



## PRESS RELEASE

# INOVEST Announces Financial Results for the First Quarter of 2022

**Manama, Bahrain; May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** INOVEST announced its financial results for the first three months of 2022, showing a consolidated net profit attributable to parent shareholders of US\$ 1.29 million in comparison to a net loss of US\$ 74 thousand for the same quarter of last year. Accordingly, the Basic Earnings Per Share for the first quarter of 2022, rose to US cents 0.43 as compared to Loss Per Share of US cents (0.02) for the same period in 2021. The increase is due to an improvement in the performance of the Group's revenues from its real estate investments as well as management and other service fees. The net operating profit stood at US\$ 1.28 million in the first quarter of this year in comparison to a loss of US\$ 278 thousand for the first quarter of 2021, a solid improvement attributable to gains in consolidated operating income as well as an effective reduction in operating expenses. The consolidated operating income increased by 79% to reach US\$ 3.45 million in comparison to US\$ 1.93 million whilst the Group's operating expenses were reduced slightly, standing at US\$ 2.17 million in the first quarter of 2022 in comparison to US\$ 2.21 million for the same period of 2021.

In regard to the Group's key balance sheet indicators, the equity attributable to parent shareholders stood at US\$ 144.38 million in comparison to US\$ 143.09 million at the end of 2021. Within the same period, INOVEST reported a slight increase in consolidated total assets which stood at US\$ 245.75 million in comparison to US\$ 243.48 million at the end of 2021. On the liquidity front, INOVEST's cash and bank balances stood at 11% of the total consolidated assets. To that end, the cash and bank balances stood firm at US\$ 26.38 million.

Commenting on these results, INOVEST's Chairman, Mr. Mohammed Hamed Al Shalfan said, "We quite thankfully started this year from solid grounds and with the necessary momentum to achieve several initiatives planned within the first quarter of the year. In accordance and fulfillment of our new strategy, the Group was able to focus on activating its presence in the real estate development sector as well as building strategic partnerships through its key subsidiary and real estate development arm, Al Khaleej Development Co. "Tameer". In other developments, the recently announced agreement between First Gulf Real Estate Company (FGREC), in which INOVEST is a major investor, and Sumou Holding, a Saudi based mega-developer headquartered in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has also crossed a new milestone. The agreement associated to the development of sea-facing land totaling one million square meters in the Eastern Province is in the midst of preparing for the issuance of approvals and licensing from the concerned authorities in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, all of which are expected during the last quarter of this year. Going forward into 2022, our focus will continue to be on delivering the pillars and objectives of our approved business plan towards ensuring the creation of additional value for our esteemed shareholders."

From his end, CEO of INOVEST, Mr. Yasser Al Jar provided additional operational insight, "We are pleased to see the sustainability of INOVEST's Group-wide profitability for the seventh year running; a testament to the strength of both our strategy and the quality of our investment portfolio. Looking at our latest investments, we have seen consistently solid performance from Advanced Projects Group Holding WLL, based in the State of Kuwait. The Company which is the only specialized regional manufacturer of Wood Plastic Composite (WPC) products has continued to record exceptional levels of performance, exceeding budgetary estimates for the first quarter of this year, and heralding a promising investment horizon. Within our subsidiaries, Tamcon Contracting has staked an increasing presence as a key local contracting company having won several recently announced tenders. To that end, Tamcon has begun groundworks related to the construction of four residential buildings, which include 282 units. Additionally, in another 520 housing unit project, several preliminary technical meetings have been completed towards launching the project, which will cover construction of 520 housing units. On another front, INOVEST's BIW Labour Accommodations (BIW LAC) have seen significant improvement in its current occupancy rate as a result of re-rejuvenation in the contracting sector fueled by new private and public sector development projects. As for investments in other sectors, INOVEST has made leeway into several prospective investments, one in the healthcare sector and another more advanced opportunity in the food and beverage sector."



It is noted that this press release and INOVEST'S financial results are available on Bahrain Bourse and Boursa Kuwait's websites, and that INOVEST is listed under the respective ticker/trading codes "INOVEST\$" and "INOVEST/817".

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