

Global Finance Names The World's Best Emerging Markets Banks In The Middle East 2016

NEW YORK, March 15, 2016 — *Global Finance* magazine has named the World's Best Emerging Markets Banks in the Middle East in an exclusive survey to be published in the May 2016 issue. *Global Finance* editors—with input from industry analysts, corporate executives and banking consultants—selected the best emerging markets bank in the region and in 13 countries. Criteria for choosing the winners included growth in assets, profitability, strategic relationships, customer service, competitive pricing, and innovative products. In addition, a poll of *Global Finance's* corporate readership was conducted in order to increase the accuracy and reliability of the results.

This is the twenty-third year that the magazine has selected top banking performers in emerging markets. The survey awards winners in Africa, Asia-Pacific, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

"The world's banks continue to deal with a number of headwinds—including geopolitical risk, volatile economic and market conditions and still-changing regulatory regimes," said Joseph D. Giarraputo, publisher and editorial director of *Global Finance*.

"We honor those banks that excel at addressing the needs of their clients and have the deepest commitment to the markets in which they operate, despite the uncertain conditions they face."

See the next page for the full list of *Global Finance's* World's Best Emerging Markets Banks in The Middle East 2016.

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***Global Finance's* World's Best Banks 2016 Awards Ceremony**

Winners will be honored at an Awards Ceremony held during the IMF/World Bank Annual Meetings in Washington, DC on the morning of October 8 at the National Press Club.

For more information on the awards and/or the ceremony, please contact Susan Berger - email: sberger@gfmag.com

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BEST EMERGING MARKETS BANKS IN THE MIDDLE EAST 2016

Regional Winner

Arab Bank

Bahrain

Ahli United Bank

Egypt

Commercial International Bank

Iran

Bank Saderat Iran

Iraq

Bank of Baghdad

Jordan

Arab Bank

Kuwait

National Bank of Kuwait

Lebanon

Bank Audi

Oman

BankMuscat

Palestine

Bank of Palestine

Qatar

Qatar National Bank

Saudi Arabia

Samba Financial Group

United Arab Emirates

Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank

Yemen

Arab Bank Yemen

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