



Barwa Bank wins two Awards at the Arabian Business Achievement Awards Qatar 2012

Doha, xxx 2012—Barwa Bank Group, Qatar's fastest growing Shari'ah compliant bank, has been named as winner of the Arabian Business Achievement Awards Qatar 2012 for both "Fastest Growing Company of the Year" as well as the "Special Corporate Social Responsibility Award."

Each year, the Arabian Business Achievement Awards celebrate the very best in Middle Eastern business and, in winning these two prestigious awards, Barwa Bank adds to an increasing number of accolades received this year. .

Steve Troop, CEO, Barwa Bank commented, "These awards are a notable achievement for Barwa Bank. We have already been acknowledged as the Fastest Growing Bank in Qatar by Banker Middle East earlier this year and having a similar award from Arabian Business is further confirmation of our outstanding growth. The bank has grown significantly in both size and stature since it was established in 2008. We have had a lot to celebrate this year and intend to maintain our momentum as we go forward in future."

As well as being recognised as the Fastest Growing Company, Barwa Bank was also recognised for its Corporate Social Responsibility programme focussed upon education. This year, it launched a campaign with Qatar Charity to fund the education of a number of students for one year in Niger. The previous year the bank did the same for children in Somalia. Barwa Bank firmly believes in empowering people and building human capital : it also hosts a continuing internship program with Qatar University designed to nurture Qatar's future leaders.

"People are at the heart of everything we do and we believe, most strongly in the power of human relationships. Through living our values and believing in what we do, Barwa Bank hopes to leave a positive mark on the lives of others. We look forward to further growth, our continuing contribution to development of the Qatari economy and Shari'ah compliant financial services, as well as creating value for our customers and shareholders at all times" concluded Steve Troop.