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#### **ALTAISEER GROUP GOES IPO**

Last month, Al Taiseer Group's TALCO Industrial Company completed its Initial Public Offering (IPO), a significant milestone in the company's history. By offering a portion of its shares for public subscription, TALCO aims to improve its governance and sustainability and take advantage of future growth opportunities. The offering included 12 million offer shares, representing 30% of the company's share capital, showcasing its dedication to transparency, stakeholder accountability, and adherence to international standards and classification.



#### MAADEN AIMS TO REDUCE NOX EMISSIONS BY 77%

Ma'aden, in collaboration with partner Zeeco, has launched the Ultra Low NOx Burner Replacement Project. This initiative aims to reduce NOx emissions from existing boilers by 77%, targeting emissions as low as 15 ng/J - an unprecedented achievement for utility boilers in the Middle East and Asia.

Reducing nitrogen oxide emissions will enhance air quality in local communities and contribute to global efforts to combat climate change.



### EGA IS THE FIRST TO DIGITISE A QUALITY ANALYSIS SYSTEM ON LME

EGA is the first company in the world to automate the process of submitting analysis certificates. These certificates are quality assurance documents required for metal shipments entering the exiting LME-approved warehouses worldwide. Metals can only be delivered to LME warehouses if they meet specific standards for quality, shape, weight, and the Exchange's responsible sourcing requirements.

This new facility will provide greater traceability, accessibility, and transparency in assessing the quality of metals.



### JEROME PECRESSE IS THE GUEST SPEAKER AT GAC DINNER 2024

GAC is pleased to announce that Jerome Pecresse, CEO of Aluminium Rio Tinto, will be the guest speaker at the GAC dinner on 7<sup>th</sup> November at Jumeirah Hotel, Muscat Bay, Oman.

GAC dinner is by invitation only.



#### EGA ALUMINIUM CAN COLLECTIONS INITIATIVE

EGA and RECAPP by Veolia have reached an important milestone in their collaborative efforts to improve aluminium recycling in the UAE. The initiative initially involved 12 schools near EGA's operations in Jebel Ali and al Taweelah but has now expanded to include 20 educational institutions and residential collections. Throughout the year, EGA and RECAPP have collected 145,000 used drink cans. According to the parties involved, 660 million aluminium beverage cans are used annually in the UAE, but only 33% are recycled.



#### **MAADEN ASI RE-CERTIFIED**

Ma'aden has received the latest ASI version recertification. Ma'aden obtained ASI certification in 2022, and the recertification further demonstrates its commitment to environmental and social responsibility and governance.



#### **ALBA SAFETY SUMMER CAMPAIGN**

Alba has launched its 2024 Summer Safety & Health (S&H) Campaign, "Safety Reflection for Family's Protection." The campaign will offer informative presentations by both in-house experts and external speakers covering various summer safety topics. This will ensure that employees, contractor workers, and their families are well-equipped with the knowledge they need to stay safe.



### QATALUM CONCLUDES HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Qatalum recently concluded its Healthy Lifestyle Awareness campaign, which aimed to promote a healthier work environment for employees and contractors. The initiative included comprehensive health assessments, such as blood pressure, blood sugar, and BMI tests, as well as personalized guidance. A total of 219 employees and 133 contractors participated in the program.



#### ALBA EXPANDS ITS YOUTH

Since the beginning of 2024, Alba has provided practical, hands-on experience to 215 students from local and international universities, with a significant 42% female representation. The program covers all company functions, from operations to administration.

This summer, Alba saw an 86% increase in On-the-Job Training participants, with 149 students compared to the previous year's 80.

By forming partnerships with local universities, Alba offered students invaluable industrial exposure and prepared them to become key contributors to Bahrain's economy.



### SOHAR COMMUNITY PROJECTS ARE NEAR COMPLETION

As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, two community projects by Sohar Aluminium are currently in progress and have reached over 90% completion. These projects, falling under the Health and Community Support sectors, consist of a Training Centre at Suhar Hospital and an Investment Building for the charity team.

The Training Centre is designed to provide facilities for ongoing training and skill updates for the staff at Suhar Hospital, the largest hospital in North Al Batinah, offering various care services. The Investment Building for the charity team aims to provide a sustained source of income to support their services to people in need in the community, including delivering rations, building houses, offering financial support, and more.

## 14th GAC DINNER

7<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Jumeirah Muscat Bay, Muscat, Oman

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