



CEO Clubs Network hosted its first CEO Clubs Monthly Members Lunch Meeting on 4th January 2017 at the World Trade Club, Dubai World Trade Centre. Dr. Tariq Nizami, Founder & CEO reviewed the activities and achievements of CEO Clubs for the Year 2016 in his welcome address. To start with, CEO Clubs hosted more than 20 regular meetings last year with good speakers and great topics for members including separate business women gatherings. Dr. Tariq also recalled the celebration of the CEO Clubs 10 Years presence in the UAE which he expressed gratitude to the UAE government and all its chambers for their support from day one. CEO Clubs also successfully launched its first award brand, The BURJ CEO Awards in Washington DC last year which was attended by 350 plus top executives, Congressmen, Diplomats in US, UAE and other parts of the world having more than 25 top companies, as the first recipients of the award. CEO Clubs has also conducted the Policy Innovation Lab for Real Estate, Education, Transportation and other industries with the Dubai Real Estate Institute, Dubai Land Department. A diplomatic dinner was also hosted in Abu Dhabi which was attended by more than 50 diplomats. CEO Clubs celebrated the United Nations Global Compact 1st year anniversary where the club's Founder & CEO is a proud steering committee member of the UNGC UAE local network.



Dr. Tariq announced that the club members can participate with the UAE 2020 projects as CEO Clubs is a registered authorize procurement agent. In 2017, CEO clubs will have good speakers in line and better business connectivity. He also announced the club's 2017 international delegations in India, Malaysia, China, Portugal, Finland, Saudi Arabia and Russia. In the end part of his speech, he shared couple of available business & investment opportunities and he strongly encouraged the members to use the CEO Clubs Connect platform to be updated on the upcoming activities, members' business opportunities, events attendees list and its other significant features.



The CEO of Arabian Healthcare, Mr. Raza Siddiqui did a delightful introduction of the luncheon's key speaker.



His Excellency Abdulla Mohammed Al Awar, the CEO of Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre kicked off the CEO Clubs' 2017 activities as our first speaker tackling the critical role of the DIEDC to the Dubai's Vision to become the Global Capital of the Islamic Economy. Back in 2013, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Dubai, announce the said vision of making Dubai a capital of Islamic Economy.

The plan to make Dubai the world's capital of Islamic economy includes not only Islamic products and financial tools but also Islamic commodities, services and knowledge. The DIEDC developed a lot of infrastructures and initiatives that accelerate the development of Dubai's Islamic economy across various sectors and it has been very promising because of its rapid growth.



Following Mr. Al Awar speech, Mr. Sajith Kumar P.K., CEO of IBMC Group introduced the next speaker.



Ms. Mamta Binani, President of The Institute of Company Secretaries flown all the way from India to grace the event as a guest speaker whom she talked about Evolution of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code - A Global Perspective.



The event was graced by Their Excellencies, The Ambassador of the Philippines, The Consul General of the Philippines, The Consul General of Singapore, US Embassy representative, Turkish Ministry representative, Azerbaijan Tourism representatives and CEO Clubs members.

