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## **CDC becomes ACCA Approved Employer**

The Central Depository Company of Pakistan Limited (CDC) has been registered as an Approved Employer with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), the global body for professional accountants.

The registration process involved the assessment of CDC's standards for staff training and development as well as overall learning environment at the organization. This close relationship will indeed help CDC attract and retain best talent in the field of Accounting and Finance and will also provide an opportunity for existing CDC employees to receive credit for their work experience. Currently there is a substantial number of ACCA trainees working at CDC offices across Pakistan.

In an award presentation ceremony organized at the CDC office in Karachi Mr. Muhammad Hanif Jakhura, Chief Executive Officer, CDC Pakistan Ltd, said that "The diversified businesses of CDC require highly skilled and qualified professionals who have high moral and ethical values. It is through organizations such as ACCA, that we expect to meet the rising need of accounting and finance professionals".

Speaking at the occasion Mr. Arif Masud Mirza, Head of ACCA Pakistan said, "ACCA is excited about this strategic partnership formed with the only depository company in Pakistan. Besides providing CDC with human talent, ACCA Pakistan will support CDC in conducting researches and supporting them in their diversified role through ACCA's thought leadership initiatives. He further added that employers like CDC Pakistan Ltd. have a great impact on businesses in Pakistan and ACCA is proud to be associated with them".

Mr. Aftab Diwan – Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Anwar Goplani- Head of Human Resources, Mr. Kamran Ahmed Qazi – CFO and Company Secretary, Mr Fazal Hussain Gaffoor – Chief Internal Auditor, Mr Ejaz Ali Shah - General Manager Marketing and Customer Support Services, CDC Pakistan, Mr. Haroon A. Jan – Head of Business Development, ACCA Pakistan and Mr. Taimur Beiram Khan – Business Development Manager, ACCA Pakistan were also present at the ceremony.

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**About ACCA**

1. ACCA is the largest and fastest-growing global professional accountancy body and has over 122,000 members and 325,000 students in over 170 countries.
2. Over 8,500 companies are now ACCA Approved Employers, including international blue chip organisations such as: BP, HSBC, Roche and Tesco.
3. The Trainee Development Scheme is part of ACCA's Approved Employer programme – details of which can be found at [www.accaglobal.com/employers](http://www.accaglobal.com/employers)



**About CDC**

Central Depository Company manages and operates an electronic book entry system for the custody and paperless settlement of equity, debt and other financial instruments traded on all three stock exchanges of the country. CDC provides depository services to a wide range of Capital Market participants which include Brokers, Asset Management Companies, Banks (including custodian Banks) and general retail investors.