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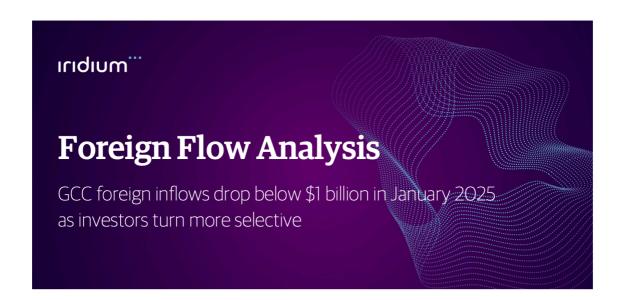
Weekend reading list

The case for enhanced disclosure and forward guidance in the GCC ($\underline{\mathsf{FTI}}$ $\underline{\mathsf{Consulting}}$)

Saudi economy grows 1.3% in 2024 after Q4 surge (<u>Arabian Gulf Business Insight</u>)

How the Middle East tackles the evolving digital risk landscape for 2025 (\underline{EY})

Publications



Iridium **Foreign Flows Analysis** finds that inflows into GCC equity markets dropped to \$939 million in January 2025, down from \$1.04 billion in December and \$1.42 billion in November.

Key takeaways:

• Saudi Arabia (+\$694 million) led the region, maintaining its dominance in cumulative inflows.

reassessing valuations after strong market performance in 2024.

• Qatar (+\$8 million) reversed last month's outflows but remains the weakest market for foreign capital.

For a deeper dive into the findings download the report:

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The **Saudi Capital Market Awards 2024**, organised by Saudi Tadawul Group, are just around the corner. These annual awards recognise the accomplishments of key participants who are driving the advancement of the Saudi Capital Market across 17 distinct categories.

We are delighted to collaborate one more year on this awards process. MEIRA will be leading the judging process of the categories of **Investor Relations Program of the year 2024** and **ESG Program of The Year 2024**.

The announcement of the winners will be at the Capital Market Forum, held in Riyadh in February 2025.

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MEIRA Updates



2025 MEIRA IR Best Practice Awards - Voting is Now Open!

The polling for the 2025 MEIRA IR Best Practice Awards has officially started! This annual event recognises the best investor relations (IR) programmes and professionals in the Middle East, including top CEOs and CFOs, based on the highly regarded Developed Europe and Emerging EMEA Executive Team Survey by Extel.

Here's what makes this process special:

democratic selection.

• **Comprehensive Evaluation:** Results are based on over 20 performance metrics and the number of votes, creating a balanced assessment of IR effectiveness and impact.

Key Details:

- Corporate Insights Survey:
 - Confirm your contact details **HERE**.
 - Share insights about your IR practices, budgets, ESG, AI, and market interactions <u>HERE</u>.
 - Submit your Buy-side and Sell-side contact lists to boost participation
 HERE
- Buy- and Sell-Side Survey: Runs from January 20 to February 21.

Issuers can actively promote the survey to their Buy- and Sell-side contacts to increase participation and ensure their efforts are recognized by key stakeholders. This is a unique opportunity to amplify your company's visibility and strengthen engagement with the investment community.

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