

## **MEIRA Newsletter**

**15 November 2018** 

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## Weekend reading list

- > The impetus for change: A GCC perspective on shareholder activism. *Executive Magazine* Read more
- > Love it or hate it, volatility is back: How pros contend with it. Bloomberg Read more
- > Spotlight on: Talking to investors. IR Magazine Read more

## **MEIRA** updates

#### Clemence Piot, MEIRA General Manager, will step down in December 2018

Clemence Piot has decided to step down from her General Manager position and will leave the organisation by December 2018. Clemence, who joined the Association four years ago,



has been instrumental in the growth and outreach of the Association in the Middle East and in developing key projects and initiatives, including the development of new chapters and the MEIRA Annual Conference and Awards.

Commenting on this, Andrew Tarbuck, MEIRA Chairman, said:
"We are thankful to Clemence for her terrific efforts over the

past four years to drive MEIRA to the next level and we wish her the best of luck in her future projects. On behalf of the MEIRA Board, I would like to assure all of our members and stakeholders that MEIRA operations will continue as usual during this transitional period and that the process for finding Clemence's replacement is well under way. The appointment of a new General Manager will be announced in due course."

#### **Publications**



#### The Ultimate Guide to Hybrid AGM - by LUMI

Annual meetings have traditionally been hosted in a physical location, to allow shareholders to directly engage with the Board and ultimately hold them to account. However, with the increasingly global diversity of the shareholder and membership base, legislation is slowly changing around the world, to allow for the possibility of remote attendees at a meeting, thereby creating a virtual element. This E-book

summarizes the main peculiarities of Hybrid AGM.

**Download the E-book here** 

#### **Events**

#### What's coming?

#### MEIRA Kuwait Chapter Meeting & IR Seminar - 26 November, Kuwait

The MEIRA Kuwait Chapter Meeting will take place on the 26th of November. The Chapter Meeting is an exclusive networking event for MEIRA members and IR professionals to discuss the latest updates on the IR landscape.



The event will be followed by an Investor Relations seminar organised in collaboration with Boursa Kuwait titled "Kuwait Financial Market Outlook". The guest speaker of this event is Mr. Mohammed Al Abdulqader, Assistant Vice President,

MENA Equity Kuwait Financial Center, Markaz, who will share an overlook of the Kuwaiti economy from a macro prospective, including markets performance, profitability indicators and the impacts of upgrading the market to the FTSE and MSCI indices, among other relevant topics.

#### **MEIRA Kuwait Chapter Meeting:**

Date: Monday, 26 November, 2018

Timing: 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Venue: Chairman's Club, KIPCO Tower

#### **Kuwait Financial Market Outlook Seminar:**

Date: Monday, 26 November, 2018

**Timing:** 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm

Venue: Boursa Kuwait AlKharafi Hall

If you would like to attend these events, please RSVP to <a href="mailto:events@meira.me">events@meira.me</a>



of December in Riyadh.

MEIRA Saudi Chapter Seminar: "What analysts expect from an IRO" - 5 December, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

The MEIRA Saudi Chapter is organising an IR

Seminar in collaboration with the Tadawul on the 5th

The panel, titled "What Analysts expect from an IRO", will welcome the following panelists:

- > Rayan Al Karawi, Head of Investor Relations, Zain, and MEIRA Saudi Chapter Chairman
- > Faisal Al Azmeh, CFA Executive Director, Global Investment Research, Goldman Sachs
- > Iyad K. Ghulam, Senior Equity Research Analyst Securities, NCB Capital

The panel will be moderated by Munirah Alzahrani, Head of Investor Relations, Almarai, and MEIRA Saudi Chapter Board member.

The session will be complemented with presentations by the MEIRA Saudi Chapter about IR best practice.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to <a href="mailto:events@meira.me">events@meira.me</a>

#### **Upcoming Events Calendar**

MEIRA & CFA Institute MOU signing ceremony: 21 November (Dubai, UAE)

MEIRA Dubai Chapter Meeting: 26 November (Dubai, UAE) Register here

MEIRA & Boursa Kuwait Seminar: 26 November (Kuwait City, Kuwait) Register here

MEIRA Abu Dhabi Chapter Meeting: 27 November (Abu Dhabi, UAE) Register here

MEIRA Saudi Chapter Seminar: 5 December (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia) Register here

Kepler Cheuvreux IR Forum: 14 December (Paris, France)

#### **International Conferences**

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**UBS GEM 1x1 Conference:** 27 - 28 November (New York, USA)

For a complete list, contact Closir here

## **Training**

#### **CIRO** programme

The Certified Investor Relations Officer programme, delivered in partnership with the London based UK IR Society, is an internationally recognised qualification in Investor Relations.

**Read more** 

The Introduction to Investor Relations course

#### CIRO Calendar 2019

Abu Dhabi: 25 - 26 - 27 June
 2019

Register now!

# Introduction to IR Calendar 2019

• Abu Dhabi: 25 June 2019

**Register now!** 

This one-day course provides an introduction to financial markets, Investor Relations and the financial environment in which Investor Relations professionals work.

**Read more** 

Are you looking for a bespoke or in-house training?

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#### **Careers**



#### MEIRA General Manager (Dubai, UAE)

The General Manager of MEIRA plays a key role in making the Association more influential and accountable within its sphere of influence. It requires a proactive person who has a genuine

interest in investor relations and the financial markets, solid leadership skills, and knowledge in association management. The candidate will need to have the energy, drive and ambition to market the work of the Association, grow the membership while keeping the Association financially stable.

#### Download the job offer here



## Bilingual Investor Relations Manager (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

A company based in Riyadh is looking for a bilingual Investor Relations Manager to develop and support a world-class IR programme; one that is recognized by analysts and investors

alike as being a leading proponent of IR in the Middle East. The IR Manager will work closely with the CEO, CFO, the Finance division and the Corporate Communications division to ensure consistent messages are delivered to stakeholders.

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#### **Emperor Dubai - Account Executive (Arabic speaker)**



Emperor is looking for an Arabic speaking Account Executive to join their rapidly growing Dubai office. This position will report directly to the Middle East regional Account Director.

#### Download the job offer here

### **Members**

We are delighted to count on the support of our new and renewed members (8 - 14 November period):











#### Do you want to join MEIRA?

Don't miss the opportunity to join our IR community and become a member today.

You just need to fill our <u>membership form</u> and send it to <u>info@meira.me</u> in order to finalise the process.

We are looking forward to welcoming you!

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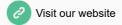
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The Middle East Investor Relations Association (MEIRA) is an independent non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the Investor Relations (IR) profession and industry standards in corporate governance. The mission of MEIRA is to enhance the reputation, efficiency and attractiveness of the Middle East capital markets.

This involves a commitment to fostering increased dialogue among its members and to encourage them to share and adopt best practice techniques within the field of IR. In partnership with stock exchanges, regulators and other market participants, MEIRA supports companies through its professional development and certification programmes as well as its membership community and network of country chapters.







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