

# IFR MIDDLE EAST AWARDS

IFR's inaugural Middle East Awards dinner took place at the Ritz-Carlton DIFC in Dubai on March 31, extending our global awards platform to a new capital markets region. Having started IFR's Awards in 1980 in London, the franchise expanded to Hong Kong in the late 1990s, capturing the build-out in Asian capital markets, and then to New York in 2010 for the US, Canadian and Latin American markets.

Increasingly deep and vibrant capital markets in the Middle East allowed a wide array of issuers to tap both conventional and Islamic segments last year. The year was marked by bold structural innovation from some savvy borrowers as well as the emergence of debut borrowers and new products.

Editor-at-Large Keith Mullin hosted the event attended by senior bankers, their issuing clients and market professionals and awarded IFR's Middle East Investment Bank of the Year trophy to Mohammad Al Tuwaijri, CEO of HSBC for the Middle East and North Africa and deputy chairman of HSBC Bank Middle East.

Mohammad Kamran Wajid, CEO of Emirates NBD Capital, collected the Regional Investment Bank award.









*Ayham Mohammed Al Youssef, CEO of Albilad Capital on behalf of Sadara*



*Daniele Vecchi, head of treasury, Majid Al Futtaim*



*Nirmal Govinda Das, senior vice president, corporate treasury, Emirates*



*Mohammad Kamran Wajid, CEO of Emirates NBD Capital*



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