works included the construction of the 40-metre high triumphal arch with dome that is being used as the exclusive entrance for the royal family. Furthermore, BAM International carried out all external works to the hotel and the soft landscaping, two full size swimming pools and other water features with associated plant rooms, and a helipad with emergency fire foam system.



VOPAK JETTY EXTENSION PHASE FIVE - FUJAIRAH.



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MIDDLE EAST/GULF: PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Saqr Port expansion phase 1 and 2 - Ras Al Khaimah

BAM's main scope of work for this project comprises dredging work, construction of a 720-metres long deep water concrete block quay wall, as well as stripping an existing breakwater. Reclamation works, topsides furniture, paving, drainage and lighting are also included in the contract.

CT4 road connection, Dubai

A design and construct contract to deliver a road connection between the newly constructed Container Terminal 4 and the existing road network. The project includes the design and construction of 2.75 km of dual carriageway with one roundabout and bridge crossing the existing gas utility corridor. For the bridge we designed and constructed the biggest AASHTO bridge beams ever used in the UAE. The works comprise associated drainage, lighting, signage including gantry signs, road markings and precast barriers. The project will form the first step in a much larger Infrastructure upgrade DP World plans to implement in Jebel Ali Free Zone within the future.

Port of Hamriya - Dubai

The Hamriya Port project included the construction of an 820-metre concrete block quay wall, partial demolition of the

existing breakwater to construct a new access channel and some minor revetments. The new facility extended the general cargo port by 610 metres of quay wall and has a berthing depth of 6 metres. The fishing harbour was extended by 210 metres and has a berthing depth of 3 metres.

Al Dabbiya phase 3 - Abu Dhabi

Marine infrastructure works for phase 3 of the Al Dabbiya oil field development by client ADCO. The scope of work for five offshore clusters comprised channel dredging, reclamation works, construction of a cause way, shore protection, heliport, pontoons and fences. The construction also involved an additional offshore cluster including boat quay, pontoon and heliport.



LNG Terminal, Aqaba - Jordan

Design and construct of the Aqaba New Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Terminal, 18 kilometres south of Aqaba. The EPC contract

included the design and construction of an LNG jetty with approach trestle, including the mechanical, engineering and piping services, the onshore MEP works, buildings, infrastructure, landscaping and the tug jetty structures. BAM Infraconsult was responsible for the design works.



Equipment

BAM international is renowned for its broad portfolio of technologically advanced equipment. Its high-quality floating, land-based or jack-up equipment makes it possible to competitively execute projects whatever their size or complexity. Many systems and technologies are purpose-designed for specific jobs, but open up new possibilities on later projects. The company's policy is aimed at an efficient deployment of people and equipment, including the possibility of renting out.

Quality Policy

BAM International is committed to delivering projects that meet clients'

requirements in a practical, professional and cost-effective manner. This is achieved through its leadership commitment and the worldwide application of the BAM International Management System (BMS). The company actively seek continual improvement of the system by setting objectives and targets in order to measure its performance and by requesting performance feedback from clients. The BAM International Management system is certified to ISO 9001:2015 and applies to all BAM International controlled activities worldwide.

Environment Policy

BAM International is committed to conducting its activities in an environmentally responsible manner, and to accomplish this it:

- Complies with relevant laws and regulations for the protection of the environment
- Integrates environmental protection by planning those activities under its control to mitigate adverse environmental impacts
- Sets appropriate environmental objectives and incorporates measures to achieve them
- Conserves resources through the efficient use of energy and minimises waste
- Ensures conformity with this policy through employee commitment, including audits utilising BAM International expertise and other specialist expertise
- Continually seeks improvement of the effectiveness of its Environmental Management System (EMS).



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Occupational Health & Safety Policy

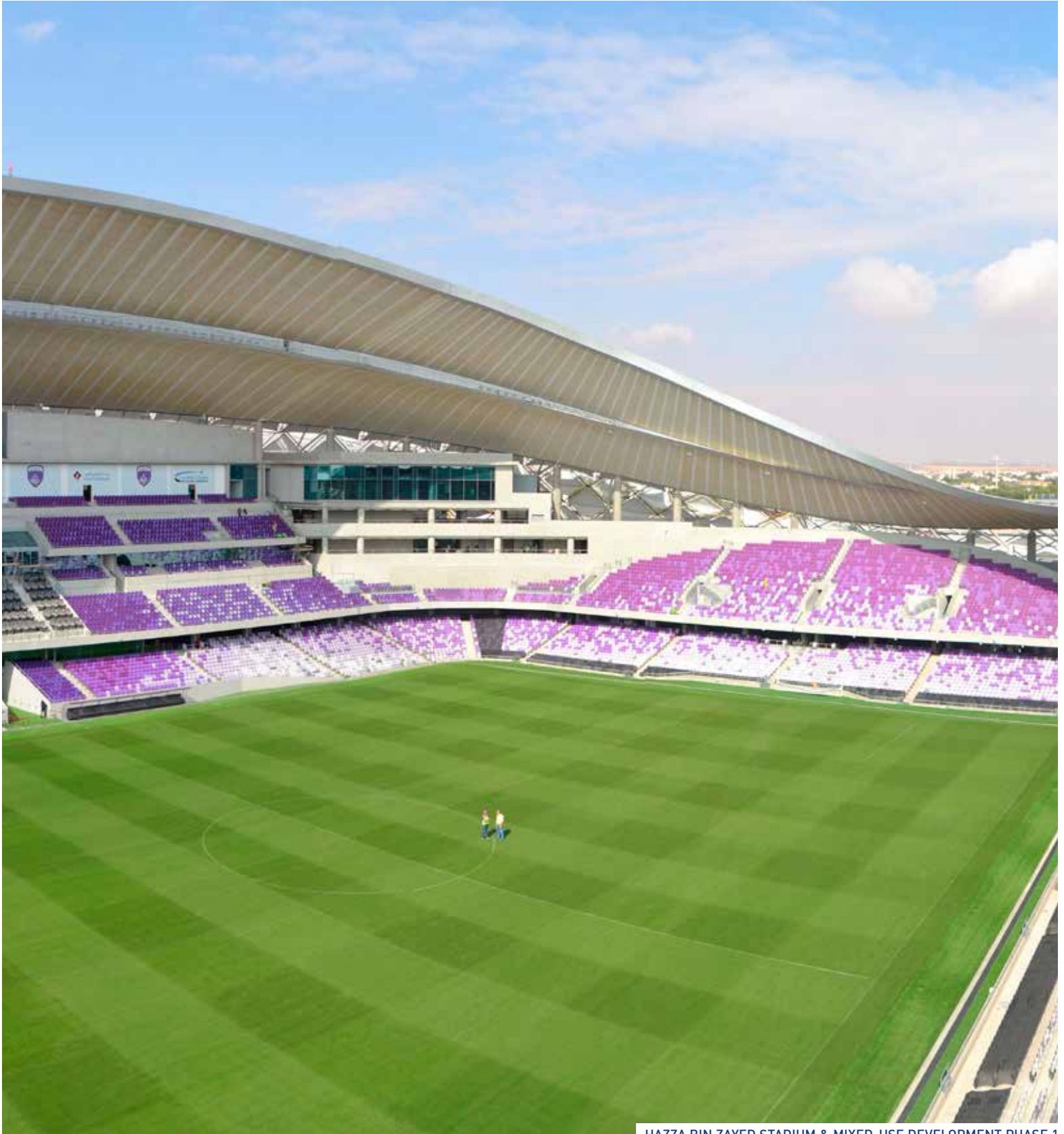
BAM International regards safety as an

exceedingly important priority for the company.

It is dedicated to conducting its business in the best way to preserve the health, safety and welfare of all the people who may be affected by the activities of the company, including third parties. BAM International firmly

believes that all accidents are avoidable. Current health and safety legislation and approved codes of practice are complied with at all times wherever the company is active. To achieve these aims, BAM International core value is the maintenance and implementation of the OHS Policy.

Every employee has a responsibility to take reasonable care for their safety and for the safety of other people who may be affected by their acts or omissions. They are also obliged to co-operate with their employer in respect of matters concerning health and safety. The involvement and co-operation of



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employees at all levels is essential for the effective implementation of this policy. The Occupational Health & Safety policy is reviewed periodically to ensure its continuing relevance, effectiveness and adequacy as per the scope of the organisation.

Quality is Always Key

A deeply-rooted sense of quality, along with an innate predisposition to safety and

responsible business, not forgetting a flair for innovative solutions, has always been key in the formation of long-term relationships with clients and co-creators.

The company's philosophy revolves around offering genuine value to its clients, and in doing so providing them with the most favourable solution for their needs. Its mission statement underlines this commitment, declaring: 'We create sustainable

built environments across the world that enhance people's lives and create maximum value for our stakeholders by combining a diversity of people that capitalise on state-of-the-art knowledge, resources and digital technologies to provide construction solutions.'

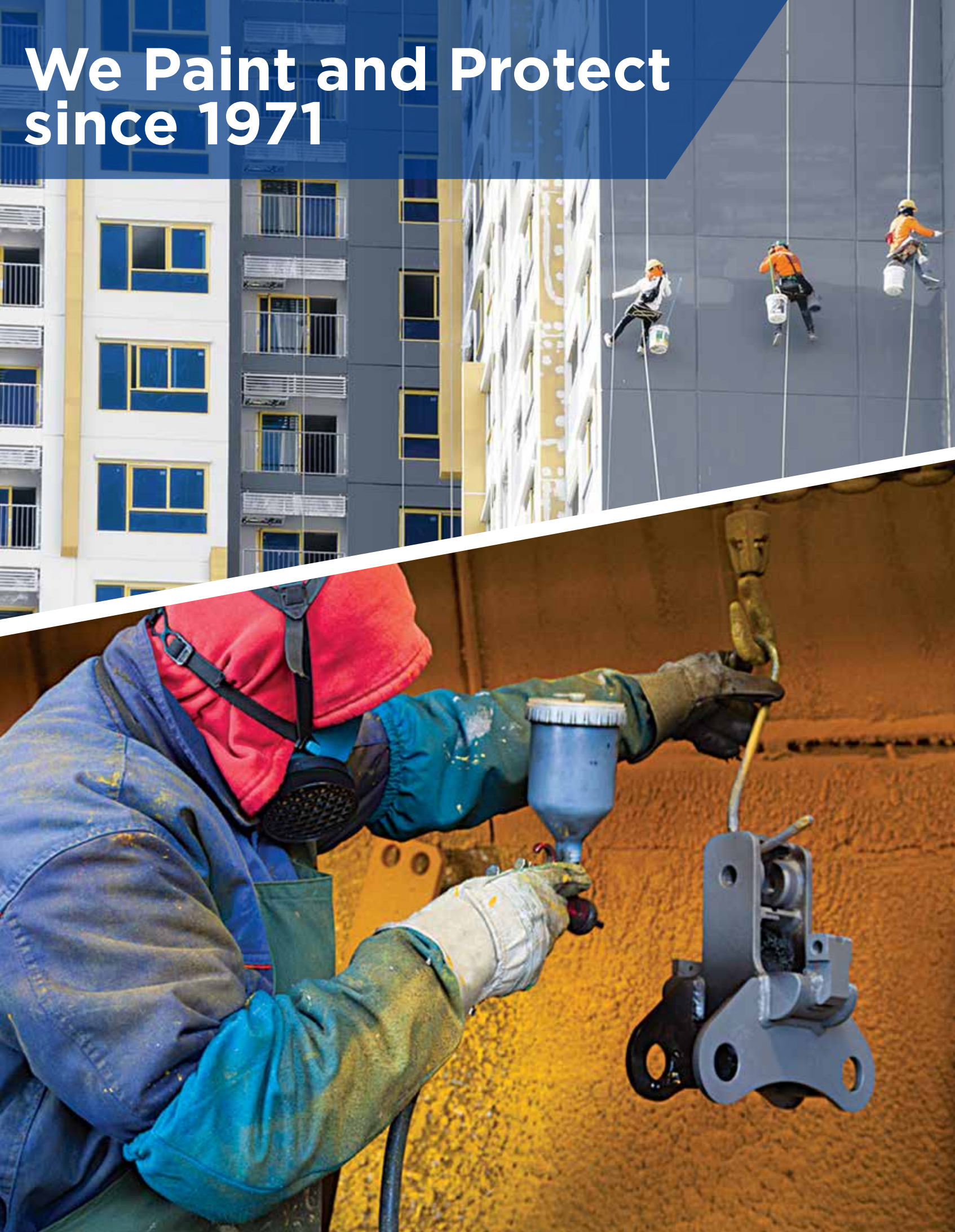
Looking to the future, BAM International is unwavering in its determination to being recognised as a global leader in specialist near

shore marine, civil and construction projects by 2020. And this vision, in tandem with the company's unique culture, is underpinned by four values that are guiding lights for BAM international's entire workforce: predictable performance, scalable learning, proactive ownership, and open collaboration.



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