



## IMA Middle East Focus

IMA Middle East congratulates all new CMA's from the January/February testing window. Achieving the CMA credential demonstrates your mastery of financial planning, analysis, control, and decision support, as well as professional ethics. In order to maximize the recognition of your CMA credential and to increase the awareness of the CMA, please [click here](#) and follow the simple steps mentioned.

### **Financial Modeling and Valuation using Excel Training**

IMA Middle East endorsed the Financial Modeling and Valuation using Excel Training held at Hyatt Regency, Dubai from 3rd - 5th June 2012. The goal of this "Financial Modeling and Valuation using Excel" training is to assist financial analysts, financial controllers and financial managers in the creation of an accurate financial model which would be reflective of the market situation. This training focuses on using various tools in Microsoft Excel to speed up the production of financial models and staying up to date with methodologies available. Finance and accounting professions across the industries participated in it.

### **CMA's have Greater Earning Power**

#### **Regional Chapter Activities:**

Mr. Karim Abd-Elhay, President - Dubai UAE Chapter will be speaking at the "SAFA-CMA Management Accounting Summit" organized by Institute of Certified Management Accountants of Sri Lanka at Taj Samudra, Colombo from 21-23 June, 2012. The theme of the conference is Sustainability & Corporate Responsibility. Mr. Karim will be speaking on "How Professional Accountants in Business Drive Sustainable Business".

The IMA Abu Dhabi-UAE Chapter successfully hosted an event on 27 May, 2012 at LAB, Abu Dhabi. The function was attended by 60 IMA members. The guest speaker for the evening was Mr Nizar Luqman, Senior advisor, Head of Amortization, Mubadala.. The main

The average total compensation rose for IMA members in 2011, according to the association's 2011 Annual Salary Survey, which appears in this month's edition of Strategic Finance magazine. While the average salary of members dropped incrementally (0.2 percent), a rise in total compensation (0.9 percent), driven by salary increases such as bonuses, indicates a positive sign for the accounting profession. To know more, [click here](#).

topic of discussion for the event was "Leadership skills for Finance". The event was endorsed with 2 CPE credits and well received by the attendees.

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