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## وزيــر النفــط يفتتح ملتقى جائزة التميز للمرأة القيادية في صناعة النفط والغاز

HE Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Minister of Oil, inaugurated the Excellence Award for Leading Women in the Oil and Gas Industry (LOAS 2018) on Thursday 25 October 2018, which was held on the grounds of the Bahrain International Exhibition Center. Under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates

The meeting was attended by a number of leading engineers in government institutions, government agencies, oil and industrial companies, and the relevant official and civil authorities in the GCC countries to enhance communication, improve knowledge and learn the best practices used in the oil and gas industry in the GCC .countries

The Minister praised the role played by the wise government in providing various facilities to hold events, activities, conferences and exhibitions specialized and public on the beloved land of Bahrain because of its great impact on the national economy. He

praised the efforts of the organizers in hosting the activities of the Excellence Award for Women In the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Oil and Gas Sector (GTZ), in the first edition of the GCC World Refining Conference and Exhibition, which was in line with the ways the Supreme Council for Women Leadership excellence for women and the promotion of innovation, leadership, achievement and women's talent in academia and .the commercial and industrial sectors in the field of oil and gas

During his opening speech, the Minister of Oil welcomed the participating Gulf delegations wishing them good stay in their country of the Kingdom of Bahrain and benefiting from the scientific and practical papers that will be witnessed in the meetings and events of the forum and wishing them success in their conference and achieving the goals they aspire to. The Minister also congratulated all the honored women who were honored at the ceremony of the Excellence Award for Leading Women in the Oil and Gas Industry in the GCC countries for their excellence in their work and initiatives and the remarkable level achieved by them during their careers according to the international regional standards, wishing them success in their scientific life. And operation. His Excellency praised the efforts of the Leadership Excellence Award for Women (LEWA) headed by Mrs. Reem Al-Ghanim for the efforts exerted by the team members and the Arbitration Committee in preparation, preparation and level of reputation achieved by the Kingdom of Bahrain in the industry of conferences and exhibitions

He stressed that the National Oil and Gas Authority pays special and qualitative attention to the holding of this kind of forum in support of the empowerment of Bahraini women and the sustainability of their professional development and enhancing their ability to achieve and participate effectively in all fields of the oil and gas sector. In compliance with the directives of Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka Bint President of the Supreme Council for Women in the empowerment of women in all fields Ms. Afaf Zain Al Abidine was recently appointed as Director General for Financial and Administrative Affairs of the Holding Company for Oil and Gas Investment Of the .National Oil and Gas Authority

The long-term success and sustainability of the oil and gas industry depends heavily on developing the capabilities of its human cadres, including women, by providing appropriate education and training, supporting the best women's talent and competencies, and updating and developing programs that promote innovation, leadership and achievement, he said. The oil and gas industry in the GCC countries. He also pointed out that the oil and industrial sector in the Kingdom of Bahrain and the GCC countries is full of women leaders and competencies, who are working hard to achieve the good and growth of their countries

The meeting included a number of discussion and dialogue sessions attended by a distinguished group of speakers from the Gulf and international oil and industrial companies including Fatima Sherif Musa from Gulf Petrochemical Industries Company (GPIC), Dr. Abeer Al-Olayan from Saudi Aramco, Ms. Reem Al-Anbari from ADNOC, .From ADNOC and Ms. Nila Baqer from Kuwait National Petroleum Company

It is worth mentioning that the meeting of the Excellence Award for Women Leadership in the Oil and Gas Industry (LIAAS 2018) aims at highlighting the ways to involve, empower and raise the level of women in the oil and gas industry in the GCC countries and celebrate the development march witnessed by Gulf women leading distinct from development, The achievements of great quality have contributed directly to the development boom witnessed by their countries in the oil industry. The forum will also shed light on the discussion of ways to explore the future of Gulf leadership women in this vital industry and the driving strategies to enable their presence and progress in the oil industry and other related industries, as well as discuss the challenges they face .in achieving their aspirations in different development sectors

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