



**CLDP**  
COMMERCIAL LAW DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



Commercial Law Development Program in collaboration with Ministry of Industry Commerce & Tourism, American Chamber of Commerce in Bahrain and Bahrain Chamber of Commerce & Industry

## “Doing Business with the Bahrain Government”

**WHAT:** An opportunity for the private sector to give their feedback and share ideas with facilitators from different government entities in order to improve the government tendering process for SMEs.

**WHEN:** Monday, 30 April 2018, 8:30am-1:00pm

**WHERE:** Bahrain Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCCI) – Majles Room Ground Floor

**NO FEE**

**PROGRAM:**

Time	Topic	Speaker
8:30-9:00	<b>Registration &amp; Networking</b>	
9:00-9:30	Welcome Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>BCCI</u> - Mr. Mohammad Alkoheji – Second Vice President</li> <li>• <u>MoICT</u>- Mr AbdulKareem Alrashid- Assistant Undersecretary for Industrial Development</li> <li>• <u>AmCham</u> – Mr. Daniel Taylor, AmCham Board Officer</li> <li>• <u>US Embassy</u>- Ms. Aimee Cutrona, US Embassy Deputy Chief of Mission</li> <li>• <u>CLDP</u> – Ms. Arezo Yazd - Attorney Advisor - International</li> </ul>

9:30-9:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
9:45 -10:00	<p>Government procurement laws for SMEs</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>	<p><u>Speaker:</u> MoICT- Ms Shaikha Alfadhel- Director of SMEs Development Directorate</p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> CLDP</p>
10:00 – 11:00	<p><u>1<sup>st</sup> Panel Discussion:</u> How to Implement Reform and Improve Existing approaches to make government procurement efficient for SMEs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conversation with Private Sector</li> <li>• How to reach the goal of 20% for SMEs in Government Tendering</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p>	<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Shura Council</u>- H.E.Mr. Darwish - Mannai – Member of Council</li> <li>• <u>BCCI</u> - Mr. Mohammad Alkoheji – Second Vice President</li> <li>• <u>MoICT</u>- Ms. Shaikha Alfadhel- Director of SMEs Development Directorate</li> <li>• <u>Ministry of Finance</u>- Mr. Abdullah Dhaif - Acting director of financial systems development</li> <li>• <u>Ministry of Works</u> -Mr. Adnan Askar- Chief of Purchasing</li> </ul> <p><u>Moderator</u> : CLDP</p>
11:00-11:20	Open Discussion With SMEs, Private Sector	
11:20-11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:30 – 12:30	<p><u>2<sup>nd</sup> Panel Discussion:</u> What are the Biggest Challenges for Government Tendering for SMEs in Bahrain?</p> <p>Q&amp;A</p>	<p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tamkeen – Ms.Aysha Albulushi- Manager outsource Projects, Operations Department</li> <li>• EDB- Ms. Pakiza Abdulrahman - Manager, ICT</li> <li>• BDB- Mr.Ahmed Jumma - Assistant Vice President</li> <li>• Electricity &amp; Water Authority – Mr.Waleed Al-Murbati - Director of Purchasing &amp; Supplies</li> <li>• <u>MoICT</u>- Ms. Wasan Khalaf –Chief of Industrial Performance &amp; Activity Development</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Information &amp; E-Government Authority</u> – Mr. Abdullah AlHamad Chief of Statistics Department</li> </ul> <p><u>Moderator</u>: AmCham</p>
12:30 – 12:45 pm	Recommended implementation mechanism Q&A Discussion	
12:45- 1:00 pm	Closing Remarks	
1:00 pm	Lunch, networking & follow-up one-on-one questions Supplier Engagement	