

WH Smith honoured with Award for Excellence in Convenience Offering by Oman Airports

Oman Airports held its third annual awards ceremony at Al Bustan Palace Hotel, Muscat where it honored a number of airlines and retail outlets operating at Muscat International Airport, Salalah Airport and other regional airports.

WH Smith is pleased to announce that it has received an award for "Excellence in Convenience Offering" from Oman airports. This award was received by Mr. Rishi Khimji, Director of WH Smith Oman from Sheikh Khalid bin Omar Al Marhoon, Minister of Civil Services, Government of Oman, Sheikh Aimen bin Ahmed Al Hosni, CEO of Oman Airports and Sheikh Samer Al Nabhani, GM Commercial of Oman Airports.

Speaking on the occasion, Rishi Khimji said, *"We are proud to receive this award, which is a testimony of our commitment to deliver the highest standards at the new Muscat International Airport. The team at WH Smith Oman will cherish this for a long time and this award will serve as a good motivation for the team."*

Phil McNally, WH Smith's Managing Director, International, commented *"We are proud to have been awarded for Excellence in Convenience Offering by Oman airport. Muscat airport was our first foray in the Middle-East and we are pleased to continue our journey in such a prominent airport as new Muscat"*

WH Smith Oman is a joint venture between WH Smith UK and the Ajit Khimji Group from Oman. WH Smith Oman is running five WH Smith news, nooks and convenience stores at the new Muscat airport as well as an acclaimed "Memories of Oman" souvenir store and a WH Smith Express convenience store at arrivals.

WH Smith and Ajit Khimji Group started operations at Muscat airport in April 2010 and over the years WH Smith has become a favorite amongst the discerning travelers in Oman. Two WH Smith stores are also operational at Salalah airport operated by ATU.



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Notes to Editors:

WH Smith is a leading global retailer in news, books and convenience for the world's travelling customer. With more than 1,600 stores across the globe, WH Smith offers customers a wide range of books, newspapers & magazines, travel accessories and food and drink. The Company has a growing international business with over 400 stores across 99 airports worldwide, including: London Heathrow, Dublin, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki, Dusseldorf, Roma, Madrid, Athens, Doha, Abu Dhabi, Delhi, Singapore, Sydney, Melbourne, Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and the USA. On 30 November 2018, the WH Smith Group acquired InMotion - a market-leading, pure play digital accessories retailer in North America - comprising 115 units across 43 airports. The Company employs around 15,000 people.