

Standard Chartered recognized for excellence across the Middle East

Bank receives six awards at the EMEA Finance Middle East Banking Awards 2012

Bahrain – April 28, 2013 - Standard Chartered has been awarded the Pan-Middle East Award for "Best Foreign Investment Bank" at the annual EMEA Finance - Middle East Banking Awards 2012. Standard Chartered also won the "Best Foreign Bank in Bahrain, Jordan and UAE" and "Best Foreign investment bank in Bahrain, Qatar and the UAE". The awards were recently announced at a Charity awards dinner held in Jumeirah Emirates Towers in Dubai.

Christos Papadopoulos, Regional Chief Executive Officer for Middle East, North Africa and Pakistan, Standard Chartered Bank, said:

"We continue to invest for long term growth in the region focusing on further deepening our wholesale Banking client relationships and improving our retail customer's banking experience. Our strong on the ground presence and deep market knowledge coupled with our global network across the most dynamic emerging markets ideally position us as the bank of choice for our retail customers and Wholesale Banking clients. These distinctions come as testament to our strong market position in the Middle East, one of Standard Chartered's strategic regions globally."

EMEA Finance's Middle East Banking Awards 2012 recognize the achievements of commercial and investment banks, law firms, asset managers and brokers from across the region. The event served as a unique networking platform among peers in the Middle East's banking industry.

Standard Chartered has been operating in the Middle East region for over 92 years and has more than 33 branches and over 200 ATMs and CDMs and more than 3,500 employees representing 78 nationalities across the UAE, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Jordan and Lebanon.

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Standard Chartered PLC is a leading international bank, listed on the London, Hong Kong and Mumbai stock exchanges. It has operated for over 150 years in some of the world's most dynamic markets and earns around 90 per cent of its income and profits in Asia, Africa and the Middle East. This geographic focus and commitment to developing deep relationships with clients and customers has driven the Bank's growth in recent years.

With 1,700 offices in 70 markets, Standard Chartered offers exciting and challenging international career opportunities for more than 87,000 staff. It is committed to building a sustainable business over the long term and is trusted worldwide for upholding high standards of corporate governance, social responsibility, environmental protection and employee diversity. The Bank's heritage and values are expressed in its brand promise, 'Here for good'.

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