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#### 1. QSTP RENEWS AGREEMENT WITH QATAR SHELL

Jan 20, 2019

Qatar Science & Technology Park renewed its decade-long partnership of research and technological cooperation with Qatar Shell Research and Technology Centre, to support Qatar on its journey towards becoming a sustainable, diversified economy.

**Doha, Qatar:** Qatar Science & Technology Park (QSTP), part of Qatar Foundation Research, Development and Innovation (QF RDI), renewed its partnership with Qatar Shell Research and Technology Centre (QSRTC) at a signing ceremony today.

Under the agreement, the two parties have committed to renewing their decade-long partnership of research and technological cooperation, to support Qatar on its journey towards becoming a sustainable, diversified economy.

The ceremony, held at QSTP, was attended by distinguished guests and representatives from both entities, with Yosouf Abdulrahman Saleh, Executive Director, QSTP, and Hussain Al Hijji, Vice President, QSRTC, signing the partnership renewal agreement.

The continued partnership between QSTP and QSRTC signifies their joint resolve and commitment to the development and implementation of sustainable and innovative technologies that address Qatar's energy needs, and carry the potential for global impact. Qatar Shell, in partnership with QSTP, launched QSRTC as an anchor tenant at QSTP in 2008 to execute the development of cutting-edge technologies.

Highlighting the importance of the renewal agreement, Mr. Saleh said: "I am extremely pleased to renew our partnership with Qatar Shell. In the decade of our partnership, QSRTC has successfully developed breakthrough technologies which are targeting the core energy and sustainability challenges faced not only by Qatar, but the region and the world.

"The partnership renewal is testament to our commitment to support new technology development programs and develop innovative new products, by forming strong and engaging partnerships with our tenants and regional research institutions. I would also like to commend the whole QSRTC team for their remarkable journey at QSTP, and reassure them that we will continue to support them as they join us, along with our other tenants, in helping to foster a thriving research, development, and innovation ecosystem in Qatar."



Yosouf Abdulrahman Saleh, Executive Director, QSTP, and Hussain Al Hijji, Vice President, QSRTC, after signing the partnership renewal agreement.

Mr. Al Hijji said: "This continued partnership focuses on developing and deploying innovative technologies that aim to use Qatar's resource-rich subsurface to its full potential.

"As part of this ambition, QSRTC is focusing on technologies that can help to reduce the footprint of Qatar Shell's Pearl GTL asset – the world's largest GTL plant – and creating future pathways to further monetize gas streams in Qatar. For this, QSRTC has an active program of collaborations with the academic community in Qatar and abroad, which connects local researchers to Shell's R&D and leading institutions worldwide, and trains Qatari leaders in the energy sector.

"All this is leveraged by our presence in QSTP, which provides a world-class facility; proximity to assests, industrial knowledge, and academia; and the unique ability to execute pilot projects like our research on wetlands and water distillation."

Dr. Richard O'Kennedy, Vice President, QF RDI, said: "Our partnership with Qatar Shell has developed implementable world-class technologies.

"Our support for Qatar Shell and QSRTC is aligned with nationwide efforts to promote sustainable and diversified development projects, as reflected by QSRTC's exemplary work in efficient management of hydrocarbons and sustainable use of water – a key challenge for Qatar and the region. I am confident that the milestones we achieve together will have a remarkable impact on the lives of our current and future generations."

Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman, Qatar Shell, said: "Innovation and technology are vital to providing more and cleaner energy solutions in a world transitioning to a low carbon energy system. We consider R&D a fundamental part of Shell's past and future success. Therefore we are delighted to continue our presence at QSTP.

"It has been important from the beginning that we make a lasting contribution to the growth and sustainability of Qatar's economy and society. Our R&D activities, in close collaboration with a variety of Qatari parties and international universities, will have a positive impact on Qatar in line with Qatar National Vision 2030."



(from right) Dr. Richard O'Kennedy, Vice President, QF RDI; Yosouf Abdulrahman Saleh, Executive Director, QSTP; Hussain Al Hijji, Vice President, QSRTC; and Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman, Qatar Shell, during the signing ceremony.

#### **Qatar Science & Technology Park**

Qatar Science & Technology Park (QSTP), part of Qatar Foundation Research, Development and Innovation (QF RDI), is a Free Zone, accelerator, and incubator for tech-product development in Qatar. The park fosters an innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem in Qatar that works to accelerate commercialization of market-ready technologies to realize Qatar's national diversification drive.

QSTP's focus ranges across four overarching themes, comprising Energy, Environment, Health Sciences, and Information & Communication Technologies, in line with the Qatar National Research Strategy announced in 2012.

Located in Qatar Foundation's Education City, QSTP has access to the vital resources of a cluster of leading research universities. Members of QSTP's Free Zone include SMEs, international corporations, and research institutions. They are collectively committed to investing in new technology development programs, creating intellectual property, enhancing technology management skills, and developing innovative new products.

QSTP supports QF RDI's economic and human development objectives for Qatar, and is increasingly recognized as an international hub for applied research, innovation, incubation, and entrepreneurship.

For more information, please visit the QSTP website at www.qstp.org.qa

#### **Qatar Foundation Research, Development and Innovation (QF RDI)**

The Qatar Foundation Research, Development, and Innovation (QF RDI) division's role is to play an integral part in identifying and addressing challenges and opportunities across ICT, energy, environment, healthcare, and agribusiness, in alignment with Qatar's national RDI strategy and priorities. QF RDI is at the forefront of Qatar's innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem, accelerating economic development through supporting the commercialization of market-ready technologies and facilitating the creation of new high-tech products and services.

QF RDI is responsible for translating Qatar's national RDI strategy into specific initiatives and actions for Qatar Foundation's (QF) RDI entities. It also directs their efforts in relation to economic value creation, knowledge transfer, and the establishment of mutually-beneficial national and international RDI partnerships. To ensure these efforts deliver maximum impact, the QF Vice President for Research, Development, and Innovation plans, coordinates, and oversees all RDI-related activities across QF.

#### **Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential**

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) is a non-profit organization that supports Qatar on its journey to becoming a diversified and sustainable economy. QF strives to serve the people of Qatar and beyond by providing specialized programs across its innovation-focused ecosystem of education, science and research, and community development.

QF was founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Amir, and Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, who shared the vision to provide Qatar with quality education. Today, QF's world-class education system offers lifelong learning opportunities to community members as young as six months through to doctoral level, enabling graduates to thrive in a global environment and contribute to the nation's development.

QF is also creating a multidisciplinary innovation hub in Qatar, where homegrown researchers are working to address local and global challenges. By promoting a culture of lifelong learning and fostering social engagement through programs that embody Qatari culture, QF is committed to empowering the local community and contributing to a better world for all.

For a complete list of QF's initiatives and projects, visit <a href="www.qf.org.qa">www.qf.org.qa</a>

#### **QSRTC**

Qatar Shell Research and Technology Centre (QSRTC) is the anchor tenant at Qatar Foundation's Qatar Science and Technology Park (QSTP) alongside other International Oil Companies (IOCs). Opened in 2008, it has developed and deployed innovative solutions in line with the Qatar National Vision 2030 to foster a diverse, knowledge-based economy.

QSRTC represents Shell's research and development (R&D) in Qatar, delivering projects related to Gas-to-X. Gas in GTX can be CO2 methane or ethane; X can be LNG, GTL, chemical or other products

Specialists at QSRTC work closely with experts from external industrial partners, universities and institutes. Including Qatari and international collaborators such as the Ministry of Municipality and Environment, Qatar Foundation, Qatar University, Texas A&M University in Qatar, Imperial College London, as well as numerous non-governmental institutions and companies. These collaborations help ensure a healthy influx of new ideas and speed up the deployment of new technology in our operations.

Qatar Shell Research and Technology Centre form part of an integrated network of Shell technology centres across the world.

## 2. QFA AND QATAR SHELL TO HOST FUN-FILLED SPORTS SPECTACULAR AT KATARA

Feb 06, 2019

Qatar Football Association and Qatar Shell announce an array of fun-filled family activities to be held as part of the award-winning Koora Time programme at Katara during National Sport Day.

**Doha, Qatar:** Qatar Football Association (QFA) and Qatar Shell offer an array of fun-filled family activities as part of the award-winning Koora Time programme at Katara during National Sports Day. Last year, over 7,000 people flocked to the sporting spectacular and, this time round, organisers are confident of surpassing this record with the support of the local community.

"We are immensely proud of our Koora Time initiative which, over the past seven years, has transformed the fitness and nutrition habits of an entire generation of children in Qatar," said Khalid Mubarak Al-Kawari, Director of Communication and Marketing, QFA. "For National Sport Day 2019, the Koora Time 'event' will take community participation to a whole new level, and I am really looking forward to welcoming Qatar's residents to this outstanding sporting spectacle."

"Koora Time promotes an active lifestyle among Qatar's young people through participation in football and nutritional education, creating a healthier population for the future," said Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell Companies. "It's great to showcase the programme that contributes to Qatar National Vision 2030 to a larger audience during the National Sport Day activities at Katara."

The Koora Time 'event' will be open from 8am to 6pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February at Katara, and participants are encouraged to get there early to make the most of a day devoted to the celebration of sport.

A variety of football and fitness activities for all age groups will play out in a fun and non-competitive environment. Two football pitches, including one dedicated to children aged 12 and under, will feature several tournaments, in addition to six other football-related games. These include Robo Goalkeeper, which requires participants to try and score against a robotic goalkeeper defending the goal in a seesaw motion. Other activities include Chip Shot, where up to four participants divided into two teams must chip a ball into one of several football-sized holes.

Families will also have the opportunity to participate in fitness classes that will run throughout the day, promoting a healthy lifestyle for the whole family.

Children will take souvenirs back home in the form of photos as part of the Dive and Save activity, where participants are photographed as a keeper making an amazing last-ditch save.

Koora Time was developed by Qatar Shell in partnership with the Qatar Football Association, and the initiative has won eight CSR awards since 2014. It is designed to improve the health and wellbeing of young people in Qatar through football, and contributes to the Social Development pillar of the Qatar National Vision 2030.

Koora Time is based on FC Barcelona Foundation's FutbolNet methodology and provides children with an extra 72 hours of extra-curricular physical education per year. Since its launch in March 2013, the programme has benefitted over 20,000 children across Qatar, and last year's programme saw a reduction in Body Mass Index (BMI) of 93% of participants.

To find out more about Koora Time, or to register your child for the award-winning and impactful programme, please visit **www.kooratime.ga**.

#### **About Qatar Football Association**

The Qatar Football Association was established in the 1960's; it is a pioneer among Qatari sports associations. QFA plays a pivotal role in laying the foundation for football in the state and is still

the first to help advance the game and improve its level in Qatar, thus making the state a crucial player on the regional and international football scene.

Social responsibility is one of the key priorities of the Qatar Football Association (QFA). The purpose of engaging the society through various football-related programs has been well received by the public in recent years.

The QFA aims to strengthen the role of engaging the society through sports activities under the 2021 vision of the football ruling body.

The Qatar Football Association works on all levels of the football system to identify and develop young Qatari talents.

- QFA bonds with the local society to promote the game and expand its fan-base in a systematic and methodical approach.
- QFA aims to reinforce football professionalism by improving the existing infrastructure of the game.
- The ruling authority is constantly striving to develop and harness young talent that could be the base for youth and senior outfits competing regionally, continentally and internationally.

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A ten-year sustainable initiative between Qatar Football Association (QFA) and Qatar Shell, Koora Time is designed to improve the health and wellbeing of Qatar's youth through football.

This initiative aims to facilitate access to more football in a non-competitive environment, supporting an active and healthy lifestyle amongst the young people in Qatar. As part of the tenyear campaign, QFA and Qatar Shell will jointly organise and launch a series of youth engagement programmes using football as the platform.

Koora Time supports the Social and Human Development pillar of the Qatar National Vision 2030 and the National Development Strategy (NDS) through engaging the young people in Qatar at every stage of their lives with programmes tailored to them.

In recognition of its positive impact on the health of youth, Koora Time has been the recipient of numerous awards including the 2014 & 2016 'Sports Industry Award' for Best CSR Initiative, the 2015 'CSR Award Qatar' for Best CSR Impact Initiative, the 2014 'Dar Al Sharq Corporate Social Responsibility Award' for the Best Sports Initiative, the 2014, 2016 & 2017 'AFC Dream of Asia Award' in the area of social responsibility, and the 2017 'QFA Awards' for Best CSR Programme.

### 3. QFA AND QATAR SHELL HOST VIBRANT KOORA TIME EVENT

Feb 12, 2019

Qatar Football Association and Qatar Shell welcomed a record 8,000 visitors, who flocked to Katara to celebrate National Sport Day and take part in fun-filled family activities organised as part of the award-winning Koora Time programme.

**Doha, Qatar :** A record 8,000 visitors flocked to Katara today to celebrate National Sport Day and take part in fun-filled family activities organised by Qatar Football Association (QFA) and Qatar Shell as part of their award-winning *Koora Time* programme.

The Koora Time event, which took place from 8am to 6pm at Katara, was aimed at promoting a healthy lifestyle and diet among Qatar's youth. And, as the massive number of attendees demonstrated, it was a resounding success.

The event opened with the Asian Federation Cup trophy on display, to the surprise of visitors who celebrated Qatar's successful journey throughout the tournament to secure the title for the first time.

"This year's record number of participants reflect our achievements, in partnership with Qatar Shell, in engaging the local community to promote a healthier future for our youth," said Khalid Mubarak Al-Kawari, Director of Communication and Marketing, QFA.

The unique sporting event, which had attracted over 7,000 attendees last year, featured a variety of football and fitness activities for all age groups in a fun and non-competitive environment.

"The record turnout for the second consecutive year demonstrates that the Koora Time initiative is making a tangible contribution to advancing the social development pillar of the Qatar National Vision 2030," said Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell Companies.

Two football pitches, including one dedicated to children aged 12 and under, played host to several tournaments throughout the day. In total, each pitch featured 10 hours of action, in addition to six other football-related games

Parents also joined their children in fitness classes that ran throughout the day, promoting healthy lifestyles for the whole family.

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Qatari footballers, Tameem Al-Muhaza and Abdelkarim Hassan, participate in the Koora Time NSD event.



Management teams of Qatar Football Association and Qatar Shell participate in a football game.



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## 4. QATAR FOUNDATION SIGNS HEALTH AND SAFETY AGREEMENT WITH QATAR SHELL

Mar 10, 2019

Qatar Foundation and Qatar Shell signed an agreement to collaborate, and promote best practices for workers' welfare, safety, and environmental management.

**Doha, Qatar :** Qatar Foundation (QF) and Qatar Shell today signed an agreement that will see the two organizations collaborate to share and promote best practices for workers welfare, safety, and environmental management.

The agreement was signed by Mr. Ghanim Hassan Al-Ibrahim, Chief Operations Officer, QF, and Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman, Qatar Shell Companies. The ceremony took place at QF Headquarters in Education City.

Mr. Al-Ibrahim said: "We're delighted to sign this agreement with Qatar Shell. This collaboration will see QF and Qatar Shell exchange ideas, share experiences, and develop best practices to promote sustainable and meaningful progress in this area. It represents our shared dedication to ensuring that we are maintaining the highest standards of health and safety across our organizations, while also focusing on protecting our environment.

"QF and Qatar Shell have a long history of successful and impactful partnerships, and through this agreement we are aiming to lead by example with regard to promoting a positive health and safety culture within all working practices."

Mr. Faulkner commented: "Health, safety, worker welfare, and environment have always been a priority for Shell and run through everything we do in Qatar.

"I greatly respect what Qatar Foundation represents and, therefore, am thrilled that we will continue to work together to achieve even more progress in these areas."





### **Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential**

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) is a non-profit organization that supports Qatar on its journey to becoming a diversified and sustainable economy. QF strives to serve the people of Qatar and beyond by providing specialized programs

across its innovation-focused ecosystem of education, research and development, and community development.

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### 5. QATAR SHELL AND THE AL-ATTIYAH FOUNDATION CELEBRATE A LONG-STANDING PARTNERSHIP

Mar 27, 2019

Qatar Shell and the Al-Attiyah Foundation celebrated five years of partnership in supporting the Foundation's work as an independent, non-profit think tank focused on energy and sustainable development.



H.E. Ibrahim Ibrahim, Vice-Chairman, the Al-Attiyah Foundation and Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman, Qatar Shell, celebrate their partnership.

Qatar Shell and the Al-Attiyah Foundation took a moment to celebrate their long-standing partnership. For over five years, Qatar Shell has supported the Foundation's work as an independent, non-profit think tank focused on energy and sustainable development.

"I would like to pass on my sincere appreciation to Qatar Shell for their continued support as our partner. Once again, Qatar Shell is sponsoring the annual Abdullah bin Hamad Al-Attiyah International Energy Awards, which recognises individuals for their Lifetime of Achievements in the energy industry. We look forward to our continued collaboration." said H.E. Ibrahim Ibrahim, Vice Chairman, Al-Attiyah Foundation.

Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman, Qatar Shell, said: "I was honored to mark this occasion with the Foundation's Vice Chairman, His Excellency Ibrahim Ibrahim. As an independent organisation in Qatar focused on providing expert opinion and informed debate on energy and sustainable development themes, the Al-Attiyah Foundation's work has great value for the industry."

## 6. QFA AND QATAR SHELL CELEBRATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF KOORA TIME

Mar 30, 2019

Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association honoured the various stakeholders who contributed to Koora Time's success, as the initiative wrapped up its 7th season.



Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association (QFA) have wrapped up the seventh season of Koora Time with an awards ceremony that celebrated participants' achievements and honoured the various stakeholders who contributed to the initiative's success.

The efforts of 36 outstanding participants and six coaches were recognized during a ceremony held on Saturday, 30 March 2019, at Aspire Dome. The awards were presented by QFA General Secretary, Mansoor Al-Ansari, and the Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell, Mr. Andrew Faulkner.

By celebrating their successes and achievements, Qatar Shell and QFA hope to encourage participants to remain committed to sports and a healthy lifestyle, which represents the initiative's ultimate goal.

Commenting on the event, which is being held for the first time, Mr. Faulkner said, "This year's awards ceremony aims to celebrate over seven years of vibrant success since the launch of the initiative in 2012."

"The record number of participants with an increased number of female participants, the addition of new venues, and the reported improvement in participants' health indicators demonstrate that Koora Time is having a tangible impact and meeting its objectives," he added.

Mr. Al-Ansari highlighted the importance of QFA's collaboration with Qatar Shell and its significant contribution in raising awareness on the positive impact of sports in ensuring a healthy lifestyle.

"Our collaborative efforts have played a key role in advancing our shared objectives and accomplishing a great deal in a relatively short period," Al-Ansari noted.

Koora Time, created and designed by the Qatar Football Association (QFA) and Qatar Shell to improve the health and wellbeing of young people in Qatar through football, facilitates access to additional hours of physical activity and offers youth the opportunity to play football in a fun and non-competitive environment.

The latest edition attracted a weekly average of 3,500 participants who had access to 30 venues for football and sports-related activities, including Mesaieed, Dukhan and Al Shamal, compared to eight venues when Koora Time launched in 2012. The initiative ran weekly from October 2018 until March 2019, with major events taking place on Qatar National Day and National Sport Day.

The initiative's undisputed success was evident in numbers, with a significant number of Koora Time participants having improved their Body Mass Index (BMI). The latest season further contributed to empowering women in Qatar, with girls accounting for half of participants.

Koora Time was developed by Qatar Shell in partnership with QFA and has benefited over 96,000 youth across Qatar since its launch. The initiative is based on FC Barcelona Foundation's FutbolNet methodology, and provides children with an extra 72 hours of extra-curricular physical education per year. In recognition of its positive impact on the health of youth, Koora Time has won nine awards locally and internationally, including the Asian Football Confederation's Dream of Asia Award in the area of social responsibility in 2014 and 2016.

The initiative is part of Qatar Shell's Social Investment Strategy, which spans all of Qatar's society, and tackles education, sport, health, research, economy, culture and the environment. Qatar Shell's 2019-2021 strategy, which focuses on the human development and economic development pillars of the QNV 2030 and the new National Development Strategy 2018-2022, introduces two of Shell's global flagship programmes. NXplorers is an initiative to introduce future leaders to the complex thinking needed to bring about positive change to help address Qatar's STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) challenges; and LiveWIRE, is an initiative to support local entrepreneurs in their enterprise development.

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# 7. KOORA TIME, QATAR SHELL AND QFA INITIATIVE WINS 'BEST COMMUNITY PROGRAMME AWARD' AT 11TH GLOBAL CSR SUMMIT & AWARDS

Apr 20, 2019

Koora Time wins Best Community Programme Award at the 11th Global CSR Summit & Awards in Malaysia, bringing the total number of local and international honours received to 10 since the initiative was launched in 2012.



(From left) Rashid Majed Al-Sulaiti, Deputy General Manager of Qatar Shell Companies, and Khalid Mubarak Al-Kawari, Director of Marketing and Communication of Qatar Football Association, speak at the Koora Time press conference.



Koora Time team members from the Qatar Football Association and Qatar Shell celebrate their 10th award, 'Best Community Programme Award' from 11th Global CSR Summit & Awards™.



Jaber Al-Mansoor, Social investment Advisor, Qatar Shell, receives Koora Time's 'Best Community Programme Award' atThe Global CSR Awards 2019™ in Malaysia.

Koora Time, a sustainable initiative created and designed by Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association (QFA) to improve the health and wellbeing of young people in Qatar through football, has added a new accolade to its growing list of awards.

Koora Time won the 'Best Community Programme Award' at the 11<sup>th</sup> Global CSR Summit & Awards™ in Malaysia this April, bringing the total number of local and international honours received to 10, since the initiative was launched in 2012.

The award, which was presented at The Global CSR Awards 2019<sup>™</sup>, Asia's most prestigious recognition programme for corporate social responsibility, bears testament to the successful partnership between Qatar Shell and QFA.

Khalid Mubarak Al-Kawari, QFA Director of Marketing and Communication, noted that the association's social responsibility program is an essential part of its Vision 2021.

"The success of Koora Time, which has gained an international reputation, motivates us to further expand the initiative to reach more of our youth. There is no doubt that the latest award comes within the framework of our renewed efforts since the beginning of this season, to effectively engage the local community and achieve our objectives, in cooperation with our partners at Qatar Shell," he explained.

Al-Kawari also added that this award represents another incentive to pursue further achievements, both locally and internationally. "We are working hard towards achieving new accomplishments after the expansion of the Koora Time initiative in the local community and with our participation in events such as Qatar National Day, the National Sport Day, as well as the Emir Cup."

"I would like to thank Koora Time team members from the Qatar Football Association, Qatar Shell, and QFA's executive board members, as well as QFA President, His Excellency Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Thani, for his support and for prioritizing social responsibility initiatives within the framework of our Vision 2021," Al-Kawari said.

"I would also like to highlight the pivotal and strategic role that the Ministry of Education and Higher Education and Aspire Academy play in promoting Koora Time, which seeks to improve the health of youth through football."

Commenting on the award, Rashid Majed Al-Sulaiti, Deputy General Manager of Qatar Shell Companies, noted that "Qatar Shell's Social Investment initiatives are an integral and vital part of our business, which aim to build national capabilities, and reflect our unwavering commitment to promoting Qatari values and working to transform Qatar into a self-sustaining nation in line with the National Vision 2030."

"Since the launch of Koora Time, we have proudly benefited over 100,000 youth across Qatar. And this latest award recognises the tangible contribution of our partnership with QFA in this regard," Al-Sulaiti added.

Qatar Shell and QFA have recently wrapped up the seventh season of Koora Time, which attracted a weekly average of 3,500 participants, who had access to 30 venues for football and sports-related activities compared to eight venues when Koora Time launched in 2012.

The initiative's undisputed success was evident in numbers, with a significant number of participants having improved their Body Mass Index (BMI). The latest season further contributed to empowering women in Qatar, with girls accounting for half of the participants.

The initiative is based on FC Barcelona Foundation's FutbolNet methodology and provides children with an extra 72 hours of extra-curricular physical education per year. In recognition of its positive impact on the health of youth, Koora Time has won 10 CSR awards over the past years, including the Asian Football Confederation's Dream of Asia Award in the area of social responsibility in 2014 and 2016.

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Koora Time supports the Social and Human Development pillar of the Qatar National Vision 2030 and the National Development Strategy (NDS) through engaging the young people in Qatar at every stage of their lives with programmes tailored to them.

In recognition of its positive impact on the health of youth, Koora Time has been the recipient of numerous awards including the 2014 and 2016 'Sports Industry Award' for Best CSR Initiative, the 2015 'CSR Award Qatar' for Best CSR Impact Initiative, the 2014 'Dar Al Sharq Corporate Social Responsibility Award' for the Best Sports Initiative, the 2014, 2016 and 2017 'AFC Dream of Asia Award' in the area of social responsibility, and the 2017 'QFA Awards' for Best CSR Programme.

# 8. QATAR SHELL INVITES FOOTBALL FANS TO CELEBRATE AMIR CUP WITH STAR PLAYERS AT DOHA FESTIVAL CITY

May 01, 2019

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Qatar Shell, sponsor of the Amir Cup for 15 consecutive years, will host a virtual autograph booth in Doha Festival City, where fans will have the chance to virtually meet, interact and pose for pictures with five renowned players from leading Qatari football clubs, and take away a print copy of the signed photographs.

The booth is open to the public from 6pm to 10pm between April 30 and May 5, and from 8pm to 12am from the start of Ramadan until May 15. The booth will showcase the tournament's cup from May 2 to May 4, giving fans the opportunity for a close-up inspection of the trophy, before capturing the moment in pictures.

Commenting on the event, Khalid Mubarak Al-Kawari, QFA Director of Marketing and Communication, said this latest initiative demonstrates that QFA's partnership with Qatar Shell is producing fresh and innovative ideas to promote sports among Qataris, particularly the Amir Cup, one of our most important events of the year."

"We are glad that our partnership with Qatar Shell continues to gain momentum after years of successful cooperation," he noted.

Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell, Andrew Faulkner, noted that this exciting event is a continuation of the long-standing relationship between the QFA and Qatar Shell, and commented that it reflects, "our unwavering commitment to our shared objectives of promoting sports to contribute to improving the health of youth."

Qatar Shell and QFA will celebrate this year's Amir Cup final by hosting a fan zone at Al Wakrah Stadium. The fan zone, which will be open to the public on May 16 from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm, will feature various children-oriented activities.

Last year, Qatar Shell extend its sponsorship of the Amir Cup and Qatar National Teams for another five years, in a clear demonstration of the strength of its partnership with QFA.

The partnership gained momentum in 2012 with the launch of Koora Time, an initiative that aims to improve the health and well-being of Qatar's younger population through football.

Since its launch, the initiative has benefited over 100,000 young people across Qatar, and has secured over 10 local and international awards in recognition of its success in engaging and improving the health of youth. The latest season of Koora Time attracted a weekly average of 3,500 participants, half of whom were girls.

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## 9. QATAR SHELL'S BOOTH HOSTS AMIR CUP TROPHY, WELCOMES HUNDREDS OF FANS

May 04, 2019

**Doha, Qatar:** Hundreds of fans flocked to Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association's (QFA) virtual autograph booth at Doha Festival City, where the Amir Cup's tournament trophy was on display since Thursday, May 2.



Fans flock to Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association's virtual autograph booth

Qatar Shell, Lead Sponsor of the prestigious Amir Cup for the past fifteen years, hosted this event within the framework of its long-standing partnership with QFA.

Fans had the opportunity to closely inspect the trophy and capture the moment in pictures, whilst virtually interacting with renowned players from leading Qatari football clubs.

The booth, which opened to the public on April 30, will continue to welcome visitors until May 15.

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## 10. QATAR SHELL WINS 'BEST QATARIZATION PROGRESS' AWARD

May 27, 2019

Qatar Shell receives Best Qatarization Progress Crystal Award, in recognition of its valued contribution to Qatarization in the energy sector. The award brings the total number of accolades secured by Qatar Shell to 7, since the launch of the energy sector's Annual Qatarization Awards in 2008.



His Excellency Mr. Saad Sherida Al-Kaabi, the Minister of State for Energy Affairs and President and Chief Executive Officer of QatarEnergy (QE), and Andrew Faulkner, Qatar Shell Managing Director and Chairman.

**Doha, Qatar -** Qatar Shell has added a new accolade to its list of honours, receiving the 'Best Qatarization Progress Crystal Award' in recognition of its valued contribution to Qatarization in the energy sector. The award was presented by His Excellency Mr. Saad Sherida Al-Kaabi, the Minister of State for Energy Affairs and President and Chief Executive Officer of QatarEnergy (QE), at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Qatarization Awards, which recognised companies that demonstrated excellence in Qatarization during 2018.

The awards followed the energy sector's '19<sup>th</sup> Annual Qatarization Review Meeting', which brought together senior executives and representatives from the 35 companies participating in the Energy Sector's Strategic Qatarization Plan, as well as senior executives from Qatar's education community.

For the second consecutive year, Qatar Shell was shortlisted for multiple award categories, which included 'Support and Liaison with the Education Sector', 'Supporting Qatarization', 'Support for Training and Development', and 'Best Qatarization Progress'.

Qatar Shell Managing Director and Chairman, Andrew Faulkner, said: "We are proud to be recognised for our achievements in Qatarization and for our efforts to become an employer of choice for Qataris. We remain committed to recruiting, developing, and supporting Qatari employees through our competitive employment packages, robust learning opportunities and

career development paths. The contribution of our Qatari employees is key to the future success of Qatar Shell and to achieving the human development pillar of the National Vision 2030."

The award brings the total number of accolades secured by Qatar Shell since the launch of the energy sector's 'Annual Qatarization Awards' in 2008 to seven. These include five crystal awards and two recognition certificates.

# 11. QATAR SHELL AND QFA'S KOORA TIME INITIATIVE WINS SECOND CSR AWARD OF THE YEAR

Jul 27, 2019

Koora Time has won its second CSR award of the year, the Silver International CSR Excellence Award in the Sports Sector in the Community Commitment category. The International CSR Excellence Award was presented to the Koora Time team on July 22 at a special ceremony event held at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

**Doha, Qatar:** Koora Time, a sustainable initiative created and designed by Qatar Shell and Qatar Football Association (QFA) to improve the health and wellbeing of young people in Qatar through football, has earned its second Corporate Social Responsibility award this year.

Koora Time won the Silver International CSR Excellence Award in the Sports Sector in the Community Commitment category, adding a new accolade to its growing list of awards. These include the 'Best Community Programme Award', which was presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> Global CSR Summit & Awards in Malaysia this April.

Mansoor Al-Ansari, General Secretary of QFA, received the new CSR award on July 22 at a ceremony event the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

He said: "I'm proud to collect the award on behalf of QFA and Qatar Shell. This award recognises Koora Time's tangible contribution to the promotion of a healthy youth community in Qatar by not only attracting over 100,000 boys and girls to regularly exercise, but also by helping 95% of the participants reduce their Body Mass Index."

The International CSR Excellence Awards, operated by The Green Organisation, an independent, international, non-profit and non-political environmental group founded in 1994, recognises responsible companies and organisations that give back to the community.





This latest award brings the total number of local and international awards that *Koora Time* has received to 11, since its launch in 2012. Among these are the Asian Football Confederation's Dream of Asia Award in the area of social responsibility in 2014 and 2016.

Qatar Shell and QFA are currently gearing up to launch the 8th season of Koora Time.

The 7th season of the initiative attracted a weekly average of 3,500 participants, marking a 133% year on year increase in the average overall numbers. Notably, 53% of participants were girls, an increase from 50% in the previous season, which reflects the initiative's success in supporting female empowerment in Qatar.

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### 12. WOQOD AND SHELL LUBRICANTS INK DEAL ON SUPPLY OF PREMIUM LUBRICANTS

Aug 25, 2019

Qatar Fuel Company (WOQOD) and Shell Lubricants signed an agreement over the supply of finished premium lubricants. Under the agreement, Shell will provide WOQOD engine lubricants over a five-year period.



Andrew Faulkner and Saad Rashid Al-Muhannadi conclude the deal between WOQOD and Shell Lubricants in relation to the supply of finished premium lubricants in Qatar.

The agreement was signed at the WOQOD office by Saad Rashid Al-Muhannadi, Managing Director and CEO of WOQOD, Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell Companies, and Azmat Jafri, GM Lubricants Middle East.

This new agreement will power WOQOD lubricants with Shell technology and have the advantage of being blended from the purest Qatari GTL (Gas To Liquid) base oil. GTL technology converts natural gas into colorless base oils with virtually none of the impurities found in crude oil; delivering exceptional engine protection under extreme conditions.

Saad Rashid Al-Muhannadi, WOQOD's Managing Director and CEO, commented: "This strategic alliance between WOQOD and Shell will ensure that WOQOD is providing the premium quality lubricants to Qatar market". He added, "In 2009 WOQOD signed an agreement with Shell Marine for the exclusive distribution of marine lubricants in Qatar for 15 years. This Co-branded automotive partnership is therefore a further extension of that relationship".

The agreement will ensure the supply of high-quality lubricants, combining premium Qatari GTL components and Shell technology, across all WOQOD retail sites from September 2019.

Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell said the agreement is an acknowledgement of the benefits of Shell's engine oil expertise and cutting-edge technology,

noting that the deal also, 'reflects WOQOD and Qatar Shell's shared commitment to the delivery of premium products and services in Qatar.'

The supplied premium engine oils will be co-branded as WOQOD OTO and will be available in a variety of packs and applications.

#### **Co-branded Lubricants**

WOQOD has developed a new OTO range of lubricants which includes, OTO MOTIV the petrol engine oils, OTO MAX the Diesel engine oils and OTO PRO the ancillary products. The new OTO Motiv Ultimate, Fully Synthetic Motor Oil from WOQOD, has been formulated using the latest Shell technology and Qatari GTL base oil, to create a world class lubricant.

OTO Motiv Ultimate offers maximum efficiency and improves the time between oil changes, which protects engines and saves money.

### 13. QATARENERGY AND SHELL TO EXPAND LNG MARINE FUEL AVAILABILITY

Sep 18, 2019

QatarEnergy's Wave LNG Solutions (QP) and Shell Gas & Power Developments B.V. (Shell) today agreed a partnership aimed at accelerating the development of LNG fuelling infrastructure around the world.



His Excellency Mr. Saad Sherida Al-Kaabi, the Minister of State for Energy Affairs, the President & CEO of QatarEnergy and Ben van Beurden, Royal Dutch Shell's Chief Executive Officer during the signing ceremony in Doha.

**Doha, Qatar:** The joint venture between the two companies will invest in LNG marine fuelling, bunkering vessels and other infrastructure in key locations to meet the needs of marine customers and help to reduce emissions of the global shipping industry. These locations will leverage existing QatarEnergy and Shell supply positions and complement current Shell marine LNG bunkering locations in Europe, Asia and North America.

"The shipping industry is starting to make the very necessary strides to reduce emissions from vessels. LNG is already playing an important role as the cleanest, and an affordable, alternative to traditional marine fuels available today, which is why we are continuing to invest with confidence in our own chartered LNG fleet," said Ben van Beurden, Royal Dutch Shell's Chief Executive Officer.

"As two of the world's leading LNG suppliers, we look forward to building on our strong long-term partnership, expanding the LNG marine fuel network and creating a safe supply chain." LNG is imported and exported at more than 150 locations worldwide and demand for gas as a shipping fuel could reach 35 million tonnes of LNG a year by 2035.

Shell currently supplies LNG to the world's first LNG-powered cruise ship – owned by Carnival Corporation plc – and the world's first LNG-powered Aframax oil tanker, the Sovcomflot vessel Gagarin Prospect. Shell also recently announced an agreement to charter a fleet of new LNG-fuelled crude oil and products tankers, as part of its drive to decarbonise shipping.

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#### **Notes to Editors:**

- Gas is one of the few energy sources that can meet growing demand while reducing emissions from industry, the built environment and transport, when replacing coal or liquid fuels. It will continue to play a critical role in sectors where demand is anticipated to grow, such as the long-distance transportation of people and goods.
- Today's announcement follows a framework agreement Shell and Wave LNG Solutions signed in 2017 and two memoranda of understanding Shell and Qatargas signed with industry partners in 2016 to explore LNG bunkering opportunities in the Middle East.
- The International Maritime Organization has set an ambition to reduce total annual greenhouse gas emissions from shipping by at least 50% by 2050, compared to 2008.
- Compared to some marine fuels, LNG can cut greenhouse gas emissions from ships by up to 21%, according to a "well-to-wake" emissions study by consultants Thinkstep.
- Shell has a Net Carbon Footprint ambition, covering emissions from its own operations and those of its customers when using energy products sold by Shell. Shell aims to cut the Net Carbon Footprint of its energy products by around half by 2050, on a grams of carbon dioxide equivalent per megajoule consumed basis. As an interim step, by 2035, Shell aims to reduce this by around 20%, in step with society's drive to meet the goals of the Paris Agreement on climate change.

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(h) risks associated with the identification of suitable potential acquisition properties and targets, and successful negotiation and completion of such transactions; (i) the risk of doing business in developing countries and countries subject to international sanctions; (j) legislative, fiscal and regulatory developments including regulatory measures addressing climate change; (k) economic and financial market conditions in various countries and regions; (I) political risks, including the risks of expropriation and renegotiation of the terms of contracts with governmental entities, delays or advancements in the approval of projects and delays in the reimbursement for shared costs: and (m) changes in trading conditions. No assurance is provided that future dividend payments will match or exceed previous dividend payments. All forward-looking statements contained in this Press Release are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements contained or referred to in this section. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Additional risk factors that may affect future results are contained in Royal Dutch Shell's Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2018 (available at www.shell.com/investor and www.sec.gov). These risk factors also expressly qualify all forward-looking statements contained in this Press Release and should be considered by the reader. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of this Press Release, 18 September 2019. Neither Royal Dutch Shell plc nor any of its subsidiaries undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or other information. In light of these risks, results could differ materially from those stated, implied or inferred from the forward-looking statements contained in this Press Release.

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# 14. PROJECT PROFESSIONALS RECEIVE APM QUALIFICATIONS AT TAFAWOQ APPRECIATION CEREMONY

Oct 01, 2019

A total of 115 project professionals from various major companies in Qatar received today their Association of Project Management qualification and Risk Level 2 qualification at a formal ceremony held at The Diplomatic Club.

**Doha, Qatar:** The project professionals were from a wide range of companies and organizations including QatarEnergy (QE), Qatar Shell, Qatargas, Qatar Airways and Gasal Q.S.C. The event marked their successful completion of the TAFAWOQ *Essentials of Project Management* and *Managing Opportunity Project Risk* courses, which were delivered over the last ten months.

As part of the ceremony, the project professionals were addressed by Mr. Mohamed Salem Al Marri, Executive Vice President, Projects, Engineering and Procurement Services at QE, Mr. Andrew Faulkner, Managing Director and Chairman of Qatar Shell Companies, and Mr. Bader Al Jaidah, Director of TAFAWOQ.

On this occasion Mr. Al Marri said, "Equipping our people with world-class skill-sets is at the top of our priorities. We must always maintain the highest professional standards across industries as we build and grow, which is a significant challenge due to the fast-paced environment under which we operate. Investing in our people, our most important asset, is essential for the continued development of our organisation and, ultimately, for the State of Qatar to realise the Qatar National Vision 2030."

Mr. Faulkner stressed the importance of capacity building and knowledge transfer; 'Human development is one of the pillars of the Qatar National Vision 2030, which Qatar Shell seeks to support. This is why we have launched several social investment initiatives, such as TAFAWOQ, and engaged in local partnerships to generate real and measurable impact through sharing knowledge and best practices,' he said.





The participating professionals benefited from the world-class expertise and experience of the course trainers, who were drawn from some of the most highly-regarded project management institutes around the world, including Cranfield School of Management in the UK, Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands, Queensland University of Technology in Australia, and the University of Texas in the USA.

The qualification was awarded by the Association of Project Management (APM), the globally-recognised chartered body for the project profession. The TAFAWOQ programme itself has recently been reaccredited by the APM until 2022.

Nathaniel Morsoli, APM Facilitator, said, "This APM-accredited programme offers participants the opportunity to meet and share their experiences with some of the industry's top experts, whose valuable feedback will help the participants become better project management professionals."

The TAFAWOQ courses consisted of eight weeks of modular, remote learning, followed by one week of intensive teaching at the Qatar Shell Research and Technology Centre at the Qatar Science & Technology Park. Students then prepared and sat for two days of exams.

The course participants will be able to apply what they have learned immediately in their professional lives, as the syllabus focuses principally on real-world skills and the practical application of project management theory.

#### **About TAFAWOQ**

TAFAWOQ is an elite project management centre of excellence that develops the competencies of project managers to deliver large capital investment projects in Qatar. The programme is a partnership between Qatar Shell, QatarEnergy and Hamad Bin Khalifa University and provides world-class training through virtual and in-class learning. It nurtures the development of a strong community of local project professionals, benefiting both individuals and organisations.

Since 2012, TAFAWOQ has graduated nearly 1,000 professional learners. Participants come from leading organisations in Qatar, including QatarEnergy, Qatar Gas, Qatar Airways and more.

TAFAWOQ supports the Qatar National Vision 2030 by strengthening the nation's human capital – Qatar's stock of knowledge, capabilities, and expertise - through project management competency development. In 2014 TAFAWOQ was honoured to win best "Corporate Social Responsibility initiative" in Qatar's energy sector at the inaugural Al Sharq CSR Awards Ceremony.

The programme was reaccredited with the Association of Project Managers (APM) – now valid until 2022. The APM is the largest professional body in Europe with 500 corporate and 18,500 individual members. The curriculum is carefully aligned with the APM to enable our learners to excel and obtain world-class qualifications and certificates.

### 15. TAFAWOQ DELIVERS HIGH-LEVEL SAFETY WORKSHOP FOR ASHGHAL ENGINEERS

Oct 09, 2019

Qatar's elite project management centre of excellence, TAFAWOQ, has partnered to deliver a three-day HSSE Leadership workshop for engineers who have recently joined Qatar's Public Works Authority, Ashghal.

**Doha, Qatar :** Qatar's elite project management centre of excellence, the TAFAWOQ programme, has once again partnered to deliver a high-level safety workshop for engineers who have recently joined Qatar's Public Works Authority, Ashghal.

The three-day workshop, titled 'HSSE Leadership,' took place recently, bringing together 25 engineers to discuss best practices in the field of safety.

The workshop emphasised the importance of embracing a safety culture, and touched on the roles and responsibilities of engineers in this regard. Others topics on the workshop's agenda included the impact of internal and external factors on safety performance, and the use of safety tools and observation systems.

His Excellency Dr. Eng. Saad bin Ahmad Al Muhannadi, President of the Public Works Authority, Ashghal, noted that the workshop's objectives fall in line with his institution's commitment to the development of Qatar.

"Promoting a culture of safety and employee welfare will bolster productivity, which will ultimately fast track the development of major infrastructure projects in Qatar in line with our national vision," Al Mohannadi said.





The workshop comes at an important time for Ashghal, the highest authority in charge of managing Qatar's major infrastructure projects, as the country undertakes key developments in preparation for the 2022 FIFA World Cup Qatar<sup>TM</sup>.

'We are extremely honoured to partner with Ashghal, for the first time, to deliver this workshop. The act of collaboration facilitates both the transfer of knowledge and expertise. I am confident that the workshop will further strengthen Ashghal engineers ability to deliver their portfolio of major projects while maintaining a leading health and safety record by understanding and managing the risks inherent in the business.'

'Without doubt, these workshops have a positive impact on Qatar's human capital and significantly contribute to the achievement of the human development pillar of Qatar National Vision 2030 – and this is something we truly believe in at TAFAWOQ and Qatar Shell', he added.

Delivered by leading consultancy firm, JMJ Associates Middle East, the workshop also introduced participants to behaviour-based safety and the benefits of adopting an integral safety model. Sabu Joseph, managing consultant at JMJ Associates, and Sandy Schreiber, a senior consultant, led the workshop in the presence of Alan Palmer, a partner at the firm.

JMJ has supported Qatar Shell's Pearl GTL, the world's largest plant to turn natural gas into cleaner-burning fuels, in developing an incident and injury-free safety culture, while overseeing the creation of a high-performance project team during the construction phase of the project.

TAFAWOQ, which is the Arabic for 'excellence', is a partnership initiative between Qatar Shell, QatarEnergy (QE) and Hamad Bin Khalifa University (HBKU). In addition to providing project management training courses, TAFAWOQ also hosts custom-tailored workshops to address specific organisational needs.

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#### **About TAFAWOQ**

TAFAWOQ is an elite project management centre of excellence that develops the competencies of project managers to deliver large capital investment projects in Qatar. The programme is a partnership between Qatar Shell, QatarEnergy and Hamad Bin Khalifa University and provides world-class training through virtual and in-class learning. It nurtures the development of a strong community of local project professionals, benefiting both individuals and organisations.

Since 2012, TAFAWOQ has graduated nearly 1,000 professional learners. Participants come from leading organisations in Qatar, including QatarEnergy, Qatar Gas, Qatar Airways and more.

TAFAWOQ supports the Qatar National Vision 2030 by strengthening the nation's human capital – Qatar's stock of knowledge, capabilities, and expertise - through project management competency development. In 2014 TAFAWOQ was honoured to win best "Corporate Social Responsibility initiative" in Qatar's energy sector at the inaugural Al Sharq CSR Awards Ceremony.

The programme was reaccredited with the Association of Project Managers (APM) – now valid until 2022. The APM is the largest professional body in Europe with 500 corporate and 18,500 individual members. The curriculum is carefully aligned with the APM to enable our learners to excel and obtain world-class qualifications and certificates.