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## BAHRAIN AWARD FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP OPENS VOTING FOR PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD CATEGORY

Interactive online public vote set to choose winner

Manama, Saturday, 14th February, 2015:

The Bahrain Award for Entrepreneurship is an innovative initiative designed to cement Bahrain's position as the regional hub for aspiring business owners and entrepreneurship. In its first year, the Awards have been launched with the partnership of Tamkeen, EDB, BDB, and Knowledge advisors BCCI, UNIDO, EY Bahrain and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

As part of the Awards, an online poll for one of its categories, the People's Choice Award, has just been launched. This interactive element allows the public to choose winners simply by clicking on their entry of choice on the official awards website <a href="https://www.BahrainAE.com">www.BahrainAE.com</a>. The online vote was launched on February 10<sup>th</sup> and remains open until 1pm on February 21<sup>st</sup> and everyone is encouraged to vote.

The People's Choice Award semifinalists as listed on the website are:

Bayanat DMC, Namaste, Sugar & Lace and Wood Jewelry for Micro-Enterprise of the Year; Amina Gallery, EAT, Obai & Hill and Startup Bahrain for Startup of the Year; Creative Style, Designer Shaik, Ideas Information Technology and Maya La Chocolaterie for Enterprise of the Year (SMEs); 2Connect W.L.L, Abdulla Ahmed Nass & Sons Co., Dadabhai Travel & Tours Co W.L.L and KMC Holding for Enterprise of the Year (Large Companies); and Almoayyed Contracting Group, BMMI, Reef Arabia and The K Hotel for the Sustainable Business Award.

Winners in each award category have the chance to further sustain their businesses and grow for the future, as some of the prizes include enrollment in development programmes; startup funding capital; business coaching; business incubators and accelerators; growth plan development in addition to training and certification.

For further information please visit <a href="www.BahrainAE.com">www.BahrainAE.com</a>, follow Twitter, Instagram and Facebook account on @BahrainAE, contact the award's hotline on 17000710 between 7.30am and 11pm or email <a href="mailto:info@BahrainAE.com">info@BahrainAE.com</a>.

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