



NBB APPOINTS MR. ISA MASEEH AS ITS FIRST BAHRAINI CHIEF RISK OFFICER

- Continues strengthening of management team with high calibre Bahraini talent -

Manama: August 5, 2019 – National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) announced the appointment of Mr. Isa Maseeh to the role of Chief Risk Officer, where Mr. Maseeh will focus on reinforcing and further developing the risk management framework to support the Bank's future growth and transformation.

His appointment comes as part of NBB's ongoing commitment to leveraging and empowering local Bahraini talent at senior positions across the organisation. Mr. Maseeh joined the Bank in 2017 as Deputy Chief Risk Officer and has more than 20 years of banking experience spanning commercial and investment banking in Bahrain. Prior to joining NBB, Mr. Maseeh was the Group Chief Risk Officer of Al Salam Bank Bahrain in addition to having held various other senior risk management positions with Islamic and conventional banks including United Gulf Bank, BMI Bank and Gulf Finance House. Mr. Maseeh has an MBA from DePaul University, USA and a Bachelor of Commerce from Concordia University, Canada. He is also a holder of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Professional Risk Manager (PRM) designations.

Commenting on the appointment, Mr. Jean-Christophe Durand, CEO of NBB, said, "We're delighted to see Isa Maseeh promoted to the Bank's Chief Risk Officer. We continue to strengthen our management team with the addition of the highest calibre Bahraini talent as a matter of priority and to support our transformation agenda. This is a highly strategic role and its further development critical to NBB's ongoing and sustainable growth and the execution of our strategy, which aims to see the Bank significantly expand our participation and support in the local and regional economies. This requires strong foundations and frameworks for managing risk especially today in light of the fast-paced operating environment, rapidly changing market conditions and demands and the resulting evolution of regulations both locally and around the world."

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