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# **Celebrating Oman's Most Successful Companies**

At its first event in the Sultanate of Oman, Forbes Middle East recognized the top listed and unlisted companies in the region.

orbes Middle East brought together the top listed and unlisted companies in Oman to honor them with a special award. Approximately 150 VIP guests and executives from across Oman gathered for the spectacular dinner and award ceremony.

Khuloud Al Omian, Editor-In-Chief at Forbes Middle East, opened the event with welcome remarks. H.E. Talal Suleiman Al-Rahbi, Deputy Secretary-General for the Supreme Council for Planning also gave a keynote speech about Oman's success. "The growth of the economy in Oman, although we've been through financial crises, we've kept an average growth of the GDP by over 2.5% in the last two years and hoping this year will show even higher growth percentage," said Al-Rahbi.

The top 25 listed and unlisted companies were awarded

with a trophy from their respective categories. To calculate the list, Forbes Middle East gathered information from the Muscat Stock Exchange, and evaluated market value, sales, assets and profits. Combined, the top 25 listed companies have approximately \$111.8 billion worth of assets, and last year made \$18.6 billion in revenue and \$2.1 billion in profit. The list was accompanied by a special country report that was featured in the December/January edition of the Forbes Middle East magazine.

The unlisted companies ranking took into account the size of the business (in regard to number of employees, offices and countries present), the age of the company, its social initiatives, transparency and editorial points. Two Omani influencers also received a special award for helping to shape a positive image of the region.





Executive speech by Khuloud Al Omian, Keynote Speech by H.E. Talal Editor-In-Chief at Forbes Middle East

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The event not only celebrated the country's business leaders, but also created awareness in the region about Forbes Middle East. "We are here today, extending the hand of friendship and cooperation, and we seek to work with you to achieve our media role, which is to support the wheel of economy and development in your noble country and in the whole region," said Khuloud Al Omian, Editor-in-Chief at Forbes Middle East.

The event was hosted in Muscat with LuLu Group International, Danube Home and GBM as partners.



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Omani violinist, Tahira Jamal Al Balushi Al Tasnim Enterprises









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Layla AlSiyabi, social media influencer







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