



BDI

CELEBRATING
15 years
OF EXCELLENCE

GCC Board Directors Institute

15th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

21 November 2022

7pm - 10pm

**Movenpick Hotel,
Riyadh, KSA**

ABOUT GCC BOARD DIRECTORS INSTITUTE

GCC BDI is supported by eight leading regional corporations and professional services firms who serve as our strategic partners: First Abu Dhabi Bank; National Bank of Bahrain; SABIC; Saudi Aramco; Allen & Overy; Heidrick & Struggles; McKinsey & Company; and PwC.

GCC BDI has grown to become the leading organisation in the region for board directors. We have delivered over 400 programmes and forums to top-tier companies in the Gulf and now comprise over 2700 members, each with extensive knowledge and experience of operating at the most senior levels of business in the GCC.

Today we are globally recognised and the only director institute from the Gulf region to be admitted to the Global Network of Director Institutes (GNDI).

GCC BDI was originally founded in 2007 by: Saudi Aramco; SABIC; Emirates NBD; Investcorp; McKinsey & Company; Allen & Overy; Heidrick & Struggles; and PwC.

Our Vision

To be the pre-eminent institute for boards and directors in the GCC, promoting the highest professional standards of corporate governance and professional directorship.

Our Mission

To strengthen corporate governance in the GCC region through capability building, advocacy and promotion of sound governance practices.



GCC BDI Strategic Partners



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Sultanate of Oman



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JOURNEY OF EXCELLENCE: 15 YEARS OF GCC BDI



This year we are celebrating GCC BDI's 15th anniversary which is a tremendous milestone and achievement for all those involved since the idea was first germinated in 2006 and finally took shape in 2007.

Back in 2007, the notions of good corporate governance in the Gulf were nascent. Today, good governance is one of the top priorities of board chairs and executive management as they realise it is critical to the sustainability and investment attractiveness of their companies. As a result, the role of GCC boards has shifted considerably over the past 15 years from largely collegial bodies aimed at approving company strategy to a key governance organ meant to challenge and inspire strategy, address risk management and deal with succession planning.

In the last 15 years we have increased the

number of workshops and seminars covering vital board leadership education, including in the areas of corporate governance, board evaluation, board diversity and corporate leadership. In 2018 we launched our Certified Board Secretary programme, focusing on the important governance role of the board secretary. In 2019 we launched director certification starting with The World of Directorship – Certificate in Board Directorship; then in 2020, this was followed by the Diploma in Board Directorship and last year we introduced the Chartered Director programme, our flagship qualification and the international gold standard for professional director development.

In a wider recognition of success, GCC BDI has been named as one of MEA Market's winners, receiving the Leading Experts in Board Director Development 2022 - GCC award.

We are proud to say that in the last fifteen years, GCC BDI has achieved a rich track record with a unique combination of local experience and understanding, strong corporate governance knowledge, practical director expertise and tried and tested programmes.

To all our GCC BDI members, clients, partners and stakeholders – and to my fellow Governors and all our staff – I thank you for your continued commitment to GCC BDI.

Mohammad Al Shroogi, Chairman, GCC BDI

15TH ANNIVERSARY MESSAGES FROM OUR TWO FORMER CHAIRMEN



GCC BDI is at a great juncture as the region's regulatory environment is ripe, with our 15+ years of experience we can grow and offer unique value propositions to all stakeholders in the GCC (regulators, corporations, individuals, academic institutions as well as research). I see GCC BDI growing and it will definitely be the place to go to for advice on board and board effectiveness with particular insights for the GCC. We have a noble purpose, we are not-for-profit, we make an impact and we have unlimited support from leading and caring corporations. We have a great future and great opportunities to make a difference.

I am very proud of the achievements GCC BDI have made, this was only made possible by the hard and professional work of the GCC BDI team and the invaluable support we got from our founding and strategic partners both local and international. My thanks and appreciation to all.

GCC BDI's First GCC BDI Chairman,
H.E. Eng Abdullatif Al-Othman



My involvement with GCC BDI dates back to late 2006, when the idea of creating a regional body dedicated to promoting good corporate governance and effective directorship, was being discussed by the founding partners of GCC BDI. One of the leading advocates, H.E. Eng. Abdullatif Alotman, was the CFO of Saudi Aramco at the time, and my direct supervisor. We used to exchange views on how to best go about the registration process, what should be the main mission, and who should be the main targeted customers.

Thus, in the next 15 years, I hope this institute dear to all of us will at least triple its membership size and become even more sought after by corporations seeking to enhance their own sustainability and profitability through best practices in corporate governance and effective directorship.

GCC BDI's Second GCC BDI Chairman,
Mohammad Al-Ali

AGENDA

7:00pm Networking & Refreshments

**7:30pm Guests to be seated
Opening & Introductory Remarks by**



Hiba Alzamil,
Business Development Director,
GCC Board Directors Institute

7.35pm Welcome address by



Jane Valls,
Executive Director,
GCC Board Directors Institute

7.40pm Welcome address by



Mutlaq H. Al-Morished,
GCC BDI Governor &
CEO of Tasnee

7.50pm First course to be served

8:05pm Keynote speech by



Kito de Boer,
Senior Strategic Advisor to Majid al Futtaim
Senior Advisor to McKinsey & Co.
Founder, Amersham Advisors

8:20pm Dinner & Entertainment

**9:00pm Thank you to our Corporate Affiliates, Strategic Partners
& Partners**

9:30pm Networking

10:00pm Event Ends

BIOGRAPHIES



Mutlaq H. Al-Morished
CEO of Tasnee &
GCC BDI Governor

Mutlaq H. Al-Morished is the Chief Executive Officer, CEO of TASNEE, one of the largest Saudi diversified industrial companies having investments in several fields.

Prior to his present post, he was Executive Vice President of Corporate Finance, (CFO) at SABIC, Vice President of Metals SBU, EVP Shared Services, President of SADAF and HADEED, consecutively. He was also Chairman of the Board of YANSAB, SABIC Capital in Netherland, SAUDI KAYAN, SABIC Captive Insurance Limited in UK and Alinma Investment Co. He was board member of General Organization of Saudi Arabian airlines, Gulf Bank in Bahrain, Alinma Tokio Marine (ATMC) & the Advisory Board for Economic Affairs of the Supreme Economic Council of Saudi Arabia.

In addition, Mutlaq is board member of Alinma Bank, Aluminum Bahrain (ALBA), Gulf Petrochemical & Chemical Association (GPCA), GCC Board Directors Institute, CITI Group in Saudi Arabia, Saudi General Authority for Military Industries, TRONOX (NYC) and A. M. Bin Saedan Real Estate Co. Chairman of the board of National Metal Manufacturing & Casting Co. (Maadaniyah).

Mutlaq holds an MBA degree from Stanford University, a Master of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering from Princeton University, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nuclear Physics & Mathematics from the University of Denver.

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Kito de Boer

Senior Strategic Advisor to Majid al Futtaim.
Senior Advisor to McKinsey & Co.
Founder, Amersham Advisors

Kito has 40 years of experience, living and working in the Netherlands, US, UK, Singapore, India, Dubai and Jerusalem. He built his career as a Strategic Advisor to the Private Sector and Government. Kito worked with McKinsey for nearly 30 years, where he founded the India, Middle East and Government practices. He lived in Dubai for most of the past 20 years.

Kito also held a diplomatic role for 3 years as the Head of Mission of the Office of the Quartet and Managing Director of the Initiative for the Palestinian Economy.

Kito received an MBA from Cranfield University and an MSc in Management Sciences (as well as an honorary doctorate) from Loughborough University of Science and Technology. Kito serves on the Board of the Lewa Trust in Kenya which is dedicated to wildlife conservation.

Kito is also on the Board of Mercy Corps an NGO focused on helping the most vulnerable populations such as refugees. Kito is an Angel Investor and Advisor to 5 start-ups.

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Jane Valls
Executive Director
GCC Board Directors Institute

Jane Valls joined the GCC Board Directors Institute (GCC BDI), based in Dubai, in January 2016 as Executive Director.

She is also the Deputy Chair of the Global Network of Director Institutes.

Jane has over 20 years of international experience in corporate governance and working with board of directors. She is an accredited corporate governance trainer with the International Finance Corporation (IFC), part of the World Bank Group, and is an accredited trainer with the Ethics Institute, as well as being a Certified Ethics Officer.

From 2010 to 2015, Jane was the CEO of the Mauritius Institute of Directors (MIOD), one of the leading Institutes in Africa. She was the first Chairperson of the African Corporate Governance Network from 2013-2015, a network which she helped to found, bringing together 17 Institutes of Directors from across the African continent.

Before joining the MIOD, Jane held senior positions and directorships in a wide range of business sectors with leading companies including British Airways, Air Mauritius, Sun International and The Rogers Group, amongst others, as well as running her own management and training consultancy.

Jane holds a BA Hons in French and Italian from Birmingham University, UK. She was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree by the University of Middlesex for services to business, women's empowerment and social justice and she was decorated by the Republic of Mauritius as a Commander of the Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (CSK) for services to corporate governance.

GCC BDI MILESTONES

GCC BDI was established by Emirates NBD, Investcorp, SABIC & Saudi Aramco

1st Chairman Summit held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

GCC BDI delivered the 25th edition of Foundations of Directorship

2007

Board evaluation service launched and 1st bi-annual survey and report on board effectiveness in the Gulf is published

2009

Oct 2013

GCC BDI participated in GPCA Forum

2015

GCC BDI rebranding

Oct 2016

May 2017

Won the first award (CFI announced GCC BDI as a winner of the Outstanding Contribution to Corporate Governance Award)

Mar 2018

Launched Certified Board Secretary Programme

Sep 2018

2008

First Foundations of Directorship workshop hosted by Saudi Aramco at Ras Tanura

Mar 2010

Corporate Governance Forum held in Riyadh

Nov 2014

New workshop Mastering the Boardroom launched

Sep 2016

New Breakfast Forum series introduced

Oct 2016

SCAE & GCC BDI signed an MoU to strengthen corporate governance in listed companies in the UAE

Feb 2018

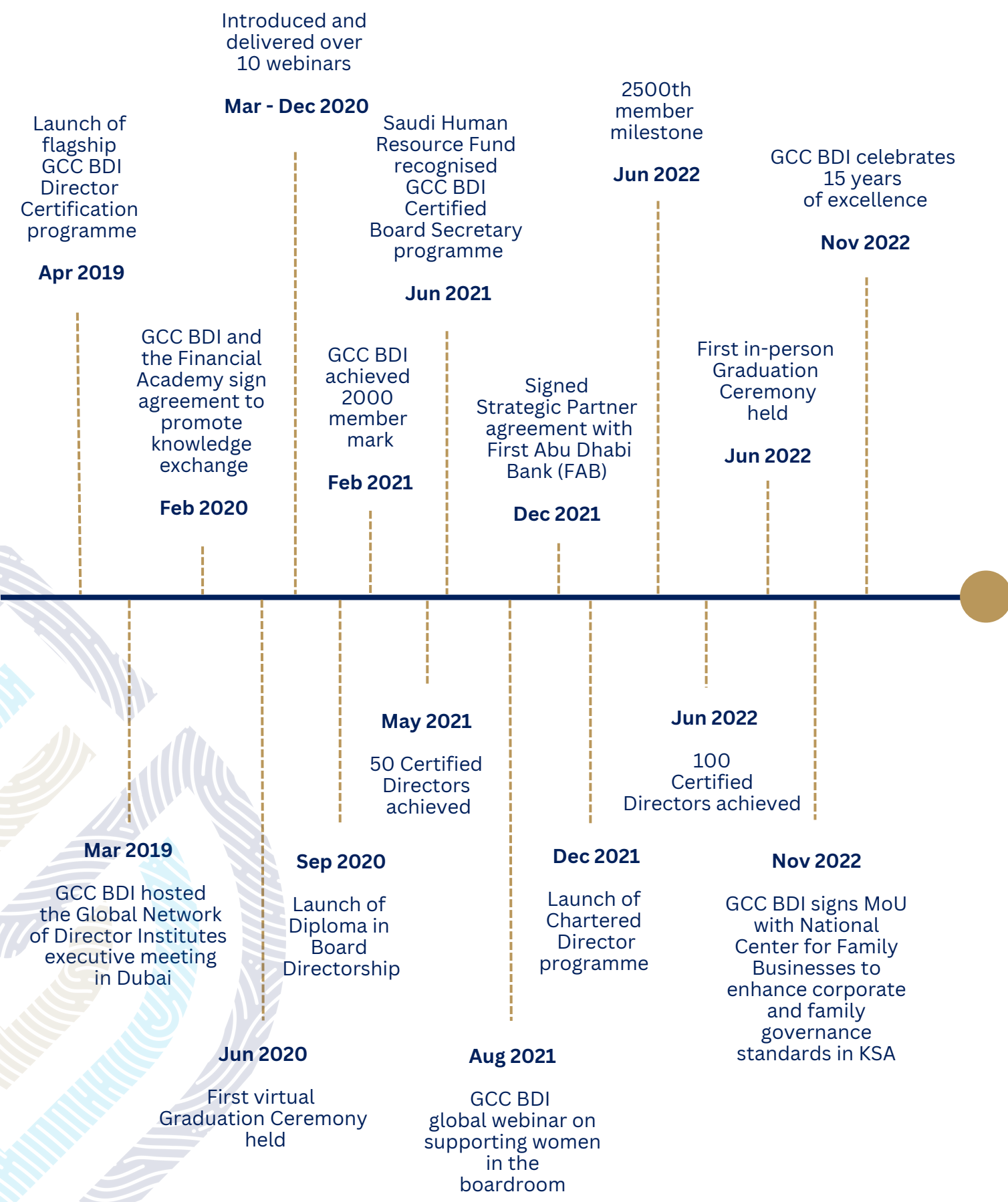
GCC BDI achieved 1000th member milestone

Sep 2018

GCC BDI and the Institute of Finance signed MOU

Sep 2018

Saudi Arabia's Alfaisal University signs MoU with GCC BDI



Launch of
flagship
GCC BDI
Director
Certification
programme
Apr 2019

Introduced and
delivered over
10 webinars
Mar - Dec 2020

GCC BDI and
the Financial
Academy sign
agreement to
promote
knowledge
exchange
Feb 2020

GCC BDI
achieved
2000
member
mark
Feb 2021

Saudi Human
Resource Fund
recognised
GCC BDI
Certified
Board Secretary
programme
Jun 2021

Signed
Strategic Partner
agreement with
First Abu Dhabi
Bank (FAB)
Dec 2021

2500th
member
milestone
Jun 2022

First in-person
Graduation
Ceremony
held
Jun 2022

GCC BDI celebrates
15 years
of excellence
Nov 2022

Mar 2019
GCC BDI hosted
the Global Network
of Director Institutes
executive meeting
in Dubai

Jun 2020
First virtual
Graduation Ceremony
held

Sep 2020
Launch of
Diploma in
Board
Directorship

May 2021
50 Certified
Directors
achieved

Aug 2021
GCC BDI
global webinar on
supporting women
in the
boardroom

Dec 2021
Launch of
Chartered
Director
programme

Jun 2022
100
Certified
Directors achieved

Nov 2022
GCC BDI signs MoU
with National
Center for Family
Businesses to
enhance corporate
and family
governance
standards in KSA

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Corporate Affiliates: Elm, Saudi Telecom Company, The Saudi Investment Bank, Sipchem, Vision Invest, Tasnee