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ARAB COUNTRIES Agree on NEW FRAMEWORK For HALAL CERTIFICATES MUTUAL RECOGNITION

4th Global Halal Industry Platform

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"The Global Halal Industry Platform, being held in Conjunction with Gulfood Dubai, is considered a Meeting Point for the Most Prominent Global Players in the Halallindustry. It also represents a Major Opportunity to exchange Ideas and Visions of Growth, with over 1.6 Billion Muslims around the World consuming Halal Food pPoducts," said ESMA's Director General Abdulla Al Maeeni.

He added that the UAE has for Years been leading Efforts in this Sector and launched the 'Dubai as the Capital of Islamic Economy' Initiative in 2013. It also established the 'Dubai Islamic Economy Development Center' as well as the 'International Halal Accreditation Forum' which includes 32-Member sSates.

Al Maeeni said that UAE also strengthened its Ranking in the Global Islamic Economy Indicator, as part of its Post-Oil Production Vision. In fact, the Country was the First to establish and implement the World's First Halal Food System with Standards and Practices in the Fields of Accreditation, Certification and Evaluation.

The GCC Countries alone import USD 50 Billion worth of Halal Products. Also, Muslim Consumers around the World are expected to spend USD 3 Trillion by 2023, according to a Report by the Dubai Islamic Economy Development Center.

* Photo Cover : Eng. Sultan Al Mansouri, UAE Minister of Economy, Chairman of the Emirates Authority for Standardisation and Metrology, and a number of officials, ambassadors and consuls during the announcement of the Arab program of Halal in Dubai Monday 18 February 2019.

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