

MEIRA Newsletter

29 August 2019

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Weekend reading list

- > GCC IPOs see slight increase. *IR Magazine* [Read more](#)
- > Volatility is back and here to stay. *Arab News* [Read more](#)
- > Beyond commodities – how the Middle East markets are diversifying by investing in new sectors. *Euromoney Blog* [Read more](#)

Publications



2019 Mid-Year Outlook: Navigating an extended cycle - by BNY Mellon

BNY Mellon has recently published a report which analyses the main changes that have impacted the global economy and markets over the past six months.

Some takeaways:

- > Sustained slower global growth
- > U.S. recession risk remains low
- > Central banks seek to extend the long expansion
- > Bond yields lower for longer
- > Equities resilient, even in the midst of global trade headwinds
- > Downside risks have increased, but investors likely to be rewarded for maintaining exposure

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Events

What's coming?

2019 Calendar of Events

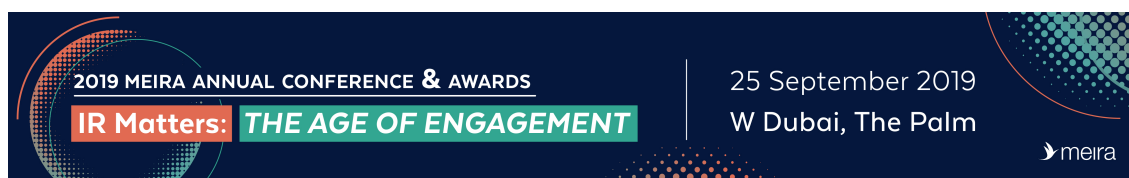
MEIRA Bahrain Chapter Meeting: 17 September (Manama, Bahrain)

2019 MEIRA Annual Conference & Awards: 25 September (Dubai, UAE)

MEIRA & Bloomberg IR Breakfast: 26 September (Dubai, UAE)

2019 IR Magazine Global Forum & Awards: 2-3 October (Paris, France)

[Check our online calendar of events](#)



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Keynote Speaker

**H.E. Dr. Obaid Al Zaabi, Chief Executive Officer,
Securities and Commodities Authority**

Check the latest version of the agenda and the speakers' profiles on our dedicated website.

We are honoured to welcome H.E. Dr. Obaid Al Zaabi, Chief Executive Officer at the Securities and Commodities Authority (SCA) as our keynote speaker.

During the day, we will be also hearing from international IR experts on different topics such as ESG, diversity issues and we will discuss the current investment trends

with our panel of investors moderated by William Tohme, CFA, Regional Head - MENA at CFA Institute.

[> Detailed agenda on our conference site](#)

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MEIRA & BLOOMBERG IR BREAKFAST

26 September - The IR Breakfast is back!

MEIRA, in collaboration with Bloomberg, is organising its traditional IR Breakfast on **26 September** at Bloomberg HQ, located in DIFC. This year, the session will focus on IR best practice and how the current technology can support the day-to-day job of the regional IROs. The session aims to be an open roundtable for MEIRA members in order to discuss the latest trends and challenges in IR.

This event is exclusive for MEIRA members. Invitation and registration link will be available soon.

Upcoming events



10 September - Webinar - ESG investing: Drivers of the move towards sustainable financial markets (by Refinitiv)

Refinitiv would like to invite MEIRA members to a complimentary webinar to hear from Franita Neuville, Market Development Manager for Investment & Advisory, on how drivers such as client demand, regulation, the transfer of wealth and climate change are driving the shift towards sustainable financial and economic markets.

The webinar will also cover how ESG investing is being incorporated by asset managers and owners, from using it as an input in the investment decision making process, to incorporating it as a key part of a company's strategy.

[Registration and details here](#)

International Conferences

International Conferences Calendar

HSBC GEMs Investor Forum: 3-5 Sep (London, UK)

EFG Hermes 9th Annual London Conference: 9-12 Sep (London, UK)

Arqaam MENA Conference: 23-24 Sep (Dubai, UAE)

Goldman Sachs 7th CEEMEA Corporate Days: TBC Sep (Frankfurt, Germany)

Goldman Sachs 11th CEEMEA 1x1 Conference: 11-12 Nov (London, UK)

UBS GEM Conference: 3-4 Dec (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](#)

CIRO Calendar 2019

- **Dubai:** 29 - 30 - 31 October
- **Manama:** 3 - 4 - 5 November

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The Introduction to Investor Relations course

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

[Read more](#)

Introduction to IR Calendar 2019

- **Dubai:** 29 October

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in-house training?**

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(25 - 29 August period):



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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,

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