



Press Release

AWSAJ ACADEMY AND ORYX GTL HONOUR OUTSTANDING STUDENT ACHEIVEMENTS AT AWARDS CEREMONY

***ORYX GTL handed gifts and certificates to Grade 11-12 students who have displayed proficiency
in English, Mathematics and Science.***

Doha, Qatar, 26 May 2015: Awsaj Academy, a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF), held an honorary awards ceremony on the 21st of May to celebrate the impressive academic achievements of its students.

Held in conjunction with ORYX GTL, the event was hosted at the academy's campus in Doha and attended by academy staff members, students and the proud parents of those honoured.

It is hoped that the recognition ceremony will further motivate the young students to continue their hard work and efforts, in line with QF's mission to unlock human potential and foster a culture of life-long learning.

During the event, ORYX GTL presented seven hard-working students with a gift and a certificate of achievement in appreciation of their commitment and academic success.

Speaking after the ceremony, Dr Don Francis, Awsaj Academy's Secondary School Principal, praised the students for their compassion, academic dedication and their advanced English and Arabic literary skills. In addition, he also stressed the value of Awsaj's relationship with ORYX GTL, who were honorary sponsors of the event, and highlighted how ORYX GTL has promoted the academic growth of several students through its funding of various academy activities and projects.

Responding Mr Ahmed Al Sulaiti, Human Resources Manager at ORYX GTL, said: "Our presence here today is to confirm the commitment of ORYX GTL in supporting important educational initiatives like this in the State of Qatar. This is in the context of our ongoing strategies and efforts to support the major educational institutions in this country in order to qualify and prepare a new generation of industry and business leaders who will have a necessary role to play in meeting the goals of the Qatar National Vision 2030."

The ORYX GTL Honorary Awards recognises students in grades 11-12 who have demonstrated proficiency in English, Mathematics and Science. Under the current eligibility criteria, students must earn a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher in Math and Science, 2.85 or higher in their other disciplines, and an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score of at least 5.5.

Awsaj Academy is a K-12 specialised school that addresses the needs of students with learning challenges, an outreach centre that provides evaluation and professional development services to the community, and a Centre for Education Research and

Development that conducts and promotes education research and reform initiatives that benefit all students including those with academic challenges.

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Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF) is a private, non-profit organisation that is supporting Qatar on its journey from carbon economy to knowledge economy by unlocking human potential, for the benefit of not only Qatar, but the world.

Founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Amir, QF is chaired by Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser.

QF's work encompasses education, research and community development. World-class universities are brought to Qatar to help create an education sector in which young people can develop the attitudes and skills required for a knowledge economy. At the same time, QF builds Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercialising solutions through key sciences. The Foundation also works to foster a progressive society while enhancing cultural life, protecting Qatar's heritage and addressing immediate social needs in the community.

For a complete list of QF's initiatives and projects, visit <http://www.qf.org.qa>