

ExxonMobil Sign New Two Year Sponsorship Deal

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Tournament Receives Sponsorship Boost From ExxonMobil

ExxonMobil Qatar has underlined its ongoing commitment to the Commercialbank Qatar Masters, presented by Dolphin Energy, by signing a two-year sponsorship agreement with the Doha-staged European Tour golf event.

This deal builds on many years of sponsorship between ExxonMobil and the event since first staged in 1998. This year's tournament will again be hosted by the Qatar Golf Association (QGA), the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) and the Commercial Bank Qatar at Doha Golf Club from February 2 - 5.

"ExxonMobil has been firmly behind this tournament since it began fourteen years ago and we are delighted to have seen it grow to become one of the premier overseas tournaments on the European Tour schedule," said Bart Cahir, President and General Manager of ExxonMobil Qatar Inc. "With first appearances by Jason Day and Hunter Mahan – two of the brightest talents in the game – golf fans around the world will look to Qatar to see who will be named the next champion."

"Qatar's leadership has identified sports as a way to showcase Qatar to the world – and events like the Commercialbank Qatar Masters demonstrate Qatar's great success in this area," said Cahir. "Thanks to the Qatar Golf Association, Qatar Olympic Committee and Commercialbank, this golf tournament ranks alongside the very best in the sport and again confirms the nation as a home of world-class sporting properties – a key component in the Qatar National Vision 2030."

The agreement was signed by Bart Cahir and Commercialbank Deputy CEO Abdulla Al Raisi in the presence of Qatar Golf Association President Hassan Al Naimi, Dolphin Energy General Manager Qatar Adel Ahmed Albuainain and Tournament Manager and Doha Golf Club General Manager Chris Myers during a signing ceremony at Doha Golf Club.

"The Qatar Golf Association and ExxonMobil have an excellent relationship stretching back to the first professional tournament staged here back in 1998," said Al Raisi. "This tournament benefits from working hand-in-hand with sponsors who are not only supporters of sport but also of the State of Qatar. ExxonMobil is one of those sponsors who work with us to maintain the event's status as one of the most popular and professional events on the players' calendar and we thank them once again for showing their commitment to the tournament's future."

The 2012 Commercialbank Qatar Masters, presented by Dolphin Energy, has attracted a formidable player field who will take to a 7,414-yard course widely considered the toughest Middle East challenge on The European Tour. Day and Mahan will join World Number Two Lee Westwood, World Number Four Martin Kaymer, 2010 US Open Champion Graeme McDowell, TPC Champion KJ Choi, and reigning Dubai World Champion and former Commercialbank Qatar Masters winner Alvaro Quiros in the battle for the championship.

"We have a powerful line-up of players and an equally-strong collection of sponsors," added Tournament Manager Chris Myers. "Our thanks go to ExxonMobil for their support in what we have achieved and their belief in the event's future."

