



# GULF BANK FIRST IN REGION TO USE BIOMETRICS FOR DIGITAL BANKING

**KUWAIT:** Daon and Gulf Bank announced yesterday their partnership in providing biometric authentication within the Bank's new mobile banking application. Daon's IdentityX(r) Platform enables Gulf Bank's customers to seamlessly authenticate using their face and fingerprint to quickly and easily assert their identity online across multiple channels.

Cesar Gonzalez-Bueno, Gulf Bank's Chief Executive Officer said, "Digital banking is important to our customers and we wanted to make it convenient and simple for them to conduct their banking transactions with our new mobile banking app. By working with Daon, we were able to leverage cutting-edge technology with global best practices to provide our customers with an enhanced mobile banking experience. Our customers can now login with biometrics using their fingerprint touch id and 'Blinking to Bank' facial recognition, from anywhere in the world, and perform a wide array of banking transactions efficiently and securely."

Daon's IdentityX Platform provides fingerprint, face and voice recognition, along with other authentication factors, which will provide convenient, fast, secure authentication for Gulf Bank's customers. IdentityX was designed with an eye toward the future, allowing Daon customers to easily add new biometrics as they become commercially available. This innovative



## GULF BANK ANNOUNCES MONTHLY DRAWS' WINNERS

**KUWAIT:** Gulf Bank has announced winners of both Monthly Salary Account and Red Account draws, which took place yesterday. The Salary and Red Account have a cash draw prize of KD 1,000 for each account.

Metieb Metni Taefeeq Metni was the lucky winner of the Salary Account draw and Esra Emad Jasem Al-Qattan won the Red Account draw prize for this month, each of the two winners received a cash draw prize of KD 1,000.

The new 2016 Kuwaiti Salary offer provides customers upon transferring their salary, a guaranteed cash gift of up to KD 200 or up to 60,000 Gulf Reward Points upon their first salary transfer or a Gulf Bank Signature Credit card free for life.

Furthermore the second quarterly car draw will take place on the 30th of June 2016, with the chance to win a new 2016

Cadillac. The new 2016 red(tm) account is designed for high school, college and university students aged 15 to 25 years old. Amongst the benefits is a monthly cash draw prizes up to KD 1,000 and in addition a quarterly car draw will be for one lucky winner who will have a chance to win a new 2016 Cadillac. All Red card holders can enjoy a movie ticket for KD 2 only at Cinemascope movie theatres (KNCC) cinemas seven days a week instead of the usual KD 3.5. Account holders receive an ATM card and there is no minimum deposit required to open the account or a minimum balance charge.

For further information about the Salary, Red accounts and prize draws, visit one of Gulf Bank's 56 branches, or call Gulf Bank's Customer Contact Center on 1805805. General information about Gulf Bank's products and services can also be found at the Bank's website.

## KFH LAUNCHES RAMADAN PROGRAM

**KUWAIT:** Kuwait Finance House (KFH) is launching a comprehensive Ramadan public relations program that aims to strengthen KFH's social role, while reiterating its Islamic identity and reinforcing ties with various segments of society.

Executive Manager Group Public Relations at Kuwait Finance House (KFH), Yousef Abdullah Al-Ruwaieh said that KFH's Ramadan program includes various social and human events and activities. KFH employees will be present at malls to meet the public directly and distribute Ramadan presents and confectionaries (Qerqean). KFH will organize a number of tours to health centers and hospitals to visit patients and distribute presents. He indicated that KFH will distribute breakfast meals and organize breakfast feasts in recognition of the efforts exerted by workers and those who are on duties during iftar time. With regards to voluntary activities, Ruwaieh explained that KFH will grant its employees the opportunity to provide voluntary services to the public and will assist civil defense and security men and distribute food and beverages to worshippers. As part of its social and human role, KFH is keen on reinforcing the human values among society individuals, spread love and brotherhood and strengthen the traditions which Kuwait society has honored and cherished for generations during the holy month of Ramadan.

Furthermore, the Quran application KFH had launched on Android and App Store contributes in spreading Quran to all smart phone users worldwide. This reflects the bank's identity as the global leading Islamic financial institution.



Yousef Al-Ruwaieh

solution will be the first deployment in the Middle East and illustrates Gulf Bank's commitment to their customers.

Tom Grissen, Daon's Chief Executive Officer said, "We are seeing tremendous opportunity for banks to leverage the power of biometrics to improve their customer experience.

Convenient and secure authentication has become critical in today's digital economy and we are very happy supporting Gulf Bank on their

journey to a mobile first, customer first strategy. Their customers can now login on to the Gulf Bank mobile app in a few seconds, putting speed and ease of use first.

Our experience with banking customers like Gulf Bank allows us to help our valued customers understand the actual benefits from using biometrics and how to achieve successful large scale implementations quickly and efficiently."



NBK Ramadan Tent last year

## NBK REVEALS SOCIAL PROGRAM FOR RAMADAN

**KUWAIT:** National Bank of Kuwait (NBK) revealed its annual 'Doing Good Deeds' program during the holy month of Ramadan. For more than 20 years, the program comprises a series of activities and events aimed at encouraging community engagement and solidarity and charity in Kuwait.

NBK Ramadan Social Program includes hosting fast-breaking banquets that will be held near Souq Sharq. Fast-breaking meals will also be offered at Naif Palace for the first time this year. NBK team will be offering iftar banquets for fasters at various mosques and other locations throughout Kuwait. Manal Al-Mattar, NBK Public Relations Executive Manager said "NBK will ramp up its charitable activities, as a good corporate citizen of Kuwait. NBK hopes to



Manal Al-Mattar, NBK Public Relations Executive Manager

encourage a greater sense of community and charity during Ramadan and encourages its customers and staff to participate by 'doing good deeds' all month long.

"It is a well rooted tradition that has been carried out by NBK each year in its efforts to continuously have an active role in the Kuwait society. NBK believes in the power of doing good," added Mattar.

NBK staff volunteers have already finalized all necessary arrangements for Ramadan's tent to receive fasting people on the eve of the first day of Ramadan. NBK staff volunteers will manage and supervise the fast-breaking banquets. The NBK Ramadan Social Program will also include several visits by volunteers to NBK Children's Hospital and other social institutions.



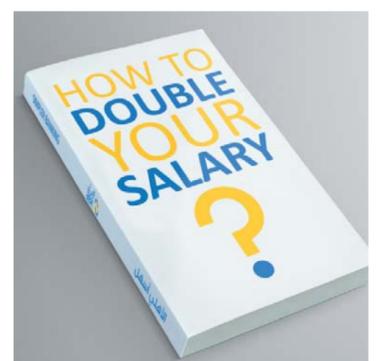
**KUWAIT:** The Commercial Bank of Kuwait (CBK) sponsored an activities organized by the New Mowasat Hospital at Marina Hotel to celebrate the International Nurses Day.

## ABK ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF FIFTH 'DOUBLE YOUR SALARY' WEEKLY DRAWS

**KUWAIT:** Al-Ahli Bank of Kuwait (ABK) held its fifth 'Double Your Salary' weekly draw on 31 May, 2016 at the Bank's Head Office in the presence of a representative from the Ministry of Commerce, announcing the names of the winners for this week. The new promotion includes weekly draws, with two winners per draw and will run from 1 May to 30 September, 2016.

**The winners this week were:**  
1) Mushtak Karim Ghare, Shuwaikh Branch.  
2) Hasni Sainudeen Kunju, Fahaheel Branch.  
New customers who transfer their salary to ABK will receive KD 100 and automatically be entered into the weekly draws to double their salaries. Existing customers who are already transferring their salary to ABK will be entered into a separate draw.

The Bank's next draw will be held on 7 June, 2016 where two new lucky winners will be announced subsequently. All winners will be contacted personally and a weekly announcement will be made through the media with the



winners' names. For more information on Al-Ahli Bank of Kuwait please visit [www.eahli.com](http://www.eahli.com) or contact an ABK a customer service agent via 'Ahlan Ahli' at 1899899.

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