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PwC Saudi Arabia welcomes 70 new graduates

PwC Middle East welcomed around 300 new graduates to its offices across the region in its annual summer intake, a 7% increase from the 2016 intake

Riyadh, 27 September 2017 - PwC Saudi Arabia welcomed 70 new Saudi national graduates to its offices in the Kingdom last week. The new graduates are a part of larger pool of 300 new graduates who joined PwC across its 12 offices in the Middle East region.

The Saudi national graduates come from top universities in the Kingdom and internationally and are equipped with diverse academic backgrounds including accounting, banking and finance.

Commenting on the recent graduate intake, **PwC Middle East People Partner, Emma Campbell said:**

“As part of our continuous commitment to investing in local talent, 96% of the new graduates are Saudi nationals, 35% of which are females with a diverse range of skills. PwC Middle East provides a compelling opportunity for students to join a structured programme fresh out of university that will help them set firm foundations for their careers.”

The new graduates underwent a week-long induction with the firm’s leadership and have started a three year development programme within the firm (two years for the Assurance practice); offering an opportunity of a lifetime for all new graduates to grow as individuals, build lasting relationships and make a difference through their work with PwC’s valued clients in the Kingdom.

Riyadh Al Najjar, PwC Saudi Arabia and Country Leader, said:

“Our firm’s growth strategy and recruitment approach is built on hiring talented graduates from around the world. Recruiting Saudi national graduates from diverse backgrounds confirms PwC’s presence and commitment to the Kingdom as an influential partner in the success of the Kingdom’s National Transformation Programme and Vision 2030.”

He added: “We, at PwC, have been at the heart of this transformation and we remain committed to supporting one of the Kingdom’s main ambitions; developing its local talent.”



Certain graduates joining PwC will take part in “The Foundation of the Future” programme - a two year structured programme that gives the graduates a chance to gain experience and work with a range of competencies and industries in Consulting.

The FftF programme has been successfully running in the UK for approximately eight years and was launched in the Middle East in 2016. PwC has 17 consultants based in Riyadh from the 2016 intake (38 in total across the Middle East) and have welcomed an additional 29 to the Kingdom this year (67 in total across the Middle East); all of which are Saudi nationals.

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