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## Alpen Capital and Bank Sarasin-Alpen bring Global Fusion to Doha once again

**Qatari Artiste - Ibrahim Al Haidous and Swiss Alphorn player  
Eliana Burki to perform with leading musicians at the  
Flagship musical event**

**Alpen Capital and Bank Sarasin-Alpen will host their fourth GLOBAL FUSION  
concert on Wednesday, 22 February 2012 at the Intercontinental, Doha.  
Global Fusion brings together artistes from different musical genres and  
provides them with a single platform to perform.**

This year's Global Fusion brings together ten artistes from across the world with their varied musical styles. The concert will feature Niladri Kumar - the sitar virtuoso as the lead artiste along with musical gurus like Eliana Burki, Bernard Schimpelsberger, Ibrahim Al Haidous, Abbas Kosimov, Osam Ezzeldin, Chloe Arnold, Sheldon D'Silva, Satyajit Talwalkar and Agnelo Fernandes. Some of the highlights of the concert include the Zitar Maestro, Niladri Kumar, Swiss Alphorn player, Eliana Burki, Qatari Oudh player, Ibrahim Al Haidous as well as the internationally renowned tap dancer, Chloe Arnold.

**Sulaiman Yousif Salhi, Senior Executive Officer, Bank Sarasin-Alpen  
(Qatar) LLC**

"We are very proud of the success of the Global Fusion concerts and we are glad that our clients look forward to the event with the same enthusiasm that they had three years ago. This year, in addition to the star studded line up, we also have an artiste from Switzerland - Eliana Burki on the Alphorn."

**Sanjay Bhatia, Senior Executive Officer, Alpen Capital Investment Bank  
(Qatar) LLC**

"In addition to bringing together artistes from across the globe, Global Fusion also provides an opportunity for Qatari musicians to showcase their talent. This time around, we have Ibrahim Al Haidous who will enthral audiences on the Oudh."

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**About the artists:**

- **Niladri Kumar - India - Sitar/Zitar** - A prodigious sitar virtuoso from India, whose creative enthusiasm has resulted in him crafting a truly zany & zestful sound in the form of a "zitar", a five stringed electronic, modernized version of the sitar.
- **Eliana Burki - Switzerland - Alphorn** - A Swiss artiste adept at playing the traditional Swiss instrument- Alphorn. She belongs to a new wave of Alphorn players who are experimenting with the instrument, trying to extend its purpose beyond a mere symbol of Switzerland.
- **Ibrahim Al Haidous - Qatar - Oudh** - A popular composer and singer who works with Qatar Radio/Music
- **Bernhard Schimpelsberger - Austria - Drums/Percussion** - An exciting, progressive and innovative Austrian drummer & percussionist, his experimentation has led him to fuse Jazz and contemporary western music with ancient rhythm traditions of the East.
- **Abbos Kosimov - Uzbekistan - Doyra** - An Uzbek artiste who is hailed as an international phenomenon; through his dynamic performances on the Doyra. He is an ambassador of Uzbek culture and was the recipient of Best Musical Composition award from the prestigious Isadora Duncan Dance Award
- **Osam Ezzeldin - USA - Keyboard** - Osam has performed Jazz gigs with the leading jazz musicians.
- **Satyajit Talwalkar - India - Percussion/Tabla** - Son of the tabla legend, Suresh Talwalkar, Satyajit has accompanied major Hindustani artistes .He has also been on concert tours of France, Netherlands, USA,India and several countries of South Asia. Satyajit is a masterful accompanist to instrumental and vocal music.
- **Agnelo Fernandes - Keyboard - India** - A multi-instrumentalist conversant with the Synthesizer, Violin, the Trumpet & the French Horn from India.
- **Sheldon D'Silva - Bass - India** - An extremely gifted bassist having to his credit, a live performance at the Gateway of India alongside multi-Grammy winning vocalist Al Jarreau, George Duke, Earl Klugh and Ravi Coltrane.
- **Chole Arnold - USA - Tap Dance** - An internationally renowned tap dancer, American performer & choreographer. She has performed extensively throughout the United States, Europe, the Caribbean,



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Brazil, Japan, Taiwan & Australia working globally to unite people through the arts.

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