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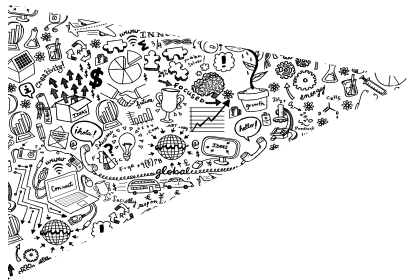
EY Jordan Grants 2014 Entrepreneur Of The Year - Family Business Award Of Excellence to Ghassan Nuqul

Amman, March 2015 - **EY Jordan** has granted the prestigious *Family Business Award Of Excellence* for 2014 to Ghassan Nuqul, Vice Chairman of Nuqul Group. The award is an honorary accolade presented by **EY Jordan** to outstanding Jordanian business families who demonstrate the balance between work and family issues, grow their business over generations, and engage in philanthropic or social activities.

Introduced by **EY Jordan** in 2013, the *Family Business Award Of Excellence* is part of the *Jordan Entrepreneur Of The Year Award*, currently in its fifth consecutive year, the *Entrepreneur Of The Year Award* is held annually under the Royal Patronage of His Majesty King Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein.

Nuqul Group was founded in 1952 as a trade and import company for foodstuff. Within only six years, the Group expanded its operations to establish Fine Hygienic Paper Company in 1958. Today Nuqul Group encompasses two holding companies: Fine Hygienic Holding (FHH), the umbrella for the Group's paper business, and Eagle Holding, the Group's investment arm managing diverse industries and investments in different economic sectors.

The Group employs approximately 3,000 individuals in Jordan and over 5,100 throughout the world, and exports products to more than 45 countries worldwide. Led by a business strategy that focuses on integrated industries, expansion, diversification and world class ethical standards, Nuqul Group has emerged as a global corporation with strong international market presence, and has become renowned for its business acumen, clever investments and commitment to enhancing human resources both within the Group and the community at large.



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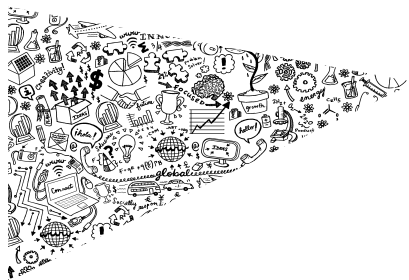
In addition to being featured in the EY Family Business Yearbook, Nuqul will join an exclusive group of nearly 40 noteworthy family business leaders from around the world. Nuqul also received an invitation to attend the second EY Family Business Summit, which is scheduled to take place as part of the *World Entrepreneur Of The Year* event slated for June 2015 in Monte Carlo. The Summit will tackle the most pressing challenges family businesses face today through a number of networking meetings, panel discussions and workshops, and will present attendees with the chance to interact and exchange experiences with some of the world's most notable family business owners.

“A successful family business is testament to its owners’ unwavering resilience, sound governance, solid corporate values and long-term vision. As such, we are pleased to celebrate the accomplishments of Nuqul Group, which serves as a prime example for all entrepreneurs aspiring to follow in the same path. We at **EY Jordan** are confident that the coming years will bring forth additional success stories of Jordanian family businesses, which are key drivers of the national economy,” commented Waddah Barkawi, Partner at **EY Jordan** and *Entrepreneur Of The Year Award* Country Leader for Jordan.

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EY’s *Entrepreneur Of The Year* is the world’s most prestigious business award for entrepreneurs. The award makes a difference through the unique way it encourages entrepreneurial activity among those with potential and recognizes the contribution of people who inspire others with their vision, leadership and achievement. As the first and only truly global award of its kind, EY’s *Entrepreneur Of The Year* celebrates those who are building and



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leading successful, growing and dynamic businesses, recognizing them through regional, national and global awards programs in more than 145 cities in 60 countries and has been running for 28 years globally.

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