

## **Deutsche Bank supports ICDL's training program for orphan children in Qatar**

***In partnership with Qatar Charity, 25 orphans will be taught basic computing skills***

**Qatar, February, 2015** - Deutsche Bank and ICDL Arabia, the governing body and certification authority for the ICDL certificate program in Egypt, GCC States and Iraq, have joined forces to provide 25 underprivileged and orphan children from Doha with the much needed and highly valuable digital skills. The young beneficiaries will undergo comprehensive training in Doha's Hi Tech Training Center and receive the ICDL certificate for Base Profile upon completion of the module. The candidates registered on December 28, 2014 and the 4-week training program will commence in February 2015.

ICDL's training program will teach the children the fundamentals of computing, such as explaining the components of a computer and the basics of operating system to enable them to interact in the technology-reliant world. The Base Profile consists of four modules – Computer Essentials, Online Essentials, Word Processing, and Spreadsheets. The learning sessions will be conducted in a fun, safe and nurturing environment to make the experience more appealing and memorable, with gifts to be distributed to the participants.

Deutsche Bank, who has been recognized for its various impactful Corporate Social Responsibility programs, will sponsor the training program for 25 boys and girls as ICDL Arabia's partner. The collaboration also reflects the bank's belief in the youth's digital literacy and the urgent need to empower to use technology to gain a respectful position in the society.

Salah Jaidah, Chief Country Officer for Deutsche Bank AG in Qatar, stated: "It is with great pleasure that we partner with ICDL and support their training program for the less fortunate children in the State of Qatar. The program will provide these special kids with the necessary skills of the modern technology and it will enlighten their pass towards their future. At Deutsche Bank we are committed to bring our unparalleled

global Corporate Responsibility engagement to the communities where we live and operate."

Qatar Charity, one of the foundations in Qatar concerned with humanitarian work for relief and social developments, both locally and internationally, will be providing the kids group to enrol in IDCL's training program.

Hind AL-Rayyashi, Program Specialist for orphan activities at the executive management of local development, Qatar Charity, said. "We would like to thank Deutsche Bank and ICDL Arabia for this excellent initiative for the orphans sponsored by Qatar Charity. We encourage community and international partnerships, where we seek to achieve the best for the orphans and their families in Qatar or abroad. We also seek to strengthen our ties with local, Arab and international bodies through programs, activities and several different services from different areas—aiming to build a generation that distinctly adheres to the customs and traditions of Islam and Arab culture, which in turn represents a significant step towards the achievement of the vision and mission of Qatar 2030."

"On Behalf of the children, we are grateful for Deutsche Bank's full support to this initiative and to our commitment making digital skills accessible to all youth regardless of their status in life. We aim to reinforce the digital proficiency, especially of young people because of our firm belief that safe proficient for computers are highly vital in today's information age. Both Qatar Charity and ICDL Arabia extend their gratitude to Deutsche Bank for their contribution. We are looking forward to establishing more collaboration with prestigious organizations such as Deutsche Bank for us to continuously attain our goals," concluded Jamil Ezzo, Director General, ICDL Arabia.

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