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## We are delighted to welcome you to the Gateway Gulf Investor Forum at the Four Seasons Hotel Bahrain Bay, Manama.

The Gulf region is undergoing an exciting economic transformation - one characterized by a period of low oil prices which catalysed a shift in the role of government from operator to regulator. This has been followed by a wave of unprecedented reform designed to drive investment and private sector-led development. As governments across the region turn towards the private sector as the primary engine of sustainable economic growth, this period is one in which opportunities - previously inaccessible to the private sector - are being opened to business as never before. Under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and Chairman of the Bahrain Economic Development Board, we welcome you to Gateway Gulf

- Bahrain 2018. **■** ■

#### INTERACTIVE PLENARY SESSIONS

Gateway Gulf is under the patronage of HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa. Crown Prince and Chairman of the Bahrain Economic Development Board.

#### Vision and Reality: **Economic Goals for a Decade**

All of the Gulf economies have set ambitious economic goals for the next decade, looking towards 2030. What are the roadmaps to achieving their visions?

#### **Teaching Elephants to Dance - Are Governments Becoming Friend, Not Foe** to Investors?

Fach of the Gulf economies has embarked on efforts to streamline decision making and open doors for investors, trying to shed previous reputations of being slow, opaque and bureaucratic. How real are the changes and what further reforms and improvements are planned?

#### Unlocking the GCC Puzzle

Where are the opportunities to create a whole greater than the sum of its parts in the GCC? How can cooperation and integration on trade benefit from building on national strengths? Which areas of specialization are most promising for Bahrain and other Gulf economies?

#### The Most Important Capital - Human Capital

Quality education and training provide the foundation for a healthy, modern economy. What are the key requirements to improve workforce skills in the Gulf economies?

#### **Tech Transformation** and Industry 4.0

In order to drive productivity improvements and achieve target economic growth rates, the Gulf economies must embrace technology and the transformative change it brings.

#### One Belt, One Road

China's One Belt. One Road Initiative is an ambitious plan to jump start connectivity and cooperation between East Asia. the Middle East. Europe and East Africa. How does the GCC's central position on this new Silk Road conjure new opportunities for investment and trade?

# Mobile App

Arrival

#### **GATEWAY GULF MOBILE APP**

The Gateway Gulf official mobile app is now available. Please click on the links below for your preferred operating system to download the app. The app will allow you to:

- View the complete schedule, explore sessions, and get detailed speaker information
- Expand your network, interact and schedule bilateral meetings with other attendees
- Keep yourself informed by accessing the Activity Feed, which will highlight photos, ratings, comments, and more
- Reserve sessions, get reminders and respond to polls quickly and easily
- Stay informed of recreational activities and side events

For more information about the mobile app, please contact mobileapp@gatewaygulf.com





**iPhone** 

**Android** 

#### **BAHRAIN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Bahrain International Airport is located in Muharrag, an island about 7 km (4.3 mi) northeast of the capital Manama. It serves as the hub for the national carrier, Gulf Air. The airport is located 10 minutes from the Four Seasons by car and 15 minutes from city centre.

# INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY SECTOR

Sectoral sessions will feature exclusive insights into investment portfolios, including early stage projects revealed for the first time. Participants will explore investmentready projects in Bahrain and the GCC in an open format allowing for constructive business exchanges with regional and global investors.



Real estate Oil & gas



tourism & housing

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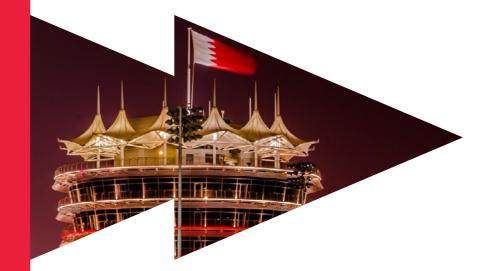


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#### Local Phone and Data Plans



The airport features local mobile network providers for ease of local and international connectivity during your stay in Bahrain. The three leading service providers are based at the airport's arrival terminal: Batelco, Viva, and Zain.

### Luggage

Lost and found inquiries should be directed to the following:

- Items lost in the terminal; Tel: +973 (17) 321 429.
- Luggage lost in the baggage reclaim area; Tel: +973 (17) 321 430,
- Possessions misplaced on the aircraft or in the customs area; Tel: +973 (17) 321 620.

#### Taxi & Transport Services



As you exit the customs area, you will find help desks managed by staff representatives to assist you with local transport options. This airport presence will be ongoing from 7-9 of May.

### Shuttle Airport Transfers ••••

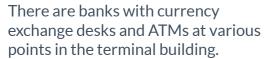


If you reserved your accommodation in one of the selected hotels, please note that a shuttle service from the airport to your hotel will be available the 8 and 9 May every hour from 8am to 8pm.

#### **Prearranged Airport Transfers**

You may want to pre-arrange an airport transfer through the concierge at the hotel of your choosing.

### Money



#### Other Local Transport Options



Mobile app-based service providers are also a convenient option. Uber and Careem are frequently used services with access to the Bahrain Airport.

### Business lounge



Three premium lounges are situated in the departures area, each of which serves food and is equipped with a range of business services.

#### **BAHRAIN VISA**

Currently all those wishing to enter the Kingdom of Bahrain require an entry visa. Exempt from this rule are nationals of the Gulf Cooperation Council.

All guests of Gateway Gulf will be issued an entry visa upon registering. Prior to traveling to Bahrain, please ensure you have a printed copy of your visa letter and verify that your passport is valid for at least 6 months from the date of your arrival in Bahrain. For additional information please contact registration@gatewaygulf.com.



#### FOUR SEASONS HOTEL BAHRAIN BAY

Bahrain Bay, Manama, Bahrain

Tel. +973 1711 5000

Forum

Venue

Registration

Fax. +973 1711 5001



You can collect your badge upon arrival at the registration centre located at the Arcapita Building, starting from 7 May. Please ensure that you have your badge with you at all times to facilitate your access throughout the venue. Please note, for security reasons, you must present your passport or identity card to collect your badge.

#### 7 May

From 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

8 May

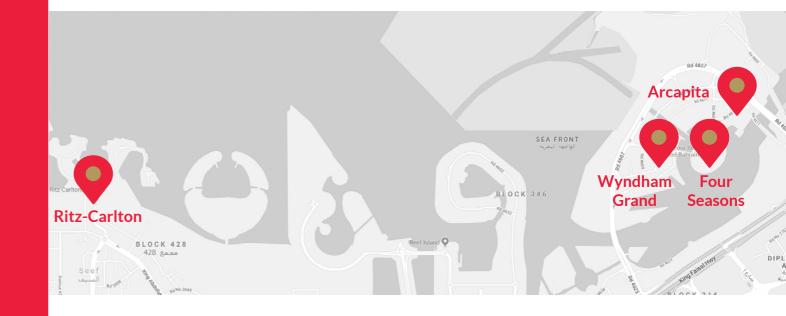
From 9:00 am to 10:00 pm

9 May

From 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

10 May

From 8:00 am to 6:00 pm



#### FOUR SEASONS HOTEL BAHRAIN BAY

Bahrain Bay, Manama, Bahrain

Tel: +973 1711 5000

Deluxe Room

Superior Room 149 BHD / \$ 402

161 BHD / \$ 435

Premier Room 173 BHD / \$467 Four Seasons Deluxe Suite 306 BHD / \$826

Suite

FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

Bahrain Bay

276 BHD / \$ 745

Four Seasons Executive

\*All rates above are based on bed and breakfast, single occupancy.

You can book your hotel room through the following link and use the code CI0518EDR to take advantage of the event's special rates. Meanwhile you can also download and contact the hotel through their mobile application.

#### WYNDHAM GRAND MANAMA

Bahrain Bay, Manama, Bahrain

Tel: +973 1711 6116

Club Superior

#### reservationsbh@wyndham.com

**Deluxe Room** 81 BHD/\$219 Club Deluxe Twin 132 BHD / \$ 356 93 BHD/\$251 138 BHD / \$ 373 **Junior Suite** Club Junior Suite Club One Bedroom 150 BHD / \$405 One Bedroom Suite 105 BHD / \$ 284 Suite

WYNDHAM GRAND

\*All rates above are based on bed and breakfast, single occupancy.

111 BHD / \$ 300

The Wyndham Grand Manama is located in the heart of Bahrain Bay with spacious rooms and suites, offering exceptional views of the Arabian Gulf and Manama skyline. It is a 1 minute drive to the Gateway Gulf forum venue. For your convenience, a shuttle bus service will support your transport between the forum venue and the hotel. For reservations, please use the code 050718RIC to benefit from the forum's special rates using the hotel's dedicated reservation portal.

THE RITZ - CARLTON

#### THE RITZ CARLTON BAHRAIN

Bldg. 112, King Mohammed VI, Block 428, Al Seef District, Manama, Bahrain

Tel: +973 1758 0000

Deluxe Room 107 BHD / \$ 289

Club Room 158 BHD / \$ 427 Club Suite 194 BHD / \$ 524

\*All rates above are based on bed and breakfast, single occupancy.

The Ritz Carlton is located along the Arabian Gulf features a private white-sand beach that stretches to a private lagoon and island. It is a 15 minutes drive to the Gateway Gulf forum venue. For your convenience, a transfers service will support your transport between the forum venue and the hotel. For reservations, please contact the Group Reservation at rc.bahrz.group.reserbations@ritzcarlton.com or by phone at +973 6638 8039 to benefit from the forum's special rates.

#### Transportation between **Hotels and Forum Venue**

A shuttle service will be available to facilitate the transport of guests between the Wyndham and Ritz Carlton hotels and the Four Seasons. Guests are encouraged to utilize these executive services in order to make security check procedures smooth and less time consuming. A timetable will be available at each hotel's welcome desk.

#### Dress Code

The dress code is business attire for the working sessions and business casual for recreational activities.

#### Language & Interpretation

English and Arabic are the primary languages for simultaneous translation during the various event sessions Chinese translation is available in plenary sessions.

#### **Temperature**

The average temperature in May ranges between 26°C (79°F) to 34°C (93°F).

#### **Mobile Phone**

#### Roaming

International roaming agreements exist with some mobile phone companies and coverage is usually good. WIFI is provided at the Four Seasons.

#### Country emergency numbers

Please find below the important emergency numbers you may find useful at a time of emergency.

Police/Fire department: 999

Ambulance: 998

Emergency - Coast Guard (CGD): 994

## Lost & Found ?



While the organizing committee is not responsible for any personal belongings left unattended, we ask that you refer to the staff at the Registration Desk at Arcapita to inquire about misplaced personal belongings.

#### Time Zone



GMT/UTC+3 - At noon in Bahrain, it is: 9am in London, 10am in Paris and 4am in New York.







New York

**Electricity** 

Electricity in Bahrain is 230 Volts, alternating at 50 Hz cycles per second. If you travel to Bahrain with a device that does not accept 230 Volts at 50 Hertz, you will need a voltage converter. Bahrain uses electrical outlet Type G.

### Currency

The currency in Bahrain is the Bahraini Dinar (BDH)

1BHD = 2.66 USD / 1USD = 0.38BHD 1BHD = 1.8639 EUR / 1EUR = 0.47 BHD

Several ATMs can be located at the airport and in various commercial and business centres. Nonetheless, credit card are accepted by all merchants and for ease of transacting.

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#### Bahrain Museum

One of the first museums in the Gulf, the Bahrain National Museum opened in 1988. The site, itself on the edge of the sea, is a tremendous attraction, adding to its contemporary ambiance which is influenced by the white travertine facade and dramatic courtyard decorated with contemporary sculptures.



#### Al Fateh Grand Mosque

The Al-Fateh Mosque is one of the largest mosques in the world, encompassing 6,500 square meters and having the capacity to accommodate over 7,000 worshippers at a time. The mosque is the largest place of worship in Bahrain.



The Bahrain International Circuit is a motor sport venue opened in 2004 and used for drag racing, GP2 and the annual Bahrain Grand Prix. The 2004 Grand Prix was the first held in the Middle East.

#### Soug Bab Al Bahrain

Located in the heart of old Manama, Bab Al Bahrain is an important commercial and tourism icon, making it one of Bahrain's most important construction projects.

From traditional Arabic coffee to a contemporary western cappuccino, the Soug offers a mixture of both traditional and modern products by the best local names.

Here you may shop for unique products such as traditional perfumes, jewellery and sweets, local handicrafts, antiques, carpets, local spices, teas and much more.



#### Old Houses of Muharraq

Muharrag, the former capital of Bahrain, is known for its cultural splendour and traditional Bahraini houses on the town's narrow streets. The Shaikh Isa bin Ali house is Bahrain's most impressive example of Gulf Islamic architecture featuring four courtyards and beautiful carved wooden doors and perforated panels.

#### Tree of Life

The Tree of Life [Shajarat-al-Hayat] is approximately 400 years, 32 feet or 9.75 meters high. A Prosopis Cineraria, the tree stands on top of a 25-foot or 7.6-m high sandy

The tree is a local tourist attraction, as it is the only major tree growing in the area. The tree is visited by approximately 50,000 tourists every year.

#### Souk al Qaisariya

One of the oldest sections of the Muharrag Sug, Sug al Qaisariya offers a charming shopping experience. Currently undergoing extensive restoration work by the Ministry of Culture, the first phase of the project, which has been completed, features a number of renovated shops, selling a variety of products ranging from pearls to spices and tea, as well as a traditional café Zaafaran - arranged around a number of historic madbassahs.





#### **About Bahrain EDB**

The Bahrain Economic Development Board (EDB) is an investment promotion agency with overall responsibility for attracting investment into the Kingdom and supporting initiatives that enhance the investment climate. The EDB works with the government and both current and prospective investors to ensure that Bahrain's investment climate is attractive, to communicate the key strengths, and to identify where opportunities exist for further economic growth through investment. The EDB focuses on several economic sectors that capitalize on Bahrain's competitive advantages. These sectors include financial services, manufacturing, ICT, tourism, logistics and transport. Sectoral sessions will feature exclusive insights into investment portfolios, including early stage projects revealed for the first time. Participants will explore investment-ready projects in Bahrain and the GCC in an open format allowing for constructive business exchanges with regional and global investors.



