

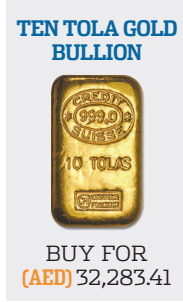


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UAE, Costa Rican Presidents discuss bilateral cooperation as part of Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement in phone call

ABU DHABI / WAM

UAE President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan and His Excellency Rodrigo Chavez Robles, President of the Republic of Costa Rica, discussed opportunities to develop cooperation in a phone call. The two sides addressed opportunities in the economic, trade, investment, and other priority areas that support the vision of both countries and their aspirations for sustainable development and prosperity as part of the Comprehensive Economic Partnership

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supporting food security and economic diversification to achieve a more sustainable future for the peoples of both countries. This reflects the commitment of the UAE and Costa Rica to developing future-proof economies.

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CLEAN RIVERS will play an important role in supporting global efforts in the plastic waste leakage into rivers and oceans

UAE, Indonesia partner to cut waste leakage into oceans

The agreement builds on collaborative work between the two countries to deploy nature-based solutions to combat climate change challenges

ABU DHABI / WAM

The Ministry of Climate Change and Environment (MOCCAE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of Indonesia, to support the country in reducing plastic waste leakage into the oceans.

The formal signing ceremony took place on the sidelines of The AVPN Global Conference 2024 in Abu Dhabi in the presence of Dr Amna bint Abdullah Al Dahak Al Shamsi, Minister of Climate Change and the Environment, and Suhail bin Mohammed Al Mazrouei, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure.

The MoU was signed by Mohammed Saeed Sultan Al Nuaimi, Under-Secretary of MOCCAE, and Nani Hendiarti, Deputy Coordinating Minister for Forestry and Environmental Management, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of Indonesia.

The MoU builds on collaborative work between the two countries to deploy nature-based solutions to combat climate change challenges, including the Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC) and



Mohammed Saeed Sultan Al Nuaimi, Under-Secretary of MOCCAE, with Nani Hendiarti, Deputy Coordinating Minister for Forestry and Environmental Management, Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Investment of the Republic of Indonesia, during the signing of the agreement in Abu Dhabi on Thursday

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the MBZ-JKW International Mangrove Research Center. This agreement will set a framework for cooperation between the UAE and Indonesia to address the urgent environmental challenge of plastic

waste leakage into the oceans around Indonesia.

During the event, Clean Rivers — a global non-profit based in Abu Dhabi, dedicated to addressing the challenge of river plastic pollution — was

launched. It will serve as an official implementing partner of the MoU.

Al Nuaimi said, "I am proud of the collaborative spirit the UAE and Indonesia show in overcoming this huge challenge. Our two great countries have already made fantastic progress in deploying nature-based solutions to combat climate change. Our work together on the Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC) and the MBZ-JKW International Mangrove Research Center gives me great hope that this cooperation will be another of our success stories. The importance of this cooperation stems from the establishment of a joint commitment to the conservation of vital marine ecosystems between the two countries."

He stressed that plastic pollution is one of the biggest threats and environmental pollutants and spreads in the oceans, rivers and environment, which has an adverse impact on people's lives, pointing out that cooperation between the UAE and Indonesia opens the door for more efforts to preserve the environment and nature.

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ADCB logs 26% net profit growth in first quarter

ABU DHABI / WAM

Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC (ADCB) reported its financial results for the first quarter of 2024 (Q1'24).

ADCB has continued growth momentum into 2024, delivering a first-quarter net profit before tax of AED2.431 billion, an increase of 26 percent year-on-year (YoY). Net profit after tax was AED2.139 billion, with a return on average tangible equity of 14.1 percent. This strong earnings growth was broad-based and primarily driven by solid loan growth in the Corporate, Investment and Retail Banking businesses.

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Over 300 start-ups to participate in 2024 AIM Congress in Abu Dhabi

ABU DHABI / WAM

More than 300 start-ups across diverse fields and sectors have officially confirmed their participation in the 13th edition of the AIM Congress. The event will take place from May 7-9 at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre. It aims to delve into innovative solutions, uncover investment prospects, foster partnerships, and facilitate knowledge exchange among entrepreneurs globally.

The start-ups constitute one of the primary pillars of the 2024 AIM Congress, organised under the theme "Adapting to a Shifting In-

vestment Landscape: Harnessing New Potentials for Global Economic Development".

The UAE Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology supports the event and the Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development is the lead partner. The start-up agenda features various panel discussions and keynote speeches, highlighting the trends and challenges facing start-ups. Key topics revolve around the emergence of start-ups in biotechnology, integrating technology into enterprises for financial resilience, and strategies for acquiring and retaining customers amidst disruptions.

UAE is expected to add 6.34GW 'green capacity' by 2030: EIC

The country is making continuous progress in renewable energy sector, said an official from Energy Industries Council

ABU DHABI / WAM

Ryan McPherson, Regional Director (Middle East, Africa, Russia & CIS) for the Energy Industries Council (EIC), said that the United Arab Emirates is making continuous progress in the renewable energy sector, ranking advanced among regional countries in terms of clean and renewable energy production capacity.

MacPherson added in statements to the Emirates News Agency (WAM), on the occasion of the Council's celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of its regional office in Dubai, that according to data from the

Energy Industries Council, the UAE is expected to add 6.34 gigawatts to its power capacity from green projects between 2024 and 2030, through 12 planned projects.

MacPherson explained that these projects reflect the UAE's commitment to enhancing the sustainability of its energy resources and reducing reliance on fossil fuels, noting that the country has been investing heavily for decades in new technologies and developing infrastructure to enhance its leading position in the field of renewable energy, which is part of its vision for a greener and more sustainable future.

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He noted that since the launch of the Energy Industries Council's operations in the free zone at Dubai Airport in 2004, the office has organised more than 300 events and hosted more than 50 trade missions, in

addition to its continuous growth, with its membership exceeding 300 companies headquartered in the UAE, equivalent to one-third of the country's energy supply chain companies, according to data from the council's supply chain company map, covering the United Arab Emirates and other countries.



His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, with His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of Bahrain, at His Majesty's residence in Abu Dhabi on Thursday —WAM

Mohammed bin Rashid meets with King of Bahrain

DUBAI / WAM

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, on Thursday met with His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of Bahrain, and discussed new opportunities to enhance the strategic partnership between the two countries. The meeting took place at His Majesty's

residence in Abu Dhabi.

HH Sheikh Mohammed welcomed His Majesty King Hamad, highlighting the steadily growing ties between the two countries under His Majesty's leadership. He expressed his wishes for the continued prosperity of Bahrain and its people.

The meeting reiterated the commitment of both countries to build on the deep-rooted, historical ties between the UAE

and Bahrain to advance mutually beneficial cooperation in ways that serve the aspirations of the people of the two countries and strengthen the role of the Gulf Cooperation Council in the region and on the global stage. The discussions touched on a wide range of topics with a focus on enhancing ties in economic, commercial, and tourism sectors.

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His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Vice President, Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of the Presidential Court, with Zhang Yiming, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the UAE, at Qasr Al Watan in Abu Dhabi on Thursday —WAM

Mansour bin Zayed receives Ambassador of China

ABU DHABI / WAM

His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Vice President, Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of the Presidential Court, received Zhang Yim-

ing, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the UAE, at Qasr Al Watan in Abu Dhabi.

During the meeting, both parties reviewed bilateral relations and means to further develop cooperation in the

fields of investment, economy, development, and culture, among others, to achieve their common interests as part of the comprehensive strategic partnership uniting the two countries.

GCAA grants operational approval for UAE's first vertiport

ABU DHABI / WAM

The General Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA)

has officially granted operational approval for the country's inaugural vertiport, which

debuts at the DRIFTx event in Abu Dhabi. It represents a collaborative effort between

the GCAA and key stakeholders in the UAE's transportation and technology sectors.

SUPTECH is a key initiative of UAE central bank under the Financial Infrastructure Transformation Programme

CBUAE enhances SupTech plan as part of its FIT Programme

The partnership with Accenture signifies a major step forward in UAE central bank's journey towards digital transformation and innovation

ABU DHABI / WAM

The Central Bank of the UAE (CBUAE) has partnered with Accenture to implement a range of transformative services for the CBUAE's Supervisory Technology (SupTech) initiative and the Enterprise Data Management (EDM) programme through the adoption of best-in-class digital solutions.

SupTech is one of the key initiatives under the Financial Infrastructure Transformation (FIT) Programme and aims to enhance the effectiveness of the CBUAE's supervisory processes through digital transformation and the adoption of new technologies.

SupTech will automate and streamline activities for banks and licensed financial institutions, enabling best-in-class processes, ensuring compliance with regulations, strengthening the financial system's stability, and protecting the nation from money laundering and other financial crimes.

The EDM programme will ensure the integrity of the CBUAE's data and provide advanced capabilities for analytics, automation,



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“The partnership with Accenture will contribute towards growth and diversification in the financial services sector and support in enhancing the UAE's position as a global financial centre

Ahmed Al Qamzi, Assistant Governor of Banking and Insurance Supervision at the CBUAE

and AI-driven decision-making through a single unified supervision portal.

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following a comprehensive evaluation process, which included measuring the company's solutions' ability to meet the requirements of establishing an integrated infrastructure.

Ahmed Al Qamzi, Assistant Governor of Banking and Insurance Supervision at the CBUAE, said, “This partnership signifies a major step forward in the CBUAE's journey towards digital transformation and innovation, building upon the achievements of the SupTech and Enterprise Data Management programmes.”

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UAE delegates participate in World Energy Congress

ROTTERDAM / WAM

A high-level UAE delegation participated in the 26th edition of the World Energy Congress, held in Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Co-hosted by the World Energy Council and the Netherlands Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy, the congress convened more than 7,000 international energy stakeholders, including 200 C-suite speakers and 70 ministers, to enable the highest levels of government-to-government dialogue that can drive the global energy transition agenda.

The high-level delegation included Sharif Al Olama, Undersecretary for Energy and Petroleum Affairs at the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure, and representatives of Abu Dhabi Department of Energy, Etihad Water and Electricity, and Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), and BEEAH Group.

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positive impact on the energy landscape. Al Olama held multiple bilateral meetings with leaders from the energy sector to explore areas for partnership, learn about best practices in research and technology, and drive investment in sustainable energy. He also toured Adnoc's stand at the World Energy Congress.

The World Energy Congress is the world's longest-established energy event, having shaped the global energy agenda for a century. It convenes the world energy community to deliver global and regional impact and help ensure a sustainable energy supply.

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AVPN Global Conference spotlights impact investing, partnerships

Programme brought together cohort of investors, corporations, entrepreneurs, philanthropists and changemakers

ABU DHABI / WAM

The second day of the AVPN Global Conference 2024 unfolded with a spotlight on impact investing and new partnerships as powerful vehicles for driving positive change across Asia.

Commenting on the significance of impact investing in Asia, Naina Subberwal Batra, CEO of AVPN, said, “The fact that we dedicated Day Two of our flagship Conference to Impact Investing, and the multi-faceted topics throughout the day, shows the immense potential of impact investing to catalyse positive change in Asia's dynamic and diverse communities. By aligning financial objectives with social and environmental outcomes, we can unlock new opportunities for inclusive and sustainable

At the AVPN Global Conference, the Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan Foundation announced plans to finance micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), with the aim of developing projects that nurture entrepreneurship, building capacity and capability among young entrepreneurs in some of the least developed countries in the world

growth for our region.”

Day Two included plenary sessions and workshops featuring expert thought leaders from organisations such as Abu Dhabi Investment Office, Asia Investor Group on Climate Change, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, COP28, and UBS Optimus Foundation.

Day Two's programme brought together a diverse cohort of investors, corporations, entrepreneurs, philanthropists

and changemakers united by a shared vision of leveraging capital for social and environmental good.

Against the backdrop of Asia's rapid economic development and evolving social landscape, the AVPN Impact Investing Day commenced with a series of discussions and workshops focused on impact investing strategies and innovative approaches tailored to the region's urgent opportunities and challenges.



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One of the highlights of the day was the launch of the game-changing AVPN ImpactCollab, a social investing outcomes-based platform developed with the support of the

Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS).

To kick-off the three-year initiative, AVPN presented its first phase by unveiling the Social Outcomes Platform, Asia's first

impact data registry powered by its proprietary impact data standards to validate and evaluate social programmes by their cost per result and effectiveness.

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Recognising the significant opportunity for MSME's to positively contribute to economic growth, this \$27 million initiative will provide funding through a variety of mechanisms to allow recipients to build and grow their businesses.



His Highness Lt General Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior, while presiding over the Council for Digital Quality of Life meeting at Qasr Al Watan in Abu Dhabi on Thursday —WAM

Saif bin Zayed chairs 'Council for Digital Quality of Life' meeting

ABU DHABI / WAM

HH Lt General Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior, presided over the Council for Digital Quality of Life meeting at Qasr Al Watan in Abu Dhabi, in the presence of Shamma bint Suhail Al Mazrouei, Minister of Community Development

and Vice President of the Council.

The session was attended by Sheikh Salem bin Khalid Al Qassimi, Minister of Culture, Omar bin Sultan Al Olama, Minister of State for Artificial Intelligence, Digital Economy, and Remote Work Applications, along with other dignitaries.

During the meeting, 38

indicators were approved to safeguard UAE society from digital risks and content contrary to inherited customs and traditions. The objective is to uphold Emirati values while nurturing the capabilities and skills of the youth to navigate digital challenges effectively.

Furthermore, the meeting reviewed the quality of

life indicators of member entities. These efforts are pivotal in enhancing the competitiveness and leadership of the UAE in the digital sphere by fostering a safer online environment and promoting awareness among all segments of society about the importance of adopting digital behaviours for an overall improvement in the quality of digital life.

Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed inaugurates first 'Abu Dhabi Mobility Week'



His Highness Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Chairman of the Presidential Court for Development and Fallen Heroes' Affairs, during the inauguration of first 'Abu Dhabi Mobility Week' on Thursday —WAM

ABU DHABI / WAM

HH Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Chairman of the Presidential Court for Development and Fallen Heroes' Affairs, has inaugurated the first Abu Dhabi Mobility Week.

Organised by the Department of Municipalities and Transport (DMT) under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Theyab, Abu Dhabi Mobility Week, which runs until 1st May, is designed to shape the future of transportation in the emirate.

A private gala event was attended by key leaders in the transport sector, including ministers, top executives from corporations, government agencies, academic institutions, global regulatory bodies, and startup companies. Moreover, several strategic partners sponsoring the event were in attendance, including the Abu Dhabi Department of Economic Development, Abu Dhabi Airports, Etihad Rail, Etihad Airways, Bayanat, Abu Dhabi Transport Company, AD Ports Group, and ADQ Aviation and Aerospace Service.

As part of the evening's programme, His Highness toured DRIFTx, a world-leading smart and autonomous mobility event that brings together innovators and visionaries to showcase the industry's latest innovations and solutions. The event, which kicked off today and concludes tomorrow, is part of ADMW on April 25-26.

The evening also saw the Integrated Transport Centre (ITC), an af-

filiate of the DMT, announce the new brand identity of Abu Dhabi Mobility (AD Mobility). The brand reveal falls in line with Abu Dhabi's ambitious vision to rank among the most advanced cities in the world, and deliver a safe, smart, sustainable, and competitive mobility network across the emirate. AD Mobility's mandate includes overseeing land transport, aviation, and maritime activities in addition to driver and vehicle licensing and permitting services, solidifying its commitment to shaping the future of mobility in the region.

Highlighting the significance of AD Mobility, Mohamed Ali Al Shorafa, Chairman of DMT, said, "We are proud to introduce the new brand identity of Abu Dhabi Mobility in a week that is honoured by the generous patronage of HH Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan. Abu Dhabi Mobility affirms the government's ambitious vision to rank Abu Dhabi among the most advanced cities in the world, which will be achieved by delivering a safe, smart, sustainable, and competitive mobility ecosystem that redefines urban living across the emirate."

The new brand of Abu Dhabi Mobility features a wheel at its core, representing transportation, movement, and ease of connectivity across different modes of transport. The colour scheme, featuring blues and greens, reflects the essence of land, sea, and sky, emphasising stability, reliability, and safety in urban mobility.

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EMIRATES Islamic announced the successful conclusion of its debut \$500m syndicated Financing Facility

Emirates Islamic reports Q1 profit of AED811mn

The bank's success was underpinned by a robust 19% growth in total income, propelled by higher funded and non-funded income streams

DUBAI / WAM

Emirates Islamic profit surged to a record AED811 million in the first quarter of 2024, up 35 percent year-on-year (YoY).

This remarkable financial success was underpinned by a robust 19 percent growth in total income, propelled by higher funded and non-funded income streams, which serves as a testament to the bank's strengthened business sentiment and strategic financial management.

Furthermore, the noteworthy 28 percent increase in operating profit not only underscores the bank's operational efficiency but also mirrors the positive economic outlook within the buoyant regional economy.

The bank's cost-to-income ratio settled at 28.4 percent, while the net profit margin reached 4.7 percent.

Hesham Abdulla Al Qassim, Chairman, Emirates Islamic, said, "The bank's total income grew 19 percent compared to the first quarter of 2023, with customer deposits increasing by 9 percent from the end of 2023, with Current Account and Savings Account balances at 77 percent of total deposits. Our strong results are a reflection of our focus on providing innovative financial solutions to our customers while enhancing the overall customer experience



Emirates Islamic has delivered record profitable growth in the Q1 of 2024, with total assets increasing by 8% to AED95 billion —WAM

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"Emirates Islamic marks a significant milestone this year, celebrating 20 years of collective progress, and af-

firming our position as one of the leading Shariah-compliant banks in the UAE.

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Farid AlMulla, CEO, Emirates Islamic

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Adviser to Uzbek President commends UAE's pivotal humanitarian role worldwide

DUBAI / WAM

Olloyorov Mansurbek Polvonzoda, Adviser to the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Social Protection Issues and Director of the National Agency for Social Protection under the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, commended the significant and pivotal humanitarian role of the UAE, and its pioneering initiatives in many countries around the world.

In a statement to the *Emirates News Agency* (WAM) on the sidelines of his participation in the Dubai International Humanitarian Aid and Development Conference (DIHAD 2024), currently being held in Dubai, the adviser to the Uzbek president said that his country is keen to actively participate in the DIHAD exhibition with the aim of exploring cooperation opportunities, exchanging experiences in the field of humanitarian assistance, reviewing innovative solutions, and best practices in the field, making it an

ideal place for communication and partnership enhancement.

He noted the keenness of the Uzbek National Agency for Social Protection delegation to discuss joint projects aimed at enhancing cooperation in projects for the rehabilitation of people of determination and providing specially designed training programmes to meet their needs. He explained that these initiatives aim to enhance inclusivity and empower people of determination to fully participate in society, as well as to make efforts to exchange best practices and experiences in the field of disability rights and the development of policies that promote equal opportunities.

The Uzbek official mentioned that they are looking to learn from the UAE's experience in humanitarian work. He emphasised the strong bilateral relations between Uzbekistan and the UAE, based on mutual respect and economic cooperation across all sectors.

Arabian Travel Market to kick off on May 6 in Dubai

Dubai is leading the regional hospitality markets with a strong outlook for 2024, according to data from Deloitte

DUBAI / WAM

The upcoming edition of Arabian Travel Market (ATM), a premier global event in travel and tourism, will serve as a pivotal gathering for hospitality stakeholders from May 6-9 at the Dubai World Trade Centre.

According to data from Deloitte, Dubai is leading the regional hospitality markets with a strong outlook for 2024. The city now offers more hotel rooms than major capitals such as London, New York City and Bangkok, and as of this month, Dubai has a hotel room capacity of over 150,000.

Data from the Dubai Department of Economy and Tourism (DET) showed that the city welcomed 17.15 million overnight



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Danielle Curtis, Exhibition Director ME, Arabian Travel Market

visitors during 2023, with the average length of stay also increasing. According to Deloitte, occupancy peaked at 88% in February.

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ture a wide range of hospitality brands from around the world, and we are pleased to report that there has been a 21% increase in exhibition space dedicated to hotel brands this year, demonstrating strong interest and demand," said Danielle Curtis, Exhibition Director ME, Arabian Travel Market.

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Notice for payment in Case-AJCEXCICV52023/0005239/ Civil

To the convicted party: **Assad Ali Ghulm Farid**
The attached judgment was issued against you in favour of the plaintiff (**Platinum Taxi LLC**) on the above mentioned case.

As the plaintiff applied for execution of the above judgment and whereas the judgment to be executed as follows:
Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 10779.0
Therefor you are requested to execute what is mentioned in the execution document within 7 days from the date of the notice.
In case of your failure the court will commence the forced execution.

Judge
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To the convicted party: **Mohamed Rihan Mohamed Yaseen**
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Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 11820.0
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Ahmed Mohamed Ibrahim - Ajman Federal Court
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To the convicted party: **Mian H.Abbas Amjad Ali**
The attached judgment was issued against you in favour of the plaintiff (**Platinum Taxi LLC**) on the above mentioned case.

As the plaintiff applied for execution of the above judgment and whereas the judgment to be executed as follows:
Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 26450.00
Therefor you are requested to execute what is mentioned in the execution document within 7 days from the date of the notice.
If you did not attend you are requested to attend before the above court. In case of your failure the court will commence the forced execution.

Judge
Ali Almuhallab - Ajman Court
Civil Execution Court
Signed and sealed

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Notice for payment in Case-AJCEXCICV52023/0005828/ Civil

To the convicted party: **Muhammad Naem Gul**
The attached judgment was issued against you in favour of the plaintiff (**Platinum Taxi LLC**) on the above mentioned case.

As the plaintiff applied for execution of the above judgment and whereas the judgment to be executed as follows:
Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 14234.0
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In case of your failure the court will commence the forced execution.

Judge
Abdulla Y Almurshidi - Ajman Federal Court
Civil Execution Court
Signed and sealed

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **HANEYA TARSHOUM SALEH TARSHOUM ALAMERI**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / 508**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

If you fail to pay the amount due within the specified period, DLD shall take the necessary legal proceeding pursuant to clause No (11) of the aforesaid.

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **MUHAMMAD AMIN MUGHAL**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / 533**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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Date of issue: 24/4/2024

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Ministry of Justice

Notice by publication on executed party
Notice for payment in Case-AJCEXCILAB52024/0000049/ labor

To the convicted party: **Muhammad Sarfaraz Md Najumulhaq**
The attached judgment was issued against you in favour of the plaintiff (**Platinum Taxi LLC**) on the above mentioned case.

As the plaintiff applied for execution of the above judgment and whereas the judgment to be executed as follows:
Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 14549.0
Therefor you are requested to execute what is mentioned in the execution document within 7 days from the date of the notice.
In case of your failure the court will commence the forced execution.

Judge
Ahmed Mohamed Ibrahim - Ajman Federal Court
Civil Execution Court
Signed and sealed

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
Issue:211
Date of issue: 24/4/2024

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
Ministry of Justice

Notice by publication on executed party
Notice for payment in Case-AJCEXCILAB52023/0005238/ labor

To the convicted party: **Mahdi bin Luffi**
The attached judgment was issued against you in favour of the plaintiff (**Platinum Taxi LLC**) on the above mentioned case.

As the plaintiff applied for execution of the above judgment and whereas the judgment to be executed as follows:
Total amount inclusive of the fees and expenses: 23022.0
Therefor you are requested to execute what is mentioned in the execution document within 7 days from the date of the notice.
In case of your failure the court will commence the forced execution.

Judge
Ahmed Mohamed Ibrahim - Ajman Federal Court
Civil Execution Court
Signed and sealed

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **SANJEEV KUMAR AGARWAL**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 19 / 322**) project (Azizi Riviera 19) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **MOHAMED AWADEKARIM IBNOUF SULIMAN**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 35 / 115**) project (Azizi Riviera 35) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **AHMED SALEM SLAYEM KHASWAN ALAMERI**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / RETAIL-05**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **KHALID KHAMIS OMAR**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 35 / 112**) project (Azizi Riviera 35) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **SULEMAN MOHAMMED**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 19 / 102**) project (Azizi Riviera 19) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

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DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **FARIDAH W MSHENESH**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / 624**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

If you fail to pay the amount due within the specified period, DLD shall take the necessary legal proceeding pursuant to clause No (11) of the aforesaid.

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DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **AU SABAH HAMEED ALMBTLE**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / 623**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

If you fail to pay the amount due within the specified period, DLD shall take the necessary legal proceeding pursuant to clause No (11) of the aforesaid.

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THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Developer's name: **AZIZI DEVELOPMENTS L.L.C**

Purchaser's name: **OBAID DH M S ALHAJRI**

The above mentioned developer claims that you have defaulted in the payment of installment/installments of the price for unit No (**Azizi Riviera 34 / RETAIL-02**) project (Azizi Riviera 34) Dubai.

In accordance with law no (13) of 2008 as amended, and its Executive Regulations, Dubai Land Department 'DLD', hereby notify you to rectify the default within (30) days as of the date of publication of this notice.

If you fail to pay the amount due within the specified period, DLD shall take the necessary legal proceeding pursuant to clause No (11) of the aforesaid.

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Notice Date: 22 - 04 - 2024
Notice No. 16440 / 2024
Task No. 148635 / 2024

**GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI
DUBAI COURTS
AMICABLE SETTLEMENTS**

Public Notice

Dispute No. 2667 / 2024 / 461 - Specific Amount Dispute.
Considered at Fifteenth Disputes Amicable Settlement Circuit No. 764.

Subject of Dispute To obligate the first defendant to pay an amount of AED 8627.50 in addition to the legal interest at the rate of 5% from the due date until full payment, in addition to fees and charges.

Claimant JERNAS RENT A CAR
Address United Arab Emirates, Emirate of Dubai, Bur Dubai, International City, England Street, Building 202, Shop No. 11, near Karachi Restaurant, Makani Number: 3925185212 - 0506268448
Notified Party 1- Assad Ali Muhammad Riaz, capacity: Defendant.
Subject of Notice The aforementioned case was filed against you, the subject of which is to obligate the first defendant to pay an amount of AED 8627.50 in addition to the legal interest at the rate of 5% from the due date until full payment, in addition to fees and charges.

A hearing was set on Wednesday, 01-05-2024 at 09:00 a.m. in the remote litigation chamber. Accordingly, you or your legal representative are required to appear and submit your memoranda or documents to the court at least three days before the hearing.

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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**GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI
DUBAI COURTS**

208 / 2024 / 1130 Civil implementation

Notice No. : 91230 / 2024 **Date** : 20-04-2024
Notice Type : Digital Notice for Payment
Journal No. **Issue No.** **Issue Date**
Notice Details

Public Notice Details

To
1- Sinto Chakalal Porinshu Porinshu Chakalal Fared Unknown residence.

Whereas Moosa Rent A Car LLC

The above-mentioned executive lawsuit has been filed against you and obliges you to implement what was stated in the executive document and pay the executed amount of AED 22897 to the person requesting the implementation or the court treasury, in addition to paying the prescribed fees, within 7 days from the date of publication of the notice. Otherwise, the enforcement court will take legal procedures against you.

EXPERT MEETING

Issue:211 THE GULF TIME — DATE: 26-04-2024

Subject: Publication announcement
Case No. 1473 of 2024 Commercial – Sharjah
At the Sharjah Federal Court of First Instance
Filed by the plaintiff: Emirates National Bank of Dubai PJSC
Defendant: Riyas Athanikal Tharayal Athanikal Tharayal, declared by publication

- Invited to attend in person or through an authorized agent for the (banking) experience meeting scheduled to be held in accordance with the details set forth below
-- Today: Wednesday, 01/05/2024
-- Time: 12:00 noon
- Remotely - via the Zoom application shown below:

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85103593861?pwd=Pv4zxcrcdLlMl8w80J2bNgSuG7zbA.1>
Meeting ID: 851 0359 3861
Passcode: 112233

Yours sincerely
Appointed banking expert Safiyya Hajj Akbar Muhammad
Registration No.: 726

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
Issue:211
Notification No.: 2024/94183
Date of Application: 24/04/2024
Task No.: 2024/152149

**GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI
DUBAI COURTS
DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE**

Notification by Publication

Regarding Case No. 1380/2024/40- civil
Held at The Thirteenth Circuit of Case Management Department no. 414
Subject of Case Ordering the defendants to pay the plaintiff AED 7,000 (seven thousand Dirhams) in return for attorney fees payable in favor of the plaintiff along with legal interest of 5% from the maturity date to the date of full payment.
Plaintiff JUMA KHALIFA ADVOCATES & LEGAL CONSULTANCY
Address UAE- The Emirate of Dubai, Deira, Al Garhoud Area, 65 street, Saraya Avenue Building, office no. 304. Tel: 0508857744

The parties to be notified:
1. Kurju Abdulla Rafeek Kurju, in his capacity as: defendant.
2. Nawaz Kuppandira Abdulsair, in his capacity as: defendant.
3. Abdul Sathar Kadumane, in his capacity as: defendant.

Subject of notification: We would like to inform you that the plaintiff filed a case against you in return to pay the plaintiff AED 7,000 (seven thousand Dirhams) in return for attorney fees payable in favor of the plaintiff.

The hearing of this case will be on Wednesday, 01/05/2024 at 09:00 am, at the Remote Litigation Courtroom. Therefore, you have to appear personally or you can appoint someone to appear on your behalf to submit your memoranda or documents to the court at least three days before the hearing.

EXPERT MEETING

Issue:211 THE GULF TIME — DATE: 26-04-2024

Announcement by publishing of a call for expert meeting

I, Waleed Khamees bin Suwaidan, in my capacity as an accounting expert assigned by the Dubai Court to conduct expertise in Case No. (194/2024) Civil,

have decided to call:
The first Defendant/ **Just UK Estates Ltd**
For the legal representative thereof to attend to our office in capacity thereof as: The first Defendant in such case mentioned in the above number.
Raised by Plaintiff/ **Alim Ashraf Bota**

To attend to our office:
Located in Dubai - Deira - Port Said Street - Aw Rotamani Trading Company Al Tadawi Medical Center - Golden Business Center Building - Floor No. (6) - Office No. (604) - T: 04-2208803 - on **Wednesday, 01/05/2024 at eleven o'clock in the morning (11:00 AM).**

Accounting Expert
Waleed Khamees bin Suwaidan
Registration No.: 141
//signed//

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
Issue:211
Notice No.: 16948/2024
Date of Notice: 24/04/2024
Mission No:152345/2024

**GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI
DUBAI COURTS
AMICABLE SETTLEMENT**

Published Notice

In dispute No. 461/2024/3616 Defined value dispute
Held in : Amicable Settlement of Disputes Twelve No. 761
Case Subject: Claiming the defendant to pay an amount of AED (121,443.85 AED), and interest of 5% from the due date until full payment, along with fees and expenses and attorney's fees, with the order including expedited enforcement by force of law.
Plaintiff: Bail Al-Batteejee Medical Co LLC
Address: Emirate of Dubai - Oud Metha - Bur Dubai - Dubai - Umm Hurair Street - Mokhawi Building - opposite Al Nasr Club - office No. 215- 0506127555
To be notified: 1- Chetty Veloutham Thwaraj as a defendant
Subject of Notice:
A case has been filed against you, the subject matter of which is a demand for the defendant to pay for the plaintiff an amount of AED (121,443.85 AED), and interest of 5% from the due date until full payment, along with fees and expenses and attorney's fees, with the order including expedited enforcement by force of law.
And a hearing was set for her on Tuesday, 30-04-2024 at 09:00 am in the Remote Litigation Hall, so you are required to attend or your legal representative, and you must submit your memoranda or documents to the court at least three days before the hearing.

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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Ref No. 042520241036904
Issue date: 25/04/2024

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MINISTRY OF JUSTICE**

Judgment Service by Publication
Memorandum of Judgment Service by Publication
Issued by Sharjah Federal Court, Court of First Instance - Civil
Issue in Lawsuit No. SHCFICOMS2023/0009354 Commercial

To:
1-First Defendant: Abdullah Ahmed Sundaqli, Address: 9966450

Kindly be informed that on 06/03/2024, This court issued a judgment against you in the abovementioned lawsuit of Emirates Islamic Bank as follows:

To obligate the defendant to pay to the Claimant an amount of AED 396,394.00, along with the interest of 2%, as which is the date of the judicial claim till full payment, provided that the interest does not exceed the principal amount ruled, in addition to the fees, expenses and AED 500 against attorney fees.

This judgement is appealable within legal period of day that follows the day on which you received this notification.

The Judge
Muhammad Hassan Muhammad Al Marzuqi
Sharjah Federal Court
Court of First Instance - Civil
//Signed and sealed//

THE GULF TIME
DATE: 26-04-2024
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**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MINISTRY OF JUSTICE**

Legal public notice of Defendant
At the Case Management Office Federal Court of Sharjah Federal Civil Court of First Instance
In case No. SHCFICOMS2024/0001968 / Commercial

To the Defendant: REGAL STEEL FZC
Unknown place of residence:
Defendants' legal public notice in Arabic and English

Obligating the first defendant to pay the plaintiff the full value of the invoices subject to the transaction amounting to AED 157,073. Obligating the second defendant jointly with the first defendant to pay the plaintiff the total amount of the debt amounting to AED 150,000 for the value of the two returned cheques and delayed interest at 9% per year from the date of the legal claim until payment. Obligating the defendants to jointly pay fees, expenses, and attorney's fees.

You are required to appear at the hearing of 07/05/2024 before the Case Management Office of the Sharjah Federal Court, Civil Court of First Instance - Office No. (Case Manager Office No. 10) in person or through an authorized representative, and submit a plea to the case with all documents attached within a period not exceeding ten days from the date of publication in order to consider the above-mentioned case - as a defendant.

Office of Judicial Services
Alisha Abdullah Al Ali
// sign // // seal - Ministry of Justice - United Arab Emirates //

Khawla Art and Culture

organises workshop on Arabic, Japanese calligraphy

ABU DHABI / WAM

Khawla Art and Culture, in collaboration with the Japanese Embassy, organised a workshop featuring the Japanese calligrapher, Juichi Yoshikawa, at New York University (NYU) Abu Dhabi, with the attendance of more than 25 participants, including students, talented individuals, and art enthusiasts, as well as Emirati calligrapher Mohammed Mandi.

The workshop, held as part of the ongoing Art of Calligraphy Exhibition organised by Khawla Art and Culture at its Abu Dhabi headquarters, included a presentation of Yoshikawa's artworks, showcasing the evolution of Arabic and Japanese calligraphy from ancient scripts to modern letterforms.

The workshop sparked significant interactions among students and calligraphers, aiming to refine young talents.

Additionally, Khawla Art and Culture hosted, in coordination with the spouse of the Japanese Ambassador to the UAE, a tour for 20 spouses of ambassadors from various countries, which featured key exhibits. This was followed by a dialogue session and an art workshop featuring Yoshikawa.

HH Sheikha Khawla Bint Ahmed Khalifa Al Suwaidi, wife of HH Sheikh Tahnoon bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Ruler of Abu Dhabi, Founder of Khawla Art & Culture, affirmed the UAE's growing status as a global hub for thinkers and

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creators, as it is witnessing a burgeoning cultural scene.

She also highlighted the workshop's role in encouraging active participation in the country's cultural development. The workshop aimed at engaging artists and experts across various cul-



The Arabic and Japanese calligraphy workshop, held as part of the ongoing Art of Calligraphy Exhibition organised by Khawla Art and Culture at its Abu Dhabi headquarters, included a presentation of Japanese calligrapher Juichi Yoshikawa's artworks, showcasing the evolution of Arabic and Japanese calligraphy from ancient scripts to modern letterforms —WAM PHOTOS

Hosting calligraphy workshops is in line with Khawla Art and Culture's commitment to highlighting the importance of handwritten text, teaching future generations various writing styles across multiple languages, and promoting linguistic diversity and intercultural understanding within society



tural domains, with an emphasis on promoting calligraphy art and nurturing young talents with the latest knowledge in artistic and cultural areas.

This will help enhance youth creativity and deepen understanding of all forms of arts and cultures.

Sheikha Khawla further said that calligraphy has played a significant role throughout history in documenting knowledge and fostering cultural exchange.

It has facilitated cultural dialogue among nations and civilisations while enhancing global communication.

Hosting such workshops is in line with Khawla Art and Culture's commitment to highlighting the importance of handwritten text, teaching future generations various writing styles across multiple languages, and promoting linguistic diversity and intercultural understanding within society.

Louvre Abu Dhabi opens From Kalila wa Dimna to La Fontaine: Travelling through Fables exhibition

With more than 132 artworks on display, the exhibition features a collection of rare manuscripts, paintings, contemporary works, and more — unveiling narratives of friendship, loyalty, cunning, and morality, as portrayed through anthropomorphic animal characters



Held in partnership with Bibliothèque nationale de France and France Muséums and with the support of Van Cleef and Arpels, the Louvre Abu Dhabi exhibition showcases a collection of ancient tales and illustrated fables —AD MEDIA OFFICE

ABU DHABI / AD MEDIA OFFICE

Louvre Abu Dhabi has opened its first exhibition of the year, From Kalila wa Dimna to La Fontaine: Travelling through Fables, following its inauguration by His Excellency Mohamed Khalifa Al Mubarak, Chairman at Department of Culture and Tourism — Abu Dhabi and Louvre Abu Dhabi Chairman.

Held in partnership with Bibliothèque nationale de France and France Muséums and with the support of Van Cleef and Arpels, the exhibition showcases a collection of ancient tales and illustrated fables.

Curated by Annie Vernay-Nouri, Former Chief Curator, Oriental Manuscripts Department, Bibliothèque nationale de France, the exhibition draws inspiration from traditional illustrated fables and delves into the world of animal tales embedded within histor-

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Manuel Rabaté, Director, Louvre Abu Dhabi

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Fables are a genre of literature that typically consists of short stories featuring animals or inanimate objects that possess human-like qualities. These stories often convey moral lessons and teach readers about human behaviour

through the actions and interactions of the characters. Fables have been passed down through generations and are found in various cultures around the world. They serve as a means of entertainment and impart wisdom and values to readers.

The exhibition traces the origins of this genre in India and Greece, following its evolution through the contributions of two key figures: Aesop in the Greco-Roman world and Ibn al-Muqaffa in the Arab-Islamic world.

It highlights how Ibn Al-

Muqaffa (c 720-756 CE)'s Arabic translation of Kalila wa Dimna played a pivotal role in the translations that followed, such as the Persian and French versions that Jean de La Fontaine based his translations on. La Fontaine (1621-1695 CE) is widely recognised as one of the most prominent literary figures in French history and his unique works have left a lasting impact on French literature.

Manuel Rabaté, Director, Louvre Abu Dhabi, said: “At Louvre Abu Dhabi, we are not just presenting art; we are weaving narratives as a universal museum, leading by storytelling. Fables have transcended linguistic and cultural boundaries, inspiring new creations in both the East and the West, perfectly aligning with our mission—shedding light on the shared stories of humanity.”

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