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QATAR NATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE CONTINUES TO TARGET KNOWLEDGE-BASED CONFERENCES



DOHA, 22 November 2011 . The Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC) will tonight host a major awards dinner recognizing major achievements in the fields of biomedical, energy, computing, environmental, arts, social science, humanities and Islamic studies research.

The dinner is the culmination of the Qatar Foundation Annual Research Forum that attracted 1,500 delegates and speakers from around the world. The three-day forum brought together Nobel laureates, international policymakers, students, scientists, industry leaders, and top academic and research institutions to exchange knowledge and provide networking opportunities.

QNCC General Manager, Adam Mather-Brown said the venue was specifically targeting these types of conferences and exhibitions as Qatar realized its vision of moving from a carbon-based economy to one based on knowledge.

"The Annual Research Forum is exactly the type of event that will help the country fulfill its ambitions," he said.

The QNCC is strategically located within Qatar Foundation's Education City, an enclave of eight international universities including the Qatar Science and Technology Park and soon-to-be-completed Sidra Medical and Research Centre.



"One of the reasons for locating the QNCC in Education City was for it to become the focal point for a new global hub of ideas and innovation. We are proud to be a world-class venue conceived to bring together the world's best minds under one roof."

"In addition to the local market, QNCC aims to be the intellectual nerve centre and serve the education and research communities to host key regional and international events that shape the future of research and education in the 21st century and beyond," Mr Mather-Brown said.

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Note To Editor :

About Qatar National Convention Centre

A member of the Qatar Foundation, QNCC features a conference hall of 4,000-seats theatre style, a 2,300-seat lyric style three-tier auditorium and a total of 52 flexible meetings rooms to accommodate a wide range of events. It also houses 40,000 square metres of exhibition space over nine halls, and is adaptable to seat 10,000 for a conference or banquet. The Centre's stunning architecture and state-of-the-art facilities are ideal for hosting local, regional and international conventions and exhibitions, gala events, theatrical productions and banquet functions.

QNCC is proudly managed by AEG Ogden, one of the largest facility and entertainment management specialists in the world. For more information, visit www.qatarconvention.com

About AEG Ogden

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