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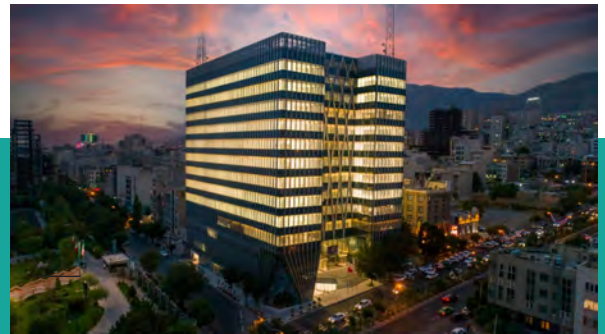


Technology and Innovation Subsidiary of Saudi Tadawul Group WAMID Launches "WAMID Analytics", a New Suite of Advanced Market Analytics Solutions

04/01/2026

WAMID, the technology and innovation arm of Saudi Tadawul Group (STG), announced the launch of WAMID Analytics, a comprehensive suite of advanced market analytics solutions designed to enhance transparency, insight, and efficiency across the Saudi Arabian and global capital markets. Developed in collaboration with BMLL Technologies (BMLL), WAMID Analytics enables local and international market participants to access sophisticated analytics tools for regional and global markets.

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From Classroom to Trading Floor: Tehran Securities Exchange Hosts over 250 Students for Immersive Capital Market Experience

05/01/2026

More than 250 university students visited Tehran Securities Exchange (TSE) during the Fall 2025 as part of the Exchange's ongoing educational outreach initiative. TSE's "From Classroom to Trading Floor" program, a 90-minute immersive session designed to provide students with direct, unmediated exposure to Iran's premier securities exchange.

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Dubai Clear and Nasdaq Dubai Receive European Securities and Markets Authority "ESMA" Tier 1 Recognition

07/01/2026

Dubai Clear and Nasdaq Dubai announced that they have been formally granted Tier 1 Third-Country Central Counterparty (CCP) recognition by the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA). This recognition makes Dubai Clear and Nasdaq Dubai the only central counterparties (CCP) in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) to achieve ESMA Tier 1 status, underscoring financial market infrastructure credibility of United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Dubai's emergence as a globally recognised centre for internationally aligned post-trade services.

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Amman Stock Exchange Holds Educational Lecture at the University of Jordan

07/01/2026

The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) participated in an educational lecture on "The Amman Stock Exchange: Opportunities and Challenges" organized by the Faculty of Business at the University of Jordan for students enrolled in the "Job Readiness Skills (2)" course, which was held on the university campus. During the lecture, the importance of the stock exchange to the economy, its operational nature, the technical and legislative frameworks governing it, its most significant developments and achievements, its future plans, and the challenges it faces were discussed.

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Bursa Malaysia's First ever Quality Factor Indexes Showcase Companies with Strong Financial Characteristics

12/01/2026

Bursa Malaysia launched the Bursa Malaysia Quality 50 Index (BMQ) and the Bursa Malaysia Quality 50 Shariah Index (BMQ-S), the Exchange's first in-house indexes that are based on financial performance. Unlike headline benchmarks that mainly track companies based on market capitalisation, the BMQ and BMQ-S indexes profile listed companies that demonstrate comparatively stronger financial characteristics across profitability, capital structure and earnings quality.

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Dubai Financial Services Authority Implements Major Updates to Crypto Token Regulatory Framework, Enhancing Market Integrity and Supporting Innovation in Dubai International Financial Centre

12/01/2026

The Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA) has brought into force its updated regulatory framework for Crypto Tokens in Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC). The enhanced rules strengthen the DFSA's regime, provide greater clarity for market participants, and support the development of a safe, transparent, and well-regulated digital assets environment.

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Dubai Financial Services Authority Held a Webinar on Updated Crypto Token Regulatory Framework and Dubai International Financial Centre's Digital Assets Ecosystem

13/01/2026

The Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA) held a webinar to discuss the updated Crypto Token Regulatory Framework and to outline how Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) supports the development of a safe, transparent, and forward-looking digital assets market.

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Under the Directives and Patronage of Maktoum bin Mohammed, Dubai Future Finance Week 2026 Set to Convene Global Leaders Across Finance, Policy, Technology and Investment from 11 to 15 May 2026

14/01/2026

The inaugural edition of Dubai Future Finance Week (DFFW) will take place from 11 to 15 May 2026, convening international leaders from the finance, policy, technology and investment sectors through a coordinated programme of high-level forums held across the emirate. As global financial markets undergo accelerated structural change, the Week will provide a strategic platform for dialogue, collaboration and the exchange of insights on the future of the global financial ecosystem.

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Qatar Stock Exchange Lists First Sustainable Bond in Market's History Issued by Doha Bank

14/01/2026

In a new step aimed at deepening the capital market and enhancing the diversification of sustainable financing instruments in the State of Qatar, Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE) announced the listing of the first sustainability-compliant banking bond (Sustainable Bond). The bond, issued by Doha Bank, has been listed on QSE's Debt Instruments Market.

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Amman Stock Exchange Holds a Training Workshop in Cooperation with CLENERGIZE Titled “ESG Reporting Readiness”

15/01/2026

As part of Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) efforts to enhance knowledge and build capacity in sustainability-related topics, the ASE held a training workshop titled “ESG Reporting Readiness,” in cooperation with CLENERGIZE, with the participation of representatives from companies listed on the First Market. This workshop is part of a series of training courses and workshops organized by the ASE, aimed at raising awareness among listed companies of the importance of sustainability disclosures and strengthening their commitment to relevant standards, thereby supporting corporate competitiveness and the sustainability of the national capital market.

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Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange and Saal.ai Collaborate to Design an Innovative Platform for Market Data Dissemination

20/01/2026

The Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange (ADX) Group has engaged Saal.ai to jointly design and create a next-generation market data dissemination platform to support the dynamic needs of ADX. The announcement was made on the sidelines of Unmanned Systems Exhibition and Conference (UMEX), currently being held at Abu Dhabi Exhibitions Centre (ADNEC) in Abu Dhabi, aligning the milestone with one of the region’s leading platforms for innovation and reflecting ADX’s focus on future-ready market infrastructure, while underscoring Abu Dhabi’s position as a destination for investment and capital markets development.

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Egyptian Exchange Organizes “Ring the Bell” for Signing an MoU with Egyptian African Businessmen's Association

22/01/2026

The Egyptian Exchange (EGX) hosted a “Ring-the-Bell” ceremony to commemorate the signing of a cooperation protocol with the Egyptian African Businessmen’s Association (EABA). The agreement forms part of ongoing efforts to strengthen institutional collaboration between state entities and the business community. The signing of the protocol aligns with efforts to support the national economy, advance economic integration with Africa, unlock new growth avenues for the Egyptian and African private sectors and reinforce the role of the capital market as an efficient platform for financing and investment, thereby expanding opportunities for sustainable growth.

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Amman Stock Exchange Receives a Delegation from the Jordanian Judicial Institute

22/01/2026

The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) hosted students from the Jordanian Judicial Institute as part of a field visit to the Jordanian capital market institutions, with the aim of learning about the trading mechanism in ASE, and gain insight on the nature of the work of capital market institutions and the services they provide, in addition to the legislation regulating their work, which contributes to enhancing knowledge of the importance of the role that market institutions play in the national economy.

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Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission and UAE’s Capital Market Authority Sign Milestone MoU to Strengthen Cross-Border Digital Asset Collaboration

27/01/2026

Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) and the Capital Market Authority (CMA) of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen cross-border regulatory collaboration on digital asset-related matters. The MoU establishes a framework to enhance regulatory cooperation, including mutual consultation and information exchange for supervising cross-border regulated digital asset entities.

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Algeria Issues Newly Launched Sovereign Sukuk to Support Islamic Finance Development and Strengthen Capital Market Infrastructure

29/01/2026

Algeria is advancing the development of its sukuk market under the guidance of the Ministry of Finance, as part of a broader strategy to diversify funding sources and strengthen Islamic finance. In this context, Algérie Clearing plays a key role in supporting market infrastructure by ensuring efficient processing, settlement, and safekeeping of securities. These efforts enhance transparency, attract investors and foster the growth of alternative financial instruments in Algeria.

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Chittagong Stock Exchange Partners with UNGCNB to Promote Sustainable Finance: Successful Workshop and MoU Signing Held in Chattogram

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The Chittagong Stock Exchange PLC (CSE) hosted a high-level workshop in collaboration with the United Nations Global Compact Network Bangladesh (UNGCNB), marking a significant step toward advancing Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) standards and market integrity in Bangladesh's capital market. The event, titled "Advancing ESG & Market Integrity: Opportunities for Bangladesh", brought together industry leaders, listed companies, investors, regulators, and stakeholders for strategic dialogue on harmonizing corporate growth with ethical transparency, sustainability and responsible business practices.

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**Saudi Exchange
Announces the ETFs
Market Making
Framework**
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Borsa İstanbul and International Finance Corporation Host "Sustainable Finance Leadership Training"

06/02/2026

The International Finance Corporation (IFC), a member of the World Bank Group focused on private sector operations, convened its "Sustainable Finance Leadership Course" at Borsa İstanbul, bringing together senior staff from Türkiye, Central Asia, the Middle East, and Europe. The program gathered 43 senior IFC officials representing 18 countries at the Borsa İstanbul campus to examine the evolving landscape of global sustainable finance, with the aim of supporting World Bank Group staff to collaborate with clients to create the most effective sustainable finance solutions that foster business and economic growth, leverage local capital markets, and promote job creation across the region.

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Pakistan Capital Market Successfully Transitions to the T+1 Settlement Cycle

10/02/2026

Pakistan's Capital Market has officially transitioned to the T+1 settlement cycle, a landmark reform that strengthens efficiency, reduces risk and aligns the country with international best practices. Effective from February 9, 2026, all eligible trades at the Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) are now settled on a Trade plus one (T+1) basis, replacing the previous T+2 cycle.

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In a Historic Milestone Reflecting Market Depth and Strong International Investor Confidence Qatar Stock Exchange Lists QNB Group's QAR 1 Billion Bond, the Largest Qatari Riyal-Denominated Issuance

16/02/2026

In a new milestone underscoring the rapid development of Qatar's debt capital market and QNB Group's continued leadership in local currency funding, Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE) announced the successful listing of QNB Group's bonds, representing the largest Qatari riyal-denominated bond issuance in the history of the local market.

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International Islamic Financial Market and International Capital Market Association Formalise Strategic Partnership to Standardise Islamic Repo Markets

19/02/2026

The International Islamic Financial Market (IIFM) and the International Capital Market Association (ICMA) announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and the formal commencement of their joint initiative to develop a global standardised documentation framework for a Shari'ah-compliant repurchase agreement (Repo). The project is officially titled the IIFM/ICMA Islamic Repo (I'aadat Al Shira'a) Master Agreement.

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Qatar Investment Authority and Franklin Templeton Launch the Franklin Templeton Qatar Equity Fund

19/02/2026

Qatar Investment Authority (QIA), in partnership with Franklin Templeton, has launched the Franklin Templeton Qatar Equity Fund, an actively managed investment strategy focused on companies listed on Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE). Launching with QAR 725 million in assets under management and anchored by QIA, the fund represents the continued execution of a broader strategic initiative designed to strengthen Qatar's investment ecosystem by bringing leading global asset managers into the local market.

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Egyptian Exchange Fulfills FTSE Russell Emerging Markets Index Criteria

23/02/2026

Within the framework of continuous efforts exerted to achieve the political leadership's vision to improve ranking of Egypt in the international indicators, and attracting foreign investments, FTSE Russell announced that The Egyptian Exchange (EGX) meets the required number of companies that maintain its classification as an emerging market. This is part of the strategic coordination between Ministry of Investment and the regulatory entities to develop infrastructure of the capital market and enhance its international attractiveness.

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*Dubai International
Financial Centre's
Dubai FinTech Summit
Expands Globally with
Pakistan Digital
Authority*
23/02/2026

Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Innovation Hub, the largest start-up and innovation hub in the world operating out of DIFC, in partnership with the Pakistan Digital Authority, is launching the Pakistan FinTech Summit from 18 and 19 August 2026, positioning Pakistan as a strategic growth market within the global FinTech landscape.

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*Egyptian Exchange
Announces the Launch
of Trading Future
Contracts*
23/02/2026

As part of the strategy to develop the Egyptian market, The Egyptian Exchange (EGX) announces commencement of trading future contracts (financial derivatives). This historic step reflects completion of the regulatory and operational requirements of launching future contracts market. Launching the market comes following The Egyptian Exchange's obtaining the required license from The Financial Regulatory Authority (FRA) to operate trading future contracts activity, as well as FRA approval of both regulations of trading future contracts as well as regulations of their clearing and settlement, ensuring comprehensive regulatory supervision of the market, attaining protecting investors, as well as integrity and stability of trading.

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Egyptian Exchange and British Egyptian Business Association (BEBA) Held the First Round-Table Session: "Your Platform for Investment and Finance"

05/03/2026

The Egyptian Exchange (EGX) in cooperation with the British Egyptian Business Association (BEBA), organized the first round table session titled "Your Platform for Investment and Finance" through both physical and virtual participation via technological communication means.

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World Federation of Exchanges Names Rehab Sallam, Head of International Relations at the Egyptian Exchange, among the Most Influential Women Leaders in Global Capital Markets

08/03/2026

The World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) announced its list of the most influential women leaders in the global capital markets industry. The list included Ms. Rehab Sallam, General Manager of International Relations at the Egyptian Exchange (EGX), representing EGX among 20 executive leaders from exchanges around the world.

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Securities Commission Malaysia Unveils Capital Market Masterplan 2026-2030

09/03/2026

The Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) unveiled the Capital Market Masterplan 2026–2030 (CMP), a strategic blueprint to position Malaysia’s capital market as a key driver of national growth and economic prosperity. With a long-term 20-year vision, the CMP supports economic transformation by accelerating growth in emerging sectors while strengthening the market’s role in building a more advanced, inclusive, sustainable and regionally integrated economy.

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Securities Commission Malaysia, Companies Commission of Malaysia to Enhance Data-Sharing to Drive MSME Growth and Market Integrity
11/03/2026

The Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) and the Companies Commission of Malaysia (SSM) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to facilitate greater access to shared data resources in support of capital market funding initiatives for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and mid-tier companies (MTCs) as well as enhanced supervisory functions.

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CSD Summit İstanbul 2026
11/03/2026

Due to the ongoing situation in the region, the CSD Summit 2026 İstanbul has been postponed. The new dates have been announced and published. The details are available on official website.

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Bursa Malaysia Invites Public Feedback on the Proposed Rule Amendments in Relation to Digital Currency ETFs

13/03/2026

Bursa Malaysia issued a consultation paper seeking public feedback on the proposed rule amendments to facilitate the listing and trading of digital currency Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs).

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Amman Stock Exchange in Collaboration with Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative Participates in a Training Program about Gender Equality in Capital Markets

16/03/2026

The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE), in collaboration with the Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative (SSE) and United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women), participated in an online training program about Gender Equality in Capital Markets, which was held in the presence of representatives from listed companies at ASE.

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Signing of a MoU between Amman Stock Exchange and Al Hussein Technical University

19/03/2026

The Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Al Hussein Technical University, aiming to develop collaborative activities across various fields of mutual interest between the two parties.

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Nigerian Exchange Group, Ministry of Women Affairs Partner to Drive Women's Inclusion in Capital Markets

25/03/2026

Nigerian Exchange Group Plc (NGX Group) has partnered with the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development to advance women's economic empowerment and promote greater gender inclusion in Nigeria's capital markets.

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Securities Commission Malaysia Launches Islamic Capital Market Innovation Lab to Advance Maqasid al-Shariah-Driven Islamic Capital Market Innovation

26/03/2026

The Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) announced the establishment of the Islamic capital market (ICM) Innovation Lab (FIKRALab), a structured co-creation and applied Research and Development (R&D) platform to develop new ICM products and instruments. The FIKRALab, an initiative under the Capital Market Masterplan 2026–2030, aims at advancing Malaysia's ICM, anchored on Maqasid al-Shariah and guided by Halal-Toyyib.

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Dubai Advances to 7th Ranking in Global Financial Centres Index, Highest ever in Its History

26/03/2026

Dubai has recorded its highest ever ranking in the Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI), climbing to seventh place globally underscoring the Emirate's accelerating rise as one of the world's most influential financial hubs and its importance in the global financial system. This remarkable achievement is a key step in Dubai's ambitious goal to become among the top four global financial centres by 2033, in line with the Dubai Economic Agenda (D33), which aims to solidify the emirate's status as a global financial, investment and innovation hub.

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Bursa Malaysia and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited Launch HKEX Bursa Malaysia Large Cap Index, Marking a New Chapter in Regional Capital Market Collaboration

27/03/2026

Bursa Malaysia and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to deepen collaboration, expand regional market connectivity and unlock cross-border investment opportunities. As the first initiative under the collaboration, Bursa Malaysia and HKEX also unveiled the HKEX Bursa Malaysia Large Cap Index, a co-branded benchmark designed to strengthen Malaysia–Hong Kong capital market integration, and support future cross-market investment opportunities, including products such as Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs).

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Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission Approves Tk 1,458.5 cr Bond Proposals including Nation's First 'Orange Bond'

30/03/2026

The Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) approved SAJIDA Foundation's Tk 158.5 crore Orange Bond, the country's first Orange Bond, to fund women empowerment, food security, and climate resilience. This measure highlights Dhaka Stock Exchange's (DSE) commitment to building a resilient, inclusive and globally aligned capital market within the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) community.

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Global Money Week 2026: Nigerian Exchange Amplifies Youth Financial Literacy with "Smart Money Talks"

31/03/2026

Nigerian Exchange Limited (NGX) joined the global community in commemorating Global Money Week 2026, reaffirming its commitment to advancing financial literacy and equipping the next generation of investors. This year's theme, "Smart Money Talks", highlights the critical role of informed financial decision-making among young people. As part of its week-long programme, NGX hosted over 200 secondary school students through its flagship X-Tour initiative.

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