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URGENT CALL FOR ENTREPRENEURS AND BUSINESSES TO APPLY FOR THE PRESTIGIOUS BAHRAIN AWARD FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP



Manama, Bahrain- Thursday, 12th **December 2015:** The Organizing Committee of The Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship announced that the registration and nomination period is underway, for Bahraini companies keen to participate in the award's 2nd Edition, held under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Chairman of Economic Development Board.

According to Faisal Sultan, Project Manager of The Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship, "We are expecting more nominations from companies until the deadline on 31st December 2015. We extend our invitation to companies to submit their nominations in this initiative which aims to provide valuable incentives and prizes, highlight entrepreneurial success across all industries, and underline their vital contribution to economic development."

The Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship will accept nominations in six award categories: Microenterprise of the Year, Start-up of the Year, SME of the Year, Sustainable Business Award, Enterprise of the Year with International Footprint and Female Entrepreneur of the Year. A seventh category, the Lifetime Achievement Award, will be granted in honor of entrepreneurs who have demonstrated an exemplary track record of performance in business.

The award will provide a financial package in support of entrepreneurial ventures with provisions for growth programmes and business mentoring by strategic partners which include the Economic Development Board, Bahrain Development Bank and the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, complemented by its knowledge advisors led by the Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Tourism, E&Y Bahrain and UNIDO AICEI.

Information on the Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship, including the detailed eligibility criteria, evaluation criteria, and application forms are available on the Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship Website at www.BahrainAE.com. Enterprises need to apply directly by visiting the 'Apply Now' link, and Enterprises can be nominated for an award through the Nomination Form available at the website. Once nominated, the nominee will receive an e-Invite, inviting them to submit an application for the award category chosen by the nominator. It is not necessary for enterprises or entrepreneurs to be nominated to apply for an award.

For more details about The Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship, visit www.bahrainae.com or social media channels Twitter, Instagram and Facebook via @bahrainae.

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