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05.10.2020	<b>Exchanges Around The World Rang The Bell For Financial Literacy In 2020</b>	Exchanges around the world have united to promote financial literacy and boost financial inclusion, ringing the bell in multiple countries on multiple days all week during World Investor Week (WIW) 2020. The World Federation of Exchanges (WFE), the global industry group for exchanges and CCPs, is supporting the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) WIW 2020, which run from 5 October to 11 October 2020. WIW is a week-long, global campaign to raise awareness about the importance of investor education and protection and promote financial literacy.	<a href="#">Link</a>
05.10.2020	<b>AIX To Expand The List Of Exchange-Traded Notes With Exposure To The Global Markets For Local Retail Investors</b>	Astana International Exchange (AIX) announced the launch of four new exchange-traded notes (ETNs) in order to provide local retail investors with a broader range of investment options. iX ETNs provide a low-cost way to build a globally diversified portfolio and are paving the way for a broad range of exchange-traded products which are expected to be registered in the AIFC jurisdiction.	<a href="#">Link</a>
09.10.2020	<b>14th Meeting Of The OIC Exchanges Forum Held In Istanbul</b>	The 14th Meeting of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Exchanges Forum hosted by Borsa İstanbul took place online on Thursday, October 8, with the participation of 135 delegates from 24 OIC countries including 24 exchanges, 8 post-trade institutions and 13 international/sector institutions. The Forum meets annually since 2005 to improve cooperation among member organizations.	<a href="#">Link</a>
12.10.2020	<b>EGX Adopts Regulatory Amendments For Its SMEs Platform</b>	The Egyptian Exchange's (EGX) adopted amendments in the regulations of its SME platform to be presented to the Financial Regulatory Authority (FRA) for approval. These amendments are within the framework of EGX management's policy for the development of the SMEs market in a way that contributes to companies' growth and expansion and in accordance with the comprehensive development strategy formulated with the relevant market parties conducted in coordination with the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).	<a href="#">Link</a>
15.10.2020	<b>Bursa Malaysia Successfully Conducts Its First Virtual Listing Ceremony To Offer More Flexibilities For Issuers</b>	Bursa Malaysia Berhad (Bursa Malaysia), welcomed it's newest listing on the ACE Market via a virtual listing ceremony. This is Bursa Malaysia's first-ever virtual listing ceremony, a new offering by the Exchange arising from the reinstatement of the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO) in Selangor, Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya. In line with the CMCO requirements, Bursa Malaysia introduced this virtual listing service, enabling flexibility for new issuers during CMCO.	<a href="#">Link</a>
18.10.2020	<b>Market Opening Bell Ringing To Celebrate The Launch Of The New Platform</b>	The Dubai Financial Market (DFM) introduced equity futures trading, as part of its new Futures Trading Platform amid unprecedented participation from the brokerage community. This significant step provides further impetus to DFM's strategy to diversify product offerings and attract more investments. The DFM has developed a robust regulatory framework in line with international best practices, creating a favorable environment for active participation from various market participants.	<a href="#">Link</a>

<b>18.10.2020 Nigerian Stock Exchange Set To Host 5th Market Data Workshop</b>	The Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE), in partnership with InfoWARE Limited, hosted the fifth edition of the NSE Market Data Workshop. The event was held virtually in compliance with guidance around physical distancing occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic.	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>21.10.2020 The Amman Stock Exchange Enters the Refinitiv and Arab Federation of Exchanges Index for Low Carbon Companies</b>	Refinitiv and the Arab Federation of Exchanges (AFE) within the contribution in promoting the concept of sustainability launched the Refinitiv AFE Low Carbon Select Index in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). ASE represented by the Arab bank is one component of it of a 3.8%, Also, Saudi Arabia holds the largest weight in the Index with 39.5%, followed by Kuwait 22.15%, UAE 14.65%, Qatar 12.24%, Egypt 4.21%, Morocco 1.69%, Oman 0.87%, and Bahrain 0.85%.	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>21.10.2020 Dubai Financial Services Authority To Host Second RegTech Live Event</b>	The Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA) hosted a virtual event, "RegTech Live: Driving Compliance through Innovation", which was held in partnership with the Dubai International Financial Centre Authority (DIFCA).	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>23.10.2020 Securities Commission Malaysia's Virtual InvestSmart® Fest 2020 Aims To Elevate Investment Literacy And Heighten Awareness On Scams</b>	The Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) held its annual flagship investor education event, InvestSmart® Fest. This was the seventh instalment of the InvestSmart® Fest and for the first time, held virtually. This year's InvestSmart® Fest themed 'Silap Labur Duit Lebur' is also held in support of the Financial Education Network (FEN)'s inaugural Financial Literacy Month 2020. The InvestSmart® Fest which is aimed to equip investors with the fundamentals in making sound investment decisions, showcases over 35 virtual exhibitors comprising capital market intermediaries, associations, regulators and equity crowdfunding, peer-to-peer financing and digital assets market operators.	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>28.10.2020 Boursa Kuwait Securities, Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange And Aquis Exchange Join FTSE Mondo Visione Exchanges Index</b>	Boursa Kuwait Securities, Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange and Aquis Exchange were added to the FTSE Mondo Visione Exchanges Index effective market open on Wednesday 28 October 2020. The FTSE Mondo Visione Exchanges Index, a joint venture between FTSE Group and Mondo Visione, was established in 2000.	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>02.11.2020 Nasdaq Dubai Welcomes Listing Of USD 600 Million Sukuk By Islamic Corporation For The Development Of The Private Sector</b>	Nasdaq Dubai welcomed the listing of a USD 600 million Sukuk by the Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD), the private sector arm of the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB).	<a href="#">Link</a>
<b>02.11.2020 Dubai Financial Market International Investor Roadshow 2020 Sheds Light On Dubai Capital Markets' Investment Opportunities</b>	The Dubai Financial Market (DFM) virtually held its annual International Investor Roadshow 2020 for the first time since the launch of this leading event in 2007, in a pioneering step amongst regional markets. The event attracts the largest participation in its history with the presence of numerous companies listed on Dubai's capital markets as well as international investment institutions that are looking to diversify on both sectoral and geographical levels.	<a href="#">Link</a>

<p><b>03.11.2020</b> <b>Bursa Malaysia And Shenzhen Stock Exchange Furthers Collaboration On Joint Market Promotion And Information Sharing</b></p>	<p>Bursa Malaysia Berhad (Bursa Malaysia) together with Shenzhen Stock Exchange (SZSE) and Stock Exchange of Thailand, hosted the “ASEAN Capital Market Cooperation Seminar (Manufacturing Session) with the objective of creating awareness of joint market promotions, information sharing, business development and investment opportunities. Speakers of this virtual seminar comprised leading manufacturing companies and industry experts from the three respective exchanges, targeting Chinese and ASEAN investors and corporations.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>06.11.2020</b> <b>CFTC Issues Order Of Registration To ICE Futures Abu Dhabi Limited To Permit Trading By Direct Access From The U.S.</b></p>	<p>The Commodity Futures Trading Commission announced that it has issued an Order of Registration to ICE Futures Abu Dhabi Limited (IFAD), a Foreign Board of Trade (FBOT) incorporated in the Abu Dhabi Global Market and located in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Under the order, IFAD’s members and other U.S. participants may now enter orders directly into its trade matching system. IFAD satisfied CFTC requirements for FBOT registration by demonstrating, among other things, that it possesses the attributes of an established, organized exchange.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>09.11.2020</b> <b>AxeTrading Expands Exchange Business With Launch Of IDX ETP</b></p>	<p>The Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX) launched their Electronic Trading Platform (ETP) for secondary market trading of bonds and sukuk using AxeTrading’s AxeChange technology. The ETP is named Alternative Market Operator System (SPPA).</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>17.11.2020</b> <b>VTB Capital Becomes A Trading Member Of AIX</b></p>	<p>Astana International Exchange (AIX) announced that the leading Russian international investment bank VTB Capital has become a trading member of AIX. This further expands AIX distribution network to international and Russian investors.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>19.11.2020</b> <b>The Saudi Arabia Capital Market Authority (CMA) Grants A Financial Technology Experimental Permit To DFN RoAd Company To Experiment Robo-Advisory Service</b></p>	<p>The CMA Board of Commissioners issued its resolution to grant DFN RoAd Company a Financial Technology Experimental Permit (ExPermit) to experiment Robo-Advisory service. Based on this permit, the Company will be able to experiment Robo-Advisory Service, which allows investors to get advice on securities or investment products through direct access to automated online platform (or application).</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>23.11.2020</b> <b>IOSCO Annual Meeting Addresses The Impact Of COVID 19 And Other Critical Matters On Securities Markets</b></p>	<p>Members of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) gathered online for the organization’s 45th Annual Meeting to discuss the impact of COVID 19 on capital markets and other priority issues facing securities market regulators and supervisors. Some 480 members from 159 jurisdictions participated in the event The meeting took place from 9 to 18 November and included virtual meetings of the IOSCO Board, IOSCO’s Growth and Emerging Markets (GEM) Committee, its four Regional Committees and the Affiliate Members Consultative Committee (AMCC), culminating with the meeting of its Presidents Committee.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>

<p><b>25.11.2020</b> <b>Mutual Fund “CenterCredit-Valyutniy” ETN’s Listed On AIX</b></p>	<p>Astana International Exchange (AIX) in conjunction with BCC Invest JSC announced the listing of new exchange-traded notes - BCC Global Exchange Traded Notes (ETNs) linked to the performance of one of the largest domestic interval mutual funds - “CenterCredit-Valyutniy”. These Notes are issued by a Special Purpose Company (SPC) - Global Fund A SPC Limited whose sole assets are units in the Interval Mutual Fund and cash. The notes will be traded on AIX with; BCC Invest acting as a Market Maker, providing easy access and liquidity for investors.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>26.11.2020</b> <b>DAFZA, DFM And Nasdaq Dubai Organize Webinar For Free Zone Companies About IPO And Listing Opportunities In Dubai</b></p>	<p>Dubai Airport Free Zone Authority (DAFZA), Dubai Financial Market (DFM) and Nasdaq Dubai held a first-of-its kind joint virtual webinar to introduce the DFM Main Market and Nasdaq Dubai Growth Market, that have been developed to provide initial public offering (IPO) and listing opportunities for free zone companies. The IPO and listing of free zone companies comes in line with the strategic goals set out by the Dubai 10X initiative. By providing access to DFM’s Main Market and Nasdaq Dubai Growth Market, the initiatives will ensure that small and medium-sized companies (SMEs) and larger free zone companies will be able to generate a wave of potential new investors to enable them to expand their business and enhance their attractiveness in global markets.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>27.11.2020</b> <b>Nigerian Stock Exchange, Principles For Responsible Collaborate To Host Webinar On Responsible Investing</b></p>	<p>The Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) collaborated with the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) to host a webinar on Responsible Investing (RI) and Economic, Social and Governance (ESG) integration on Tuesday, 1 December, 2020. Themed, “Responsible Investing: Challenges and Opportunities for the Nigerian Investor”, the webinar laid the foundation for engagements with investors and highlight the most pressing challenges and opportunities for advancing RI imperatives in Nigeria.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>29.11.2020</b> <b>DIFC FinTech Hive And FinTech-Aviv Reach Landmark Agreement</b></p>	<p>DIFC FinTech Hive, the largest financial technology hub in the Middle East, Africa and South Asia (MEASA) region, part of Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC), has signed a landmark agreement with Israel’s FinTech-Aviv. FinTech Aviv was established in 2014 and serves the needs of the Israeli FinTech ecosystem and counts more than 6,000 startups and 300 research and development centres as members.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>30.11.2020</b> <b>UAE Securities And Commodities Authority Puts Into Effect The Shareholders’ Agent Mechanism At General Meetings Of Shareholders</b></p>	<p>The mechanism aims primarily to safeguard the rights of minority shareholders and to help them communicate their views and voice their suggestions on corporate activity and financial performance. This move comes to put into effect one of the new governance controls mechanisms outlined in the new governance decision issued in 2020.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>
<p><b>01.12.2020</b> <b>QIA became the new investor in Borsa Istanbul</b></p>	<p>Turkey Wealth Fund (TWF) and Qatar Investment Authority (QIA) completed the acquisition of 10% of the shares in Borsa İstanbul AŞ (Borsa Istanbul) by QIA following the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 26 November 2020 between two parties. The transaction size of USD 200 million implied a total equity value of USD 2 billion.</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>

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- 06.12.2020 Virtual Meeting Between EGX And ISX To Activate Signed MoU Between Both Parties** [Link](#)
- The Egyptian Exchange (EGX) held a virtual meeting with the Iraq Stock Exchange (ISX), to activate the memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed between both parties during the Joint High Egyptian Iraq Committee meetings held in Baghdad- Iraq in October 2020. The MoU aims to enhance cooperation between both exchanges in legislative and technical matters and capacity-building and promotion of best practices, in order to increase competitiveness in a way that contributes to enhancing the position of the two markets internationally. Also cooperation in information dissemination of on important economic developments, especially related to the capital market, which affect the capital market.
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- 07.12.2020 Kazakhstani Institutional Investors Have Become Allowed To Purchase AIX Traded Securities Denominated In KZT** [Link](#)
- Astana International Exchange (AIX) announced that the Agency of the Republic of Kazakhstan for Regulation and Development of the Financial Market has approved amendments to regulatory and legal acts necessary to ensure that Kazakhstani institutional investors are now able to trade on AIX and hold AIX-listed securities denominated in KZT under the same prudential requirements as other venues. Going forward, financial institutions (banks, insurance companies, investment funds, brokerage firms) may acquire publicly traded AIX shares and other securities of Kazakhstani companies, denominated in Tenge. Previously, institutions were allowed to purchase on AIX foreign currency denominated securities only.
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- 10.12.2020 DGCX Selects Cigniti Technologies As Strategic Quality Assurance Service Provider** [Link](#)
- The Dubai Gold and Commodities Exchange (DGCX), selected Cigniti Technologies – a global leader in independent quality engineering and software testing services – as its strategic Quality Assurance service provider as the Exchange seeks to upgrade its technology platform. Cigniti will provide the DGCX Group with quality testing on a number of marketplace solutions that will replace applications currently used by DGCX. This will include functions such as real-time trading and clearing, pre-trade risk management, market intelligence, surveillance and quality assurance.
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- 15.12.2020 Bursa Malaysia And Shenzhen Stock Exchange Launch Joint Promotion Of Indices To Enhance Visibility And Profile Of The Malaysian And Chinese Markets** [Link](#)
- Bursa Malaysia Berhad (Bursa Malaysia) and the Shenzhen Stock Exchange (SZSE) started displaying selected mutual benchmark index constituents of its respective markets on both the exchanges' websites. This index promotion forms part of the cross-border collaboration initiative between the two countries. On Bursa Malaysia's website are SZSE's flagship indices which are the Shenzhen Component Index, Shenzhen 100 Index and the ChiNext Index. These flagship indices will offer investors an opportunity to gain exposure to some of the leading and innovative companies from both the traditional and emerging industries in the Chinese Market. The Malaysian indices that will be displayed on SZSE's website are the CNI-Bursa Malaysia 50 Index, Bursa Malaysia Health Care Index and the Bursa Malaysia Technology Index.
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**16.12.2020** **DGCX Wins 'Exchange Of The Year- Middle East And Africa' At FOW International Awards For The Third Year** The Dubai Gold & Commodities Exchange (DGCX) – the largest and most diversified derivatives exchange in the Middle East - has been named as 'Exchange of the Year' at the prestigious FOW Global Investor MENA 2020 for a third year in a row. [Link](#)

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**16.12.2020** **Securities Commission Malaysia And Bursa Malaysia To Uplift Temporary Suspension Of Regulated Short Selling On 1 January 2021** The Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) and Bursa Malaysia Berhad (Bursa Malaysia) uplifted the temporary suspension of Regulated Short Selling (RSS) and reviewed other market management measures that were introduced this year following heightened market volatility arising from the broader impact of COVID-19. This decision was made after careful consideration of current market conditions and the evolving needs of the market. The suspension of RSS was uplifted on 1 January 2021 to facilitate investors' risk management and revive Securities Borrowing and Lending (SBL) activities, which is an integral capital market function to promote product development and market making activities. [Link](#)

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**20.12.2020** **JSC and ASE Launched the Electronic Disclosure System in the Language of (XBRL)** The Jordan Securities Commission (JSC) and the Amman Stock Exchange (ASE) launched the electronic disclosure system in the language of (XBRL) as an electronic platform for submitting disclosures and requests for services from entities subject to the supervision of the JSC and the ASE, the traditional methods of disclosure previously applied will be suspended. [Link](#)

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**22.12.2020** **Nigerian Stock Exchange Revolutionises Public Offerings Subscription With Electronic Platform** The Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) announced the launch of X-PO, an online platform for the subscription of public offerings (POs) on Friday, December 18, 2020, following the "No Objection" letter received from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The X-PO, the first end-to-end online public offerings platform in Africa, is designed to enhance the experiences of stakeholders in the public offerings value chain, by providing a smarter and efficient way to manage public offers in the Nigerian capital market. As a self-service portal, X-PO allows investors to conveniently subscribe and make payments for public offers through the web and mobile (USSD), avoiding the hassle of physical completion and submission of public offering applications forms and visiting the bank for payment. [Link](#)

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**31.12.2020 With The Capacity under the Turkish Commercial Code, MKK has Become the Registration Center for Bearer Shares of Unlisted Companies** The Law No. 7262 on the Prevention of Financing the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction is approved by the President of the Republic of Turkey and published in the official gazette; was entered into force on December 31st, 2020. The Law regulates remarkable changes for unlisted companies, with the amendments made to the Turkish Commercial Code numbered 6102 (TCC) regarding the registration and notification of bearer shares. [Link](#)

With the amendments made to the TCC, it is aimed by the Ministry of Trade to keep the records of bearer shares of every unlisted company at Merkezi Kayıt Kuruluşu (MKK). The Ministry of Trade may also require in the future keeping the share ledger of unlisted companies electronically. It is also stipulated that holders of the bearer shares of an unlisted company will be obliged to apply to their company along with their share certificates and the company then under the obligation to notify MKK within 5 business day with the information of its shareholders. In this regard, shareholders cannot exercise their shareholding rights until the required application is made. Similarly, transfer of bearer shares will become effective upon the notification to be made to the MKK by the transferee shareholder.

The changes introduced to the TCC will become effective on April 1, 2021.

**Q4/2020 Trading Of Pension Investment Funds On TEFAS** Within the scope of the measure included in the Presidential Annual Program of 2019; It has been decided by the Capital Markets Board of Turkey to "start a new platform where pension companies can become members and buy and sell the participation shares of pension mutual funds, or start the infrastructure works to make the existing TEFAS infrastructure suitable for these transactions, and schedule the work". In this respect, the necessary infrastructure work has been initiated by Takasbank and Takasbank, Capital Markets Board of Turkey, Insurance Association of Turkey, Pension Monitoring Center and Pension Companies are continuing to work. It is aimed to complete the work in 2021 and put the project into practice. [Link](#)

**Q4/2020 CSDI's DIMA Offers Strategic Electronic General Meeting Services to Iran Capital Market** Central Securities Depository of Iran launched the strategic service of electronic General Meetings for the listed companies, an unprecedented service in the history of the Iranian capital market. The CSDI made the service possible after it was mandated by the Ministry of Economy as well as the Securities and Exchange Organization of Iran, to realize the government's plan to enhance e-government and other electronic services through the innovative technologies during the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. [Link](#)