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Ooredoo Group Appoints New CEO for Ooredoo Maldives

Doha, Qatar, 29 January 2026: Ooredoo Q.P.S.C. ("Ooredoo") – Ticker ORDS – has announced the appointment of Shadi Qawasmi as CEO of Ooredoo Maldives, effective 1 February 2026, succeeding Khalid Al-Hamadi, who will be taking on a new role within Ooredoo Group.

Since joining Ooredoo in 2008, Khalid has held a number of senior leadership roles across the Group and served as a Board Director at Ooredoo Maldives from 2017 to 2021. Appointed Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Ooredoo Maldives in 2022, he has led an accelerated phase of digital transformation - expanding 5G coverage to 60% of the population, extending broadband connectivity to more islands, and deploying a new submarine cable to strengthen national and international connectivity. Under his leadership, Ooredoo Maldives has earned global recognition, including a Guinness World Record.

Shadi brings over a decade of commercially driven leadership experience to the role. He joined Ooredoo Palestine in 2015 and has held several senior positions, most recently Chief Commercial Officer, where he drove market growth and key transformation initiatives. Prior to Ooredoo, he advised organisations across multiple sectors on growth strategy and go-to-market execution. He holds a Master's degree in Marketing Management from EDHEC Business School and a Bachelor's degree in Marketing Communications from Brigham Young University.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Ooredoo congratulates Shadi on his new role and thanks Khalid Al-Hamadi for his leadership and valuable contributions during his tenure as CEO of Ooredoo Maldives and wishes him every success in his new role.

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About Ooredoo

Ooredoo is an international communications company operating across the Middle East, North Africa, and Southeast Asia. Serving consumers and businesses in nine countries, Ooredoo delivers leading data experience through a broad range of content and services via its advanced, data-centric mobile and fixed networks.

Ooredoo generated revenues of QAR 24 billion as of 31 December 2024. Its shares are listed on the Qatar Stock Exchange and the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange.