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Bahrain allows investors to purchase bonds & sukuk from the Primary Market

06/01/2015-- Bahrain Bourse (BHB) launched, for the first time among stock exchanges and financial markets in the Middle East a mechanism that allows investors, both individuals and institutions, to have direct ownership in government bonds and sukuk in the primary market

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Tehran SE turns 47!

04/02/2015-- On this occasion, Dr. Ghalibaf Asl, TSE's CEO, extended his congratulations and recalled all the challenges and developments of the past 47 years.

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ADX & NBAD launch market making

05/02/2015-- Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) announced that National Bank of Abu Dhabi (NBAD) will operate in the exchange as the UAE's first market maker.

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Amman Stock Exchange started applying the amended directives for listing

10/02/2015-- The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) started applying the amended Directives for Listing Securities on Amman Stock Exchange for the year 2012 as of December 9, 2014, issued by virtue of the provisions of Article (72) of the Securities Law No. 76 of 2002 which was recently amended by the decision of the Board of Commissioners of Jordan Securities Commission (JSC).

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Securities Commission Malaysia's new regulation on Equity Crowdfunding (ECF) Platforms

10/02/2015-- Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) released the Guidelines on Regulation of Markets under Section 34 of the Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 to introduce new requirements for the registration of equity crowdfunding (ECF) platforms and provide governance arrangement for the operator of such platforms.

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The first partnership agreement at Borsa İstanbul Private Market signed

24/02/2015-- The first partnership agreement at BIST Private Market signed between BIST members Modanisa and STC Ventures. BIST Private Market brings entrepreneurs and investors together by way of partnerships for increased financing and liquidity and it has reached 200 members in very short period of time since establishment in November 2014.

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Borsa İstanbul's bell rings for gender equality

06/03/2015-- Bell-ringing ceremony was held at Borsa İstanbul today in cooperation with United Nations Women Empowerment and Gender Equality Unit (UN Women), UN Global Compact, and Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative (SSE) in order to raise awareness on gender equality and empower women in economy.

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The Palestine Exchange launches its disclosure system "IFSAH"

11/03/2015-- The Palestine Exchange launches its disclosure system "IFSAH" PEX launched today its disclosure system "IFSAH" in a press conference attended by representatives of local media and held at the Palestine Capital Market Authority premises in Ramallah.

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Borsa İstanbul VIOP launches steel scrap futures trading

16/03/2015-- Borsa İstanbul Derivatives Market (VIOP) is adding a new futures contract to its existing commodity based futures. The new Turkish steel scrap futures contract will be trading at VIOP on April 2nd, 2015.

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Borsa İstanbul and HKEx/LME agree to partnership

18/03/2015-- The London Metal Exchange (LME) and Borsa İstanbul A.S. are entering into two agreements under which: (i) Borsa İstanbul will acquire the LME's stake in the clearing house LCH.Clearnet; and (ii) Borsa İstanbul, the LME and LME's parent company Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing (HKEx) will partner on the dissemination of market data.

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Kazakhstan Stock Exchange moves to T+2 settlement cycle in 2015

20/03/2015-- Kazakhstan Stock Exchange is pleased to announce that it plans to adopt a universally accepted by investors worldwide T+2 settlement cycle this year. Currently, settlement of transactions with securities takes place on a trade-by-trade basis under the same day settlement scheme. During the first stage of migration to universally accepted settlement cycle T+2, it will apply to the most liquid securities – shares of KASE Index. Later T+2 will be gradually introduced to other financial instruments traded on KASE.

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http://www.kase.kz/files/press/en/15_03_20_T+2.pdf

Turkey becomes the first country - member of the United Nations of Business Angels

23/03/2015-- Turkey becomes the First Country-Member of the United Nations of Business Angels. In line with the decision unanimously taken by the founding members, The Business Angels Association of Turkey (TBAA) will represent Turkey in Washington D.C.

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GCC citizens will be treated as Qatari citizens

25/03/2015-- Qatar Central Securities Depository (QCSD) announced that it has amended the ownership limits on its systems, so that the GCC citizens will be treated as Qatari citizens in terms of owning shares of the companies listed on Qatar Stock Exchange.

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