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Ahli Bank joins GIX as a silver sponsor

Being the ideal event for companies from around the world, GIX 2007 will gather Iraqi officials, VIPs, and powerful decision makers with leading companies from various sectors from Iraq, the Gulf region, and from around the globe. And the most recent establishment to join GIX is Ahli United Bank, Bahrain, who joined this event as a silver sponsor.

Ahli United Bank (AUB) is a full commercial banking institution in Bahrain providing retail, commercial and investment banking business, global fund management and private banking services. The bank's mission is to create an unrivalled ability to meet customer needs, providing fulfillment and development for its staff, and delivering outstanding shareholder value.

AUB has an effective holding of 75% share in the Bank of Kuwait and the Middle East (BKME), a 40% share in Ahli Bank Q.S.C, a 49 % share in the Commercial Bank of Iraq, and a 43% stake in Delta International Bank (DIB) Of Egypt.

The bank has won the Shaikha Sabeeka Award for Bahraini Women's Empowerment, and was named Best Bank 2006-Middle East and Africa by global finance and Global Bank of The Year 2006-Middle East.