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# 2nd Middle East Insurance Industry Awards 2015

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Awards Judging: 7 October 2015 | Awards dinner: 17 November 2015

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## Middle East Insurance Industry Awards back for a second run

1 April 2015 – Following the resounding success of the first Middle East Insurance Industry Awards (MIIA) in 2014, Middle East Insurance Review (MEIR) is once again organising the Awards this year to recognise and salute excellence in the industry.

The MIIA, modelled after the internationally acclaimed Asia Insurance Industry Awards, now into its 19th year, is fully transparent with defined criteria for 16 categories. The integrity of the MIIA system is underpinned by a panel of 27 distinguished judges drawn from local, regional and international insurance leaders. Scores will be tabulated and audited by independent auditors EY. The Awards this year is co-branded with the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) and the General Arab Insurance Federation (GAIF).

"The first MIIA was so well received by the market. The feedback we received was astounding and encouraging. To see excellence in the insurance industry being saluted was indeed inspiring," said Mr Sivam Subramaniam, Editor-in-Chief of MEIR.

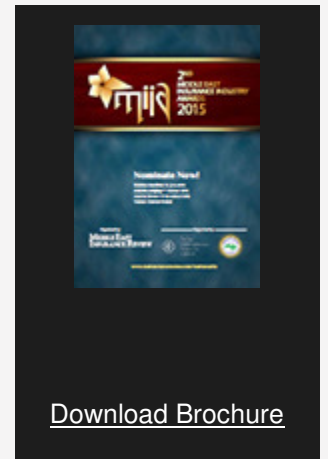
He added: "The Middle East is going places and there are many people doing many things that deserve recognition, several of which could even be world firsts. Our aim is to serve the market as a standard setter and actively contribute to the insurance industry's march towards greater professionalism and higher standards. So do reflect on the best thing you have done last year and send in your nominations."

Individuals or companies have up till 15 June 2015 to nominate themselves or third parties for any of the awards. Judging day will be on 7 October, with the results kept secret until the Gala Dinner on 17 November 2015, to be held in Dubai in conjunction with the MENA Rendezvous.

### The awards categories are:

**Life Insurance Company of the Year**  
**General Insurance Company of the Year**  
**Health Insurance Company of the Year**  
**Family Takaful Company of the Year**  
**General Takaful Company of the Year**  
**Educational and Training Initiative of the Year**

**Corporate Risk Manager of the Year**  
**TPA of the Year**  
**Law Firm of the Year**  
**Broker of the Year**  
**Reinsurance Broker of the Year**  
**Retakaful Company of the Year**



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**Innovation of the Year  
Service Provider of the Year**

**Reinsurance Company of the Year  
Lifetime Achievement Award**

### The Judging Panel comprises:

**Abdul Khaliq R Khalil**, Secretary General, General Arab Insurance Federation (GAIF)

**Fareed Lutfi**, Secretary General, Emirates Insurance Association

**Hamam M Badr**, Secretary General, Federation of Afro-Asian Insurers & Reinsurers (FAIR)

**Walid Genadry**, Head of the Insurance Control Commission, Ministry of Economy and Trade, Lebanon

**Younis Al Sayed**, Chairman, Bahrain Insurance Association

**Akshay Randeve**, Director, Strategic Initiatives & Development, Qatar Financial Centre Authority

**Christian Vogel**, Chief Executive Officer, Gulf Reinsurance Limited

**Dr Mohamed Maait**, Deputy Chairman, Egyptian Financial Supervisory Authority

**Mahomed Akoob**, Managing Director, Hannover ReTakaful

**Mohamed El Dishish**, Chief Executive Officer, Emirates Retakaful Ltd

**Fateh Bekdache**, General Manager, AROPE Insurance

**Mark Cooper**, General Representative/ Country Manager, Dubai, Lloyd's

**Fahad Al Hesni**, Chief Executive Officer, Saudi Reinsurance Company

**Dr Michael Bitzer**, Chief Executive Officer, National Health Insurance Company – Daman

**Omer Hassan Elamin**, President, Orient Group

**Ronald Chidiac**, General Manager, Arab Reinsurance Company S.A.L.

**Dr Bassel Hindawi**, former Insurance Commissioner, Insurance Commission of Jordan

**Robin Kevin Ali**, Consultant, Health Funding Department, Dubai Health Authority

**Steve Dixon**, Regional Managing Director, ACE Group MENA Regional Office

**Yassir Albaharna**, Chief Executive Officer, Arab Insurance Group

### International Judges:

**Geoff Riddell**, former Regional Chairman, Asia-Pacific, Middle East & Africa, Zurich Insurance Group

**Dr Kai-Uwe Schanz**, Special Advisor, The Geneva Association

**Michael J Morrissey**, President & Chief Executive Officer, International Insurance Society

**Patrick Liedtke**, Managing Director & Head of Financial Institutions Group – EMEA, BlackRock

**Dr Peter F Hugger**, Chief Executive Officer, Echo Reinsurance Limited

**Dr Roger Sellek**, Chief Executive Officer, A.M.Best – EMEA & Asia Pacific

**Susan Dingwall**, Partner (Insurance/ Reinsurance Dispute Resolution), Norton Rose Fulbright LLP

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Established in 2006, Middle East Insurance Review (MEIR) has become an integral part of the marketplace as a highly professional magazine meeting the information needs of insurance practitioners, not only those in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), but those interested in doing business in the region.

MEIR is the magazine of choice for both conventional insurance as well as takaful players in these markets, as the only publication with a dedicated section on the global takaful industry. Due to its reputation and extensive reach, MEIR is the official publication for major industry events such as the GAIF and FAIR Conferences. In addition, MEIR has made its mark through technical conferences adding value to the industry.

MEIR also manages the secretariat services of the prestigious and exclusive MENA Insurance CEO Club (MICC). Together with its sister publication, Asia Insurance Review, MEIR has nearly 30 years of experience in covering the insurance industry.