

## **Qatar Cool Co-sponsors the 18<sup>th</sup> Gulf Engineering Forum**

Qatar District Cooling Company also known as Qatar Cool, a major district cooling company in the region, co-sponsored the 18<sup>th</sup> Gulf Engineering Forum, hosted by The Qatar Society of Engineers, and the Public Works Authority (Ashghal) held at the St. Regis Hotel, from the 1<sup>st</sup> March to 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015.

The forum focused on the infrastructure, green initiatives, cooling and other engineering solutions.

Mr. Yasser Saleh Al Jaidah, Chief Executive Officer of Qatar Cool, commented, "Qatar Cool was honored to be approached by the Qatar Society of Engineers to co-host this event, it is a great privilege that we are able to be a part of such an innovative forum, and to share our collective knowledge and experience with such organizations. Qatar Cool regularly shows support to such institutes and organizations here in Qatar and we are always seeking to branch out to other sectors, in the hope to contribute towards the development of the country."

Qatar Cool owns and operates three plants, two in the West Bay district, and one in the Pearl Qatar, where Qatar Cool operates the 'The Integrated District Cooling Plant' (IDCP), which is the largest district cooling plant in the world. Qatar Cool has signed a contract for the construction of a fourth plant, which is the third in the West Bay district, to meet the growing demand for district cooling.

Qatar Cool is considered now a key player in the country when it comes to the development of the infrastructure. As the air conditioning consumes 70% of the electrical power during the summer, District Cooling, by laying the pipe distribution network, reduces the demand of the electrical infrastructure; accordingly reduces the consumption of the fuel required to produce the saved electrical energy. Qatar Cools pays close attention to the operation of the cooling plants making sure that the customers receive a reliable, efficient and environmentally friendly service.

Yasser Saleh Al Jaidah, continued, "We pride ourselves on being the leading provider of district cooling in the region, and we are continuously finding innovative ways to improve not only our services and operations, but sustainable solutions for the environment, society and our customers, which is reflecting a positive impact in achieving the Qatar National Vision 2030".

Qatar Cool has won multiple international awards, including the Best District Cooling System in the World award 2014 from the International District Energy Association (IDEA). It was also recognized by Kahramaa's 'Tarsheed', a national campaign to improve water and energy efficiency, for its energy conservation efforts in industrial buildings in Qatar. Most recently Qatar Cool was recognized and awarded the 'Best District Cooling Utility Provider of the Year' and the 'Marketing Initiative of the Year' award by the Climate Control awards, held in Dubai.