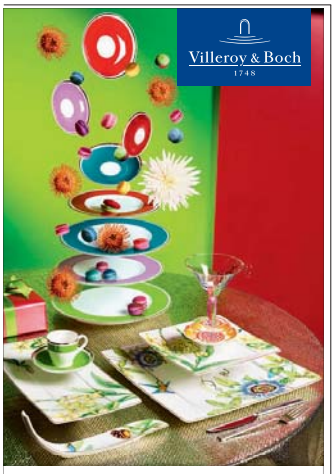
Masraf Al Rayan is silver sponsor

Masraf Al Rayan has announced its participation for the second consecutive year as the silver sponsor for second UITP Large Events Summit.

Adel Mustafawi, Group Executive Officer at Masraf Al Rayan, said: "We are pleased to participate in this very important event. The evolving partnership with such a vital company as Mowsalat is a clear manifestation of the bank's commitment towards its social responsibility in line with the Qatar Vision 2030.

Mustafawi said: "Development of an effective public transportation sector is a key pillar of any sustainable economic development process and the solutions that would come through this event. It will definitely add value to many innovations that would enable us establish an effective and efficient state of the art public transportation sector in the country."

Masraf Al Rayan, one of the leading banks in Qatar, has ranked high among the Islamic banks in Qatar and the region



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Prime Minister to open transport summit today

The UITP Mena Public Transport for Large Events Summit is set to begin today at the Qatar National Convention Centre.

The summit will focus on safety and security for transportation in large events.

The summit has come at a time when Qatar is investing heavily on developing an efficient public transport infrastructure through a rail metro of international standards and a world-class roads network.

The meeting spread over three days will feature such topics as the 'public transport infrastructure at large sport extravaganzas like FIFA World Cup held in Brazil earlier this year and 2012 London Olympics among others.

The sessions on taxis will cover regulation, technical specifications, new technologies and many operational issues.

Besides from the region's countries, speakers are expected from Europe, South America and Asia.

Mowasalat chief executive officer Khalid Nasser al-Hail yesterday said through the UITP summit, the country hopes to make use of the knowledge and expertise of experts with extensive experience in different areas of public transportation.

"It is an opportunity for the local stakeholders to learn from the experiences of densely populated cities in Asia like Shanghai, Seoul, Tokyo and Delhi how they addressed the transport requirements of the public during large sport extravaganzas that each of them hosted in the last one decade," said Nasser al-Khanji, executive director, Mowasalat.

Secretary General of UITP Alain Flausch (Belgium) will participate in a number of sessions.

The Prime Minister and Interior Minister HE Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa al-Thani will open the summit. The Transport Minister HE Jassem bin Saif Ahmed al-Sulati and Secretary General of Qatar Supreme Committee of Delivery and Legacy Hassan al-Thawadi will address the proceedings.

CITEC Geneva president Franco Tufo will deliver the keynote address.

Mowasalat, the organisers, said about 1,500 delegates from more than 30 countries are expected to participate in the summit.

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International Islamic 'strategic sponsor'

International Islamic will support the second summit of the International Association of Public Transport (UITP), the bank announced yesterday.

Abdulbasit A al-Shaibei, chief executive officer, International Islamic, said the bank's support of the event as a strategic sponsor was in line with its commitment to get actively involved in all nation-building activities.

"Transport is a huge industry. The development of any modern society hinges a lot on the growth of the transport sector. The rapid development in the United States has been driven mainly by its expressways and other highways," al-Shaibei pointed out.

Abdulbasit A al-Shaibei, second right, and Khalid Nasser al-Hail, second left, with Khalid Hassan Kafoud and Jamal al-Jamal announcing International Islamic bank's support of the second summit of the International Association of Public Transport (UITP).

He said International Islamic was proud to associate with Mowasalat, the host of the second summit of the International Association of Public Transport (UITP).

Al-Shaibei also said all forms of transport were crucial these days, be it through land, water or air.

He expressed delight at the expected participation of a huge number of delegates from some 92 countries in the UITP.

The theme of this year's conference will be: "management of major events from the transportation point of view and taxi business".

An exhibition will also be held on the sidelines of the conference at the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC).

The International Islamic's support of the event was announced at a joint press conference held yesterday and addressed by al-Shaibei and Mowasalat CEO Khalid Nasser al-Hail.

International Islamic deputy CEO Jamal al-Jamal and Mowasalat public relations and communication manager, Khalid Hassan Kafoud were also present.

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