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Stringer shared, "The Institute's Chartered Accountants programme has seen steady growth in the region and our partnership with MICPA is proving to be increasingly popular as students become more aware of the benefits of the programme. Our programme is designed to be rigorous, internationally recognised and one which effectively engages with candidates and members wherever you are around the world."

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