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[Eitesal held two Meetings with WITSA's Secretary General](#) www.eitesal.com

Egypt, 10th April 2007

Eitesal welcomed Secretary General of WITSA, Mr. Jim Poisant, and held a series of meetings with him regarding the GPPC's program and sponsorship packages. The meetings were held on the 6th and 7th of March 2007. [Read More](#)



[Eitesal released its March 2007 Newsletter](#)

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Egypt, 10th March 2007

EITESAL issued its newsletter for March 2007 which highlights the major events and news that occurred during this month. [Read More.](#)

General News

[Microsoft Invests in Qatar ICT](#)

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Qatar, 26th April 2007

ictQATAR and Microsoft signed a Memorandum of Understanding on strategic partnerships to enhance the use of information and communication technology (ICT) in Qatar. This agreement is in line with the national ICT strategy that aims to transform Qatar into a successful knowledge-based society. Dr. Hessa Al-Jaber, the Secretary General of ictQATAR was joined by Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer in signing the Memorandum of Understanding. Dr.

Hessa Al-Jaber said: "this Memorandum of Understanding on Strategic Partnerships is part of our ambition to connect Qatari people to appropriate technologies." [Read More](#)



[Areeba Syria Launches 3 G Video Call Service](#)

www.ijma3.org

Syria, 21st April 2007

This service will allow customers to benefit from Internet speeds of up to 340 Kbps and can be accessed via the mobile handset, or a PC/laptop connected to a 3G phone. The 3G video call service will enable customers to communicate with other subscribers via audio and video platforms. Both users must have a 3G enabled line and handset and be under a 3G network coverage zone in order for the video call to work. [Read More](#)

[Acer Number 1 in Saudi Arabia Market](#)

www.ijma3.org

Saudi Arabia, 17th April 2007

For Acer, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia remains the strongest market regionally. The IT vendor is still the number one supplier for notebooks, with a market share of 26.8%. GITEX provides direct access to a wide range of potential customers across the country. Notebooks remain the vendor's top product, with 138,729 units sold in the Kingdom, constituting a year-on-year growth of 42.1% since 2005. 'Notebooks are our best selling products in the Kingdom, and products like the Ferrari 1000 further demonstrate our determination to provide quality products to end users,' said Emanuele Accolla, Vice President, EMEA and Director for the Middle East and Turkey (META) region. [Read More](#)

[Injaz has successfully launched its new Portal](#)

www.intaj.net

Jordan, 17th April 2007

The INJAZ site is now fully operational and has been designed and created in harmony with the organization's identity and its established mission of inspiring and preparing Jordanian youth, as well as enhancing their opportunities to join the job market as qualified employees and entrepreneurs. The structure and main modules of the site, as well as the content, integration links, and business rules, have also been deployed using ESADENIA® CMS implementation tools. [Read More](#)

[Cable One first to Deploy DSL in Lebanon](#)

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Lebanon, 12 April 2007

Cable One, a member of the Comium Group, a worldwide Operator of Broadband services, announced today that it has successfully completed the installation of the first DSL infrastructure in the MoT central office of Hamra as part of a the nationwide deployment of ADSL in Lebanon. Cable One aims to provide ADSL2+ (Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line) based service on Huawei SmartAX IP DSLAM including end-to-end broadband subscriber line tests, remote centralized xDSL terminal management, enabling a flexible broadband DSL network with an operable and manageable architecture. [Read More](#)

[Establishing a higher Institute to serve the ICTE domain](#)

www.eitesal.com

Egypt, 26th March 2007

The EITESAL committee for Education and Training is in the process of applying to the Ministry of Higher Education to gain the approval for the establishment of a higher institute supporting ICTE higher education up to the BSC level. The Education Committee is seeking the support of all member companies of EITESAL to lobby the Ministry of Higher Education in order to obtain the necessary approval for the project. [Read More](#)

[Launch of E-Gate Facilities at Queen Alia Airport](#)

www.intaj.net

Jordan, 18th March 2007

Mr. Faisal Al Faiz inaugurated e-Gate facilities at Queen Alia International Airport on March 18th. The opening ceremony was attended by VIP officials and a large audience. The project is implemented in cooperation between Jordan Civil Aviation Authority and DATEL and supported by the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Transport, GID and the PSD. Queen Alia International Airport Amman is the first airport in Jordan to go live

with the E-GATE. Eight gates are operating now and are ready to serve travelers. [Read more.](#)

Latest Events

[IDM Goes Global with IDMI](#)

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Lebanon, 30 April 2007

IDM, Lebanon's leading ISP with around 125,000 users, has recently launched its new counterpart IDMI International, an international internet connectivity and communication company. IDMI International is a new company that integrates all the group's innovative capabilities and expertise in Internet, VSAT communication, Wireless Data transmission, and all kind of connectivity. Mr. Maroun Chammas, IDM's Executive Manager discussed the aim of the new venture: "At IDMI we are committed to the highest standards of professional and ethical performance. Our goal is to connect individuals and corporations successfully within the global marketplace." [Read more.](#)



[Lebanon Partnership Representative Dr. Craig Barrett visiting Lebanon](#)

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Lebanon, 19th April 2007

Dr. Craig Barrett, representative of the "U.S.-Lebanon Partnership Initiative," visited Lebanon, and a dinner hosted by AmCham and PCA was organized in his honor. Dr. Barrett, chairman of Intel Corporation, visited Lebanon on April 19th, 2007. A dinner was organized in his honor at the Phoenicia grand ballroom on the same day. The dinner brought together the V.I.P. business community, Lebanese and international NGOs and Government officials. A special award is presented to Dr. Barrett by Mr. Nizar Zakka, the Union of Arab ICT Associations (IJMA3) Secretary General. [Read more](#)



PICTA News:

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Lebanon

19th April 2007, 05 April 2007, 09th March 2007, 19th May 2007

- **[PICTA Graduation Ceremony for 400 Trainees under the auspices of Dr. Craig Barrett, Chairman of Intel Corporation](#)**

Despite many challenges along the way, the project co-funded by the Professional Computer Association (PCA), Intel Corporation, Mercy Corps, IESC, Cisco, Microsoft, Computer Associates, Universal Knowledge Solutions, Booz Allen Hamilton and the United Nations Development Program (UNDP-ICTDAR), has today marked the graduation ceremony for 400 trainees. The graduation ceremony was organized under the auspices of Dr. Craig Barrett, Chairman of Intel Corporation, at the UNESCO palace in Beirut. [Read More](#)



- **[PICTA Training Sessions : Facts and Figures](#)**
www.pca.org.lb

After two months of hard work, the training sessions in Bint Jbeil, Baalbeck, Nabatieh & Bourj Barajneh will soon finish. Meanwhile, other programs in different PICTA Academies will be launched. [Read more](#)



- **[Fifth PICTA Academy Opening - Qana](#)**
www.pca.org.lb

Under the auspices of Ms. Najat Rushdie, Project Manager at the United Nations Development Program (UNDP-ICTDAR), the Professional Computer Association of Lebanon (PCA) organized the opening ceremony of the PCA ICT Academy (PICTA), in the Qana Al-Jalil center in Qana, on March 9, 2007. [Read More](#)



- **[Sixth PICTA Opening – Sebil- Zgharta](#)**
www.pca.org.lb

The Professional Computer Association in Lebanon (PCA), in cooperation with Intel, MercyCorps, Microsoft, IESC, Universal Knowledge Solutions – UKS, Cisco, Booz Allen Hamilton, CA and UNDP-ICTDAR will celebrated the official opening of a new PICTA



academy, based in Sebil. [Read more](#)

[Gitex Saudi Arabia 2007](#)

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Saudi Arabia, 19th April 2007

Business technology and economic powerhouse Saudi Arabia accounts for 40% of all computer and IT application sales in the region's booming \$5 billion information technology market. Nowhere in the region are more computers and IT applications being sold. Excess liquidity in Saudi Arabia is also fuelling an unparalleled construction boom in the Kingdom. Everywhere, top-class hotels and business complexes are springing up, notably in the business-friendly, modern, thriving capital Riyadh – venue for the GITEX Saudi Arabia 2007 show. [Read more](#)



[Center of Excellence in Bourj Al Barajneh](#)

www.pca.org.lb

Lebanon, 24th March 2007

In order to improve the technical and business skills for the national community and create a real chance for a better life in this area, the Center for Excellence was initiated in Bourj El Barajneh. The CFE is divided into various parts: PICTA center, Incubator center, and conference room & administrative offices. First, the PICTA center was created to train the national community on using computer and ICT techniques in order to increase computer literacy and create an environment of communication between national community members. In addition, the Incubator center will foster business entrepreneurs and provide them any needed help and support. [Read more](#)



[Citrix holds CIO Event for Government](#)

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Dubai, 21st March 2007

Held at the Bourj Al Arab, Dubai, this event was an informative and interactive session, attended by key IT executives from leading public sector organizations and governmental bodies from across the Middle East. The guest speaker from the UK, Mr. Paul Duffy, CIO Information Systems, The Royal Hospitals Northern Ireland, opened the event with an explanation of the business and IT challenges his organization has had, and is currently facing. He went on to explain how, with a strategic implementation of a Citrix Application Delivery Infrastructure, his organization was able to overcome these challenges. [Read more](#)



Upcoming Events

[Eitesal is organizing Soft Skills Courses](#)

www.eitesal.com

Egypt, 09 - 15 May 2007

This course introduces participants to the importance & role of performance appraisal in developing & upgrading the human resource element in an organization. It also allows the participants to design a performance appraisal system that focuses on the contribution that management and staff make towards the strategic success of the company. [Read more](#)

[Eitesal Organizing the Third Business Mission to Canada](#)

www.canadaegypt.org

Egypt, 10-16 June 2007

The Canada-Egypt Business Council (CEBC) in collaboration with the Canada Arab Business Council (CABC) is planning its third mission of Egyptian businessmen and government leaders to Canada in cooperation with the Egyptian Embassy in Canada, the Canadian Embassy in Cairo, the World Trade Center of Toronto and Canadian manufacturers and exporters. The Mission is headed by H.E. Dr. Tarek Kamel, Minister of Communication and Information Technology and H.E. Aisha Abdel Hady, Minister of Manpower and Immigration. The Mission is intended to assist experienced companies in this region to make new contacts or reinforce their existing relationships, as well as introduce new companies to these rapidly expanding markets. [Read more](#)

[Eitesal Students Summer Training Program](#)

www.eitesal.com

Egypt, summer 2007

The objective of this program is to promote Industry/Universities collaboration through linking academic research with industry and market needs. These collaborative research programs will bring value to IT companies, universities, researchers and the technology community. ITAC Activities cover Product Development Projects, Advanced Research Projects, ITIDA Fellowships, Graduation Projects and Students Summer Training. ITAC is honored to invite participants to one of its main activities "Students Summer Training 2007", sponsored and financed by ITIDA. [Read More](#)



[Third ICT Security Forum In Syria](#)

www.scs.org.sy

Syria, 9 – 10 July 2007

Under the Patronage of Dr. Amr Salem, Minister of Communications & Technology, the 3rd ICT Security Forum will take place from July 9-10, 2007 in Syria. The Forum will cover different ICT security topics, and discuss ICT threats and security strategies. Administrative, organizational and legal aspects of ICT security will also be covered. Special emphasis will be put on initiatives covering electronic trade, banking operations, and state electronic services. [Read more](#)

[Eitesal Awarded WITSA's Global Public Policy Conference \(GPPC 2007\)](#)

www.GPPC2007.com

Egypt, 04 - 06 November 2007

The Global Public Policy Conference (GPPC) is a flagship event of the World Information Technology and Services Alliance (WITSA)—a consortium of over 67 information technology (IT) industry associations from economies around the world. This international conference focuses on global policies affecting the IT industry and is attended by over 500 senior executives, government officials and policy makers. One of the principal reasons for participating is that ICTE companies gain an excellent opportunity to target their products and services at policy makers and business leaders.

[Read more](#)

[Eitesal Regional Conference on Human Resources](#)

www.eitesal.com

Egypt, 06 to 08 November 2007

TEAM-Engineering and Management Consultants invited Eitesal members to attend a regional conference in the Middle East that will take place in Cairo, Egypt, during the period from 6 – 8 November, 2007. The theme of the conference is: “**Human Resources Development: Connectivity, Knowledge and Creativity.**” [Read More](#)

Career Opportunities

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[Senior Software Developer](#)

[\(Abu Dhabi\)](#)

[Team Leader](#)

[\(Abu Dhabi\)](#)

Team Leader/Database Architect

(Abu Dhabi)

Technical Specialist

(Lebanon)

Business Development Manager

(Bahrain)

GPPC Project Manager

(Egypt)

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