

## **DP WORLD FIRST IN GCC TO PARTNER WITH CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF PERSONNEL AND DEVELOPMENT (CIPD)**

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 18 September 2016:** Global trade enabler DP World is the first organisation in the GCC to sign a Professional Development Partnership with the CIPD – the leading UK-based professional body for human resource and people development.

With a worldwide community of over 140,000 members, the CIPD focuses on championing better work and working lives, while setting benchmarks for excellence in people and organisation development for more than 100 years.

The partnership highlights DP World's commitment to the continuous improvement of its human capital capabilities and was signed by DP World Senior Vice President of Human Capital, Robin Windley and CIPD Middle East Managing Director, Matthew Mee at the company's head office in Dubai, which is also home to its flagship Jebel Ali port.

The Head Office Human Capital team will now have access to a resource base of internationally recognised professional standards in people development and the latest industry trends and practices.

**DP World Group Chairman and CEO Sultan Ahmed Bin Sulayem,** said: "Our people are our greatest asset and this partnership demonstrates our firm intention to develop their talents. We always focus on the training and development of our employees and helping them reach their full potential. Such partnerships are key to ensuring we're up-to-date in the way we provide these resources and career opportunities. Investing in our people and providing them the tools to drive change will help us achieve our vision to lead the future of world trade."

**Robin Windley, Senior Vice President, Human Capital, DP World,** said: "The world of work is changing as never before and professional development is a key part of our services to ensure we adapt to the challenges and opportunities it represents. Through the DP World Institute, our centre for learning excellence, we already nurture the skills of our people so they feel they have the ability to deliver in their job and feel well placed to progress in their careers. This partnership takes that development even further meeting international professional standards and we are delighted to be part of it."

**Chartered Institute of Personnel And Development (CIPD) Matthew Mee, CIPD Middle East – Managing Director** said: "The CIPD's aspiration is to develop long term partnerships with human resource functions to help raise professional standards in HR and People Development across the region. We are very excited to be working in partnership with

DP World and this demonstrates their commitment to improve business performance by shaping thinking, strengthening human resource capabilities and developing their Human Capital team.”

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