

News Release

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SHUAA Elevates its Capital Markets Platform to Global Institutional Standard with SunGard

SHUAA Capital is one of the first financial institutions in the Middle East to go live with SunGard's Front Arena, an advanced sales and trading system that provides a transparent and reliable platform with fully-integrated access to regional and global markets. SunGard is one of the world's leading software and technology services companies. The implementation of SunGard's Front Arena will help SHUAA develop a competitive advantage as its sales and trading capabilities evolve to higher global standards.

"SHUAA's enhanced sales and trading business is built on the premise of providing a client-centric suite of products and services. This means offering a global institutional standard trading platform and the capacity to offer clients access to regional as well as international securities," said HH Sheikh Maktoum Hasher Al Maktoum, executive chairman of SHUAA Capital. "Domestic and international investors are increasingly looking for automated and transparent trade execution, whether in equities, fixed income or derivatives, which we are now able to offer along with SunGard."

The Middle East's financial markets are rapidly evolving and the regulatory environment for trading is expected to become more demanding on financial services providers. The flexible and sophisticated nature of SunGard's technology positions SHUAA to capitalize on the opportunities offered by future developments in the regional financial industry, including market making, direct market access (DMA), securities lending, as well as algorithmic trading.

Russ Fradin, president and chief executive officer, SunGard, commented, "SHUAA's commitment to offering its clients access to the latest global industry standard and consistently high levels of service matches our own. The Middle East region is an important focus for our customers both locally and around the world, and we look forward to helping customers like SHUAA grow and benefit from the many opportunities that continue to evolve here."

SunGard's Front Arena will provide SHUAA with a single platform through which it can expand and develop its services over time, in addition to helping it enhance operational efficiency and client service.

About SunGard

SunGard is one of the world's leading software and technology services companies. SunGard serves approximately 25,000 customers in more than 70 countries and has approximately 17,000 employees. SunGard provides software and processing solutions for financial services, education and the public sector. SunGard also provides disaster recovery services, managed IT services, information availability consulting services and business continuity management software. With annual revenue of over \$4.0 billion, SunGard is one of the largest privately held IT software and services companies. For more information, please visit www.sungard.com.

About SunGard's Front Arena

SunGard's Front Arena is a global capital markets solution that delivers position control across multiple asset classes and business lines. Integrating sales and distribution, trading and risk management, and settlement and accounting, Front Arena helps capital markets businesses around the world improve performance, transparency and automation. Find out more at <http://www.sungard.com/positioncontrol>.

About SHUAA Capital ('SHUAA')

SHUAA, headquartered in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, services corporate and institutional clients as well as family businesses and high-net-worth-individuals with expertise in the areas of asset management, investment banking advisory services, capital markets and credit. SHUAA was established in 1979 by Emiri decree No. 6. SHUAA is a public shareholding company, regulated as a financial investment company by the UAE Central Bank. Its stocks are listed on the Dubai Financial Market. For more information: www.shuaa.com.

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