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Kamco Invest announced that its Chief Executive Officer, Faisal Mansour Sarkhou, has been named among the Middle East’s Top 10 Asset Managers for 2026 by Forbes Middle East.

The annual ranking, published in July, recognizes fifty of the region's leading asset management executives based on their leadership, business performance, innovation, and contribution to the industry. Sarkhou ranked 10th this year, marking another consecutive year in the top 10 and reinforcing the position of Kamco Invest as one of the region's leading investment managers and financial service providers.

In its profile, Forbes Middle East highlighted Sarkhou's leadership since assuming the role of Chief Executive Officer in 2014 and the company's continued expansion across asset management and alternative investments. The publication also noted Kamco Invest's strategic partnerships signed in early 2026, including a EUR300 million European real estate private credit partnership with Santander Alternative Investments, PGIM, and the strategic collaboration with Flexam Invest to further expand the company’s leasing platform.

The recognition reflects the collective efforts of Kamco Invest's professionals, whose expertise and disciplined investment approach continue to deliver long-term value for clients across diverse market conditions. Under Sarkhou's leadership, the Company has strengthened its position through continuous product innovation, strategic partnerships, and a diversified investment platform spanning listed equities, fixed income, private equity, real estate, private credit, and other alternative investments.

Kamco Invest's assets under management reached USD16.5 billion at the end of 2025, representing a 3.9% increase over the previous year. The Company continues to manage investments across multiple jurisdictions and asset classes on behalf of institutional investors, family offices, high-net-worth individuals, and corporate clients.

Further demonstrating the strength of its investment capabilities, Kamco Invest was recognized at the 2026 LSEG Lipper Fund Awards, receiving six awards for the outstanding performance of the Kamco Investment Fund. The awards recognize consistently strong risk-adjusted returns relative to peers using Lipper's globally recognized quantitative methodology, underscoring the Company's commitment to delivering superior investment outcomes for its clients.

The Company has also been strategically strengthening its collaboration with Burgan Bank following the Bank's acquisition of United Gulf Bank, Kamco Invest's major shareholder, in 2025. This closer alignment is expected to enhance collaboration across wealth management, investment banking, and asset management, while expanding distribution capabilities and creating new opportunities to deliver greater value to clients across the region.

Commenting on the recognition, Sarkhou said: "Being recognized among the Middle East's Top 10 Asset Managers for another consecutive year is an honor that reflects the dedication, professionalism, and unwavering commitment of the entire Kamco Invest team. This recognition belongs to every colleague whose expertise and passion continue to drive our success. I would also like to thank our Board of Directors for their continued guidance and support, as well as our clients and business partners for the trust they place in us. Their confidence inspires us to continue evolving our investment platform, strengthening our strategic partnerships, and delivering innovative solutions that create long-term value."

He added: "As we continue to deepen our collaboration with Burgan Bank and expand our international partnerships, we remain focused on building sustainable growth and reinforcing our position as a leading regional investment manager."

Kamco Invest remains committed to expanding its regional and international investment platform, strengthening strategic partnerships, and delivering innovative investment solutions that meet the evolving needs of its clients. The Company continues to invest in its capabilities while maintaining a disciplined, long-term approach to creating sustainable value for investors.

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