



## Barwa Bank appoints Talal Ahmed Al Khaja as Chief Communications Officer

**Doha – Qatar, August 2015:** Barwa Bank, Qatar’s most progressive Shari’ah compliant services provider, has announced the promotion of Talal Ahmad Al Khaja to the role of Chief Communications officer. In this newly expanded role, Al Khaja will be tasked with overseeing the bank’s marketing and communications, as well as public and shareholder relations in line with the bank’s evolution and development.

Prior to joining Barwa Bank in 2009, Al Khaja had worked across a wide swath of private sector institutions and organisations. Holding a Master’s Degree in Business Management, a Bachelor’s Degree from Qatar University, as well as numerous professional certifications, he has amassed over nine years of experience in administration, marketing, public relations and corporate governance.

Throughout his tenure at Barwa Bank, Al Khaja has made sizeable contributions to acquisitions of the group’s affiliate companies, as well as to subscription management in capital financing in 2011. His efforts have poured into the establishment of the Group’s Investor and Shareholder Relations department, demonstrating unique ability to weather business challenges and lead with proactive value-added initiatives.

Commenting on the promotion, Mr. Khalid Yusef Al-Subeai, Acting CEO of Barwa Bank Group, said:

*“Talal’s efforts have consistently met and exceeded our shareholder and investor expectations, building longstanding relationships with them and tackling obstacles and challenges with a solution-oriented approach.”*

He adds:

*“As we look to expand with a focused, progressive Shari’ah compliant offering, we have placed relentless focus on growing the role and depth of each of our verticals. And we are confident in*

*that Talal's leadership, as well as his wide-ranging expertise in the field, will help us realise this ambitious goal as we push the sustainable development of our operations and disciplines."*

He concludes:

*"On behalf of all Barwa Bank employees, I'd like to congratulate Talal on his well-earned promotion. I am confident in the many valuable contributions he will make to the group in this new role."*

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## **About Barwa Bank**

Barwa Bank is a Shari'ah compliant bank in the State of Qatar, established in Doha and licensed and regulated by the Qatar Central Bank. Barwa Bank provides a full range of Shari'ah compliant banking services including retail, corporate and commercial banking, private banking, real estate finance, structured finance, investments and asset management.