

BLME Holdings plc - Appointment of new Director

London/Dubai 10 February 2014 – The Board of BLME Holdings plc is pleased to announce that Zeyad Al-Mukhaizeem has been appointed to the Board of BLME Holdings plc with effect from 7^{th} February 2014 as a non-independent Non-Executive Director.

Zeyad Al-Mukhaizeem will perform the role as a member of the Board of BLME Holdings plc in line with the terms of reference. In addition to his responsibilities as a member of the Board of BLME Holdings, Zeyad Al-Mukhaizeem has also been appointed as a Director of the main trading subsidiary BLME plc, where he sits as a member on the Board Audit and Remuneration Committees. As a representative of a significant shareholder Zeyad Al-Mukhaizeem was considered by the Nominations Committee to be a strong and well qualified candidate for the position of Non-Executive Director on the Board of BLME Holdings plc and his candidacy was proposed to the Board.

Zeyad is an investment banking leader with a background in financial services, investment management, real estate, and business restructuring/turnaround. He began his career with Kuwaiti Manager Company and has held investment banking/management positions with Kuwait Finance House and AREF Investment Group where he is currently the Executive Director of the International Investment Division. Zeyad holds numerous board positions and is currently Chairman of the Board and Executive Committee for Munshaat Real Estate Projects Company and a member of the Board and Executive Committee of ELAF Bank along with board positions for real estate and private equity funds.