

## **Gulf Business and Financial Leaders to Attend SHUAA GCC Investor Conference in London**

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**Dubai - 9 May 2009:** SHUAA Capital (ticker symbol: SHUA.DU), the GCC's leading financial services institution, today announces that it is hosting the GCC Investor Conference in London on 27-28 May 2009, focused on the theme of attracting international investors to the GCC region.

Before commencing with the successful format of one-on-one and roundtable meetings between the CEOs and CFOs of companies and institutional investors, the event will start with plenary sessions addressed by selected leaders of the GCC.

Confirmed speakers include H.H. Sheikh Khaled Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, H.H. Sheikha Hanadi Khaled Bin Nasser Al Thani, Mr. Majed Sufiyani and Mr. Kito de Boer as well as Mr. Husam Hourani, Managing Partner, Tamimi & Company, Mr. Abdullah Bin Saleh Al Suweilmi, Chief Executive Officer, Saudi Stock Exchange (Tadawul), Mr. Tom Healy, Chief Executive Officer, Abu Dhabi Stock Exchange, and Mr. Nasser Al Shaibi, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Qatar Financial Markets Authority.

The SHUAA GCC Investor Conference will give top companies listed on GCC stock markets the opportunity to highlight their investment case and equity story to more than 150 key members of the international professional investment community.

There will be over 20 presenting companies from Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Kuwait who have confirmed senior delegations for the event, including: Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank, Agility, Air Arabia, Aldar, Almarai, Amiantit, Arabtec, Aramex, DANA Gas, DEPA, Drake & Scull, Dubai Islamic Bank, Emirates NBD, Mobily, Qatar Islamic Bank, Red Sea Housing, Saudi Research and Marketing, Saudi Telecom (STC), SHUAA Capital, Tabreed, and ZAIN.

Mr. Oliver Schutzmann, Chief Communications Officer of SHUAA Capital commented:

"There is increasing interest in the regional markets due to their solid economic fundamentals as evidenced by the strong investor participation. Vast hydrocarbon reserves and rapidly diversifying economies put the region in a robust position going forward. This is in spite of the current global financial crisis, which is what makes the GCC such an attractive investment option."