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# NEWSLETTER



## BAB Meets the Supreme Council for the Environment

1 Feb 2024| BAB Team Met with Director of climate change and sustainable development Mrs. Layla Sabeel, where she presented their major projects where banks can support and participate in.

## Meeting between banks and Tamkeen to introduce the new support programs

8 Feb 2024| The Bahrain Association of Banks organized a meeting between banks and the Labor Fund "Tamkeen" to introduce banks to new support programs for employment, career development and support for institutions, and

to discuss ways to facilitate emerging, small and medium-sized enterprises' access to the necessary financing to sustain their business, expand their activities, and increase their ability to create job opportunities and contribute to the gross domestic product and development.





## BAB and the Real Estate Regulatory Authority organize a workshop to introduce the “Aqari” platform

15 Feb 2024| The Bahrain Association of Banks, in cooperation with the Real Estate Regulatory Authority, organized a workshop with the aim of introducing the association’s members from banks and financial institutions more closely to the “Aqari” platform that the institution recently launched, and highlighting the potential role of the financial sector in interacting with this platform.

His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, CEO of the Real Estate Regulatory Authority, stressed the Authority’s keenness to introduce the “Aqari” platform to the widest possible extent in cooperation with all partners in the government and private sectors, including banks that are considered a major player in the real estate sector through the services they provide. Financing for various real estate products, including residential units, commercial and investment facilities, and others.



### BAB International Standards Committee (ISC) Meeting

1 Feb 2024| The Committee discussed a consultation paper received from the Central Bank of Bahrain about the Application of Shariah Governance Principles to Islamic Finance Windows.

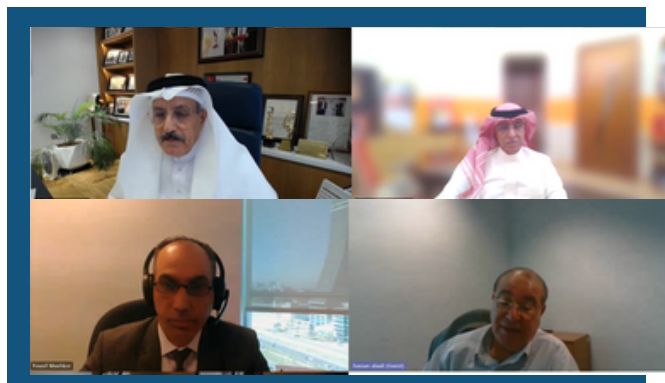
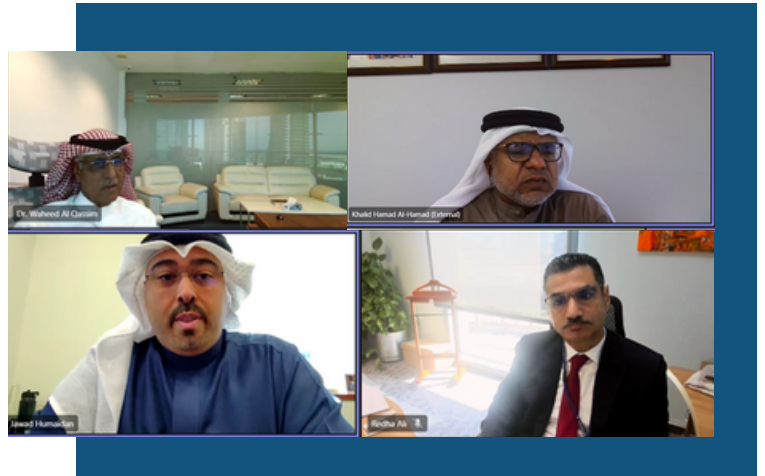
## MEETING WITH DR. PAUL DUDLEY

21 Feb 2024| BAB Team Met with the Dean of the College of Business & Law – British University of Bahrain Dr. Paul Dudley where they discussed research opportunities and joined collaborations between the University and the financial sector.



## "INCREASING PARTICIPATION OF DOMESTIC BANKS IN FINANCING STRATEGIC PROJECTS"

18 Feb 2024| BAB Ad hoc Committee met with the Central Bank of Bahrain Officials discussed ways to increase Banks financing strategic projects through consider adopting the method of financing through syndicated loans to meet the requirements of government funding for large projects and consider including capital participation and secularisation solutions in financing deals.



## BAB MANAGEMENT MEETING

7 Feb 2024| BAB Chairman met CEO and BAB team and discussed BAB Annual General Meeting will be held on 18 March to be held online. the CEO also update the chairman with updates related matters and subjects, also the current initiative and the future.

## ATTENDING THE DATA CANVAS & DATA GOVERNANCE EVENT

19 Feb 2024| Dr Waheed Al Qassim attends NAIB IT & Riyada Group Nationwide Data Canvas & Data Landscape Event, held in collaboration with Denodo & Amazon Web Services (AWS) on February 19th, 2024. at Four Seasons Hotel, Kingdom of Bahrain.



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