

## Member's Profile

<b>Organization Name:</b>	Kuwait Clearing Company S.A.K.	
<b>Country/ Region:</b>	State of Kuwait	
<b>Name of CEO:</b>	Mr. Ibrahim Al-Qadhi	
<b>Capital (US\$):</b>	KD 20 Million (around \$71 million)	
<b>Number of Officers and Employees:</b>	152 employees	
<b>Ownership and Governance (Main Shareholders)</b>	Kuwait Stock Exchange	27.7
	KIPCO Asset Management	16.6
	Kuwait Investment Company	11.1
	International Financial Advisors	11.1
	Kuwait International Bank	11.1
	Commercial Bank of Kuwait	5.6
	Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait	5.6
	Public Institute for Social Security	5.6
	International Finance Company	5.6
<b>Brief History</b>	<p>Kuwait Clearing Company (KCC) S.A.K. was established in 1982 by the authorities, to manage and resolve issues related to the collapse of the unofficial stock market, commonly known as the 1982 Souk Al-Manakh crisis. The project required close cooperation with numerous financial and governmental institutions and a few years of diligent work. Successful completion of the project helped KCC to gain respect from all parties involved.</p> <p>On August 14, 1983, an Amiri Decree was issued to officially establish the Kuwait Stock Exchange (KSE) as an independent financial institution, supervised by an executive committee. This was a significant milestone for the Kuwaiti market and played an important role in the organization of the Kuwaiti stock market. It provided the foundation for market regulations and the legal structure of clearing and settlement.</p> <p>In 1986, the KSE authorities appointed KCC to act as the clearing, and settlement agent for all security transactions at the KSE. In the same year, in consultation with the KSE, KCC formulated and implemented</p>	

	the necessary mechanisms and procedures for clearing and settlement processes. Since then, KCC has made significant progress in many aspects of its businesses and system developments.
<b>Types and number of Participants</b>	Investor Accounts: around 240,000 Listed companies: around 250 Brokers : 14 Banks : 17
<b>Regulatory Environment</b>	Regulated by Capital Markets Authority
<b>Stock Exchanges</b>	Kuwait Stock Exchange
<b>Other CSDs or clearing organization in your country</b>	None
<b>Services Provided</b>	<p>1. KCC is the central clearing, settlement and depository entity for the Kuwaiti securities market. KCC provides clearing, settlement; depository services to all KSE traded securities, and derivatives.</p> <p>2. KCC provides depository services for unlisted equity securities and debt instruments. KCC provides registrar and trustee services to the companies and investment funds, and performs local and regional custody services for both local and foreign investors.</p> <p>3. KCC is the Central Registrar for KSE.</p> <p>4. KCC is the National Numbering Agency.</p>
<b>Eligible Securities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ordinary Shares</li> <li>• Options / Futures</li> <li>• Units of Mutual Funds</li> <li>• Corporate Bonds</li> </ul>
<b>Corporate Action services Provided?</b> <b>Yes/No</b> <b>(If yes, what kinds of services provided?)</b>	Yes, Along side IPO management, the CA provided include: Cash Dividend, Bonus shares, Capital increase and decrease, Stock split and Mergers.
<b>Value of Securities in Custody (US\$):</b>	100% of Market Capitalization
<b>Amount of Cash Settled per annum (US\$):</b>	Currently it is around \$26 Billion
<b>Percentage of Securities Immobilized/ Dematerialized:</b>	Almost 100% dematerialized Holdings

<b>Market Capitalization/ Trading volume per annum (US\$):</b>	KD 30.5 billion (\$108 Billion) End July 2011
<b>Total Revenue/ Expense and Net income Per annum (US\$):</b>	Total Revenue: N.A. Expense: N.A. Net income: N.A.
<b>Memorandum of Understanding/ Business Agreement (Date)</b>	61 <sup>st</sup> Member of ANNA since January 2001
<b>Cross-Broader Transaction (Counterpart)</b>	Tri-party Agreement with Egypt, Lebanon Bahrain was added (volume \$20 million)
<b>Withholding Tax Treatment of Cross-Border Trading Transactions (Details)</b>	Currently: 15% tax on capital gains
<b>DVP Implementation (Yes/No)</b>	Yes, partial
<b>Settlement Period</b>	T+1 fixed on twice a week
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<b>Remarks</b>	