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Weekend reading list

Successful ESG Programs: Two Important Habits From High-Performing Companies (Sustainalytics)

ESG Is Going to Have a Rocky 2023. Sustainability Will Be Just Fine. (MITSloan Management Review)

A fireside Chat(GPT) (IR Magazine)

Publications



MEIRA White Paper – The AGM: Engaging your retail investors from an IR perspective

One of the key events of the year for any listed company is the General Annual Meeting (AGM). Directors from the company are expected to present to its shareholders not only the financial performance of the business but also its strategic plan for the upcoming years. Various resolutions are put to vote to shareholders including board appointments, compensations and dividend payments.

The AGM offers a unique opportunity to all the shareholders to engage with the company and its executives, however not all the shareholders have the opportunity to do so in practice.

This MEIRA white paper, in collaboration with Lumi, shares some tips on how to actively engage with retail investors in the context of an AGM and what it means to IROs.

MEIRA Updates



Announcement: New MEIRA Board Members

MEIRA is pleased to announce that Patrick Clerkin, Senior Managing Director – Group Funding & Investor Relations at Emirates NBD, and Syeda Tabinda, IR Senior Researcher – Sustainable Investment at Muscat Exchange, have been recently appointed as MEIRA Board Directors.

Andrew Tarbuck, MEIRA Chair, said: "As MEIRA Chair, it makes me extremely proud to welcome Syeda Tabinda Bukhara and Patrick Clerkin to the MEIRA Board. At MEIRA, we do what we preach, and ensuring that the MEIRA Board reflects the diversity of our membership base is a corporate governance exercise that we take very seriously. In our efforts to enhance MEIRA's presence in all our chapters, we are honoured to count on Syeda Tabinda Bukhara as our new MEIRA Board Director. Tabinda has been a long-standing supporter of MEIRA and has been essential in establishing a strong partnership with both the Muscat Exchange and the Capital Market Authority in Oman. Tabinda is a certified IRO and currently heads the Oman Chapter, sharing the views and needs of our members in the Sultanate.

Equally important is to make sure that we have a fair and balanced representation of our main membership audience, the Investor Relations Officers (IROs). Patrick Clerkin brings an exceptional track record as an IRO in the UAE as Senior Managing Director – Group Funding & Investor Relations at Emirates NBD. He has been recognised numerous times

capital markets ecosystem".

Commenting on her appointment, **Tabinda** shared: "After a decade long association with MEIRA I welcome this important development opportunity and thank MEIRA for the trust they have placed in me by appointing me on this aspiring board. MEIRA has always been a community of proactive IR thinkers and over the last decade has helped shape the current IR landscape in the region, a function necessary for engaging ideas for sustainable growth. Thus I look forward to working closely with this esteemed board in bringing diverse perspectives to the agenda and continue to partake in the set course of finding where the greatest values lie in Middle Eastern Capital Market IR journey".

Excited about his new role, **Patrick** added: "It is an absolute honour and privilege to join the MEIRA Board. MEIRA's Board and leadership have developed the Association into an accomplished, relevant and valuable resource for Investor Relation Officers across the Middle East. I am excited and look forward to the challenge of contributing to MEIRA's ongoing success".

Events



Don't miss the opportunity to participate in this exciting event and click on the buttons below to know all the details!

MEIRA Events Calendar 2023

- 2 MSX Investors Roadshow in Riyadh
- 6 CIRO Bootcamp / Intro to IR
- 12 MEIRA roadshow in GCC
- 13 Bahrain Chapter meeting
- 14 Oman Chapter meeting
- 15 KSA Chapter meeting
- 17 UAE Chapter meeting
- 27 Integrating ESG / Sustainability into IR
- 3 GCMA-MEIRA Iftar 2023 (by invitation only)



Know more





Registration



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Professional Development



Integrating ESG into IR

Do you want to understand ESG from an IR perspective? Join this 4-hour online training course to learn the principles of ESG and sustainability reporting.





CIRO Bootcamp

Do you want to get certified as an IRO? Register for the 1-day online bootcamp to get ready for your CIRO exam. We will review the content and share some useful tips too.

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