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## NEWS RELEASE

### Khaled Al Mansoori Installed as President of IAEM International Council

**Oct. 5, 2010 (Falls Church, Va.)** – The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) installed Khaled Al Mansoori as president of the IAEM International Council and a member of the IAEM-Global Board of Directors at the 2010 IAEM Asia-Oceania Resilience Conference, Oct. 5-6, 2010, in Singapore. Mr. Mansoori works at the national level in the UAE, where he is head of Media Emergency and Crisis Management, National Emergency and Crisis Management Authority (NCEMA), Higher National Security Council, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE).

In a recent letter to NCEMA's general manager, HE Mohamed Khalfan Al Romaithi, IAEM's Global Board Chairman Rick Cox, CEM, wrote, "Congratulations to Khaled Al Mansoori for being elected as the president of IAEM's International Council. This is the first time a director has been elected to the IAEM-Global Board from the Middle East." According to Mr. Cox, Mr. Mansoori will "represent a variety of interests and his coordination role can help raise the visibility of NCEMA around the world. It can also help raise the profile of the UAE's emergency readiness and resiliency projects."

After his election, Mr. Mansoori said, "I plan to work closely with professional emergency managers from many countries to find new ways to enhance international cooperation in responding to the impacts of disasters, crises, and emergencies." His goals include increasing membership in the IAEM International Council, with special emphasis on the GCC countries, building a better understanding of the key principles of emergency management especially in nations with limited resources, and helping to promote disaster resilience in regions that are most prone to major catastrophes. Mr. Mansoori, who previously represented the UAE as its IAEM National Representative, also said that he hopes to convene the first International Council Meeting early next year in the UAE. "I am looking forward to inviting my international colleagues to visit the UAE in 2011 to show them the excellent work being done at NCEMA and to develop a series of priorities for cooperating as a Council to deal with disasters and crises around the world," said Mr. Mansoori.

Prior to joining NCEMA in 2008, Mr. Mansoori held several positions in the UAE public and semi-government sector. He started his career in the UAE armed forces and later served as a human resources manager in the Abu Dhabi Presidential Court (Ministry of Presidential Affairs). He later joined Abu Dhabi Water and Electricity Authority as the director of strategic public relations and communications, and was subsequently assigned the responsibility of interim head of human resources and administration, where he was responsible for overseeing the HR function for more than 10,000 employees throughout the region. He served as a board member of the Arabian Power Company and Arabian Power Limited Company, and is an active member of the Abu Dhabi Environment Committee. Mr. Mansoori studied Electrical Engineering at The George Washington University, and holds a Bachelor in Business Administration degree from the American University, Dubai, UAE. More recently, he was awarded certification in strategic planning from Harvard University, as well as certification in integrated emergency planning from the Emergency Planning College, UK.

*The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), which has more than 5,000 members in 58 countries, is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to promoting the goals of saving lives and protecting property during emergencies and disasters. IAEM is governed by a Global Board of Directors comprised of representatives from each of the seven Councils: IAEM-Asia, IAEM-Canada, IAEM-Europa, IAEM-International, IAEM-Oceania, IAEM-Students, and IAEM-USA. IAEM provides: access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager® program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more. Visit [www.iaem.com](http://www.iaem.com).*



**Installation of Officers, IAEM Asia-Oceania Resilience Conference, Singapore.** Left to right: IAEM-Global Board Chair Rick Cox, CEM; Past IAEM International Council President Gideon For-Mukwai, CEM; Newly Installed IAEM International Council President Khaled Al Mansoori; and IAEM-Global CEO Elizabeth B. Armstrong, MAM, CAE.