Q3 2013 MENA Outlook - MENA Infrastructure: Building the future

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As growing economic interconnection can affect global operations by geo-political and macroeconomic changes in MENA, even executives with no operations in the region can no longer afford not to keep abreast with the developments in this dynamic market.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE REPORT

Q3 2013 MENA Outlook maps out the regional infrastructure market and provides an overview of private sector investment opportunities

- Expanding and upgrading infrastructure will continue to be the cornerstone of government expenditure programs across the region, especially amongst oil exporters. We are of the view that over the medium-long term, government programs could slow down in conjunction with slowing revenues, leading the way to greater private sector participation.

- Governments facing the challenge of post-conflict reconstruction (Iraq, Libya) are likely to augment their infrastructure drive to address the basic needs of their populations. There is a significant project pipeline being rolled out in Saudi Arabia and Qatar, with government expenditure programs paving the way for strong growth in transportation, housing, healthcare and logistics in particular.

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