



# ABU DHABI INFRASTRUCTURE SUMMIT MAIN STAGE AGENDA









# FUTURE CITIES: RETHINKING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR BETTER LIFESTYLES

DAY 1: TUESDAY, 17 JUNE 2025

Theme: Policy, Partnerships, and Innovation



# Welcome Remarks



Yousef Abdalbari
Master of Ceremonies
Abu Dhabi
Infrastructure
Summit

10:00 - 10:30

Opening Ceremony

# **Opening Keynote Address**



H.E. Eng. Mohammed Ali Al Shorafa Chairman Department of Municipalities and Transport - Abu Dhabi

# **Opening Address**



H.E. Eng. Maysarah Mahmoud Salim Eid Director General Abu Dhabi Projects and Infrastructure Centre (ADPIC)

10:20 - 10:35

Fireside Chat

# Developing the World's Most Liveable City: Infrastructure as a Catalyst for Holistic Urban Progress



H.E. Eng. Mohammed Ali Al Shorafa Chairman Department of Municipalities and Transport - Abu Dhabi



H.E. Ahmed Jasim Al Zaabi Chairman Department of Economic Development, Abu Dhabi



Moderator:

Becky Anderson

Managing Editor,
CNN Abu Dhabi &
Anchor,
CNN
International

11:00 - 11:40

**Opening Panel** 

# **Abu Dhabi: The Capital of Lifestyle Development**



H.E. Dr. Saif Sultan Al Nasri Undersecretary Department of Municipalities and Transport - Abu Dhabi



H.E. Badr Al Olama
Director General
Abu Dhabi
Investment Office
(ADIO)



Dr. Mohamed Abdalla Al Zaabi Group Chief Executive Officer Miral



Ibrahim Al Maghribi Chief Executive Officer Modon Real Estate



Adel Albreiki
Chief Executive
Officer
Aldar Projects



Moderator:

Becky Anderson

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# 11:40 - 12:20

# Panel Discussion

# Global Infrastructure Partnerships: Collaborative Opportunities for **Transformative Development**



H.E. Abdulla Al Blooshi Executive Director -Planning and Infrastructure Sector Department of Municipalities and Transport - Abu Dhabi



Mounir Haidar Co-Founder and Managing Partner LEAD Development



**Carlos Wakim** Chief Executive Officer **Bloom Holding** 



Fuat Kasimcan Secretary General Turkish Contractors Association



**Abdulaziz** Alobaidli **Chief Operating** Officer Masdar



Moderator: Gaurav Sharma **Energy Markets** Analyst & Forbes Senior Contributor

12:20 - 12:40

Fireside Chat

# The Backbone of Progress: Integrated Logistics Infrastructure for a Connected World



Omar Alsebeyi Deputy CEO **Etihad Rail Freight** 



Hosam Heikal Senior Vice President - Sector Manager, Abu Dhabi & Oman Parsons



Moderator: Shereen Mitwali International Presenter & Moderator

### 12:40 - 13:15**Panel Discussion**

# Dispute Avoidance: Advancements in Abu Dhabi Capital Contracts



Fatima Balfaqeeh Managing Partner Balfageeh Advocates & Legal Consultants



Maria Mazzawi Registrar Abu Dhabi International **Arbitration Centre** (arbitrateAD)



Dr. John Fletcher **Executive Director of** Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors' (RICS)



Hisham Al Zeir Director - Commercial Abu Dhabi Projects

Moderator:





Mahmoud Abu Hussein FIDIC Contracts Committee Member (Former Vice-Chair) International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC)





13:15 - 13:30

Presentation

# The Future of Construction - Managing Complexity and Uncertainty in Infrastructure Delivery in Hong Kong



Ir. Ricky C K Lau, JP

Permanent Secretary for Development (Works)

Development Bureau of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

13:30 - 14:00

**Panel Discussion** 

# Revolutionising Infrastructure Development: Modular Construction, AI, and Smart City Solutions



Michel Abi Saab General Manager Emerge



Dr. Bashar Abu Ghannam
Director – Research &
Development and Digital
Transformation
Abu Dhabi Projects and
Infrastructure Centre
(ADPIC)



Ghiya Al-Haj-Hasan Chief Commercial Officer - Middle East & Africa Honeywell



Klemensas Mecejus Head of Advisory AI71 AI Advisory



Dr. Hesham Nour Eldeen Practice Director, Structures, Civil Infrastructure, Transportation, UAE AECOM

14:00 - 14:20

Fireside Chat

# Smart Infrastructure: Transforming Development with Building Information Modelling (BIM)



Khaled Awad
Chairman and Founder
Advanced Construction
Technology Services
(ACTS)



Khadija Alrubaie
Acting Executive
Director - Planning
Abu Dhabi Projects
and Infrastructure
Centre (ADPIC)



Dr. Bilal Succar
Researcher and
International
Consultant – Digital
Transformation in the
Built Environment
ChangeAgents AEC

14:20 - 14:50

Panel Discussion

# **Empowering Local Economies: ICV and SME Agility in Infrastructure**



H.E. Adel Al Nuaimi
Executive Director Capital Projects
Contractual Affairs Sector
Abu Dhabi Projects and
Infrastructure Centre
(ADPIC)



Moustafa Fahour Chief Operating Officer Plenary Middle East



Ahmed Al Zaabi Executive Director of Delivery Modon



Moderator:
Shereen Mitwali
International
Presenter &
Moderator





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# DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, 18 JUNE 2025

# **Theme:** Lifestyle Development

10:20 - 10:30

Welcome Address



H.E. Eng. Maysarah Mahmoud Salim Eid Director General Abu Dhabi Projects and Infrastructure Centre (ADPIC)

10:30 - 11:00

Panel Discussion

# **Urban Excellence: Lessons from the World's Most Innovative Cities**



Daniel Liu
Executive Director
MORROW
Intelligence (MI)



Emre Arolat
Founder & Design
Partner
Emre Arolat
Architecture



Greg Bargull
Executive Director of
Development
Modon



Asma Aljassmi Executive Director of Projects Control and Operations Aldar Projects



Moderator:
Gaurav Sharma
Energy Markets
Analyst & Forbes
Senior Contributor

11:00 - 11:15

Fireside Chat

# **Beyond Steel and Concrete: Connecting to Nature in Urban Development**



Paul O'Brien
Chief Development
Officer
Modon



Moderator:
Andrew Tuck
Editor-in-Chief
Monocle



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# 11:15 - 11:45

## Panel Discussion

# Redefining Public Spaces: Smart Mobility and Multifunctional Urban Hubs



Omran Malek Head of the SAVI Cluster Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO)



Dr. Talib Alhinai General Manager - UAE Archer Aviation



Salam Ilayyan Advisor, PMO Strategy Abu Dhabi Projects and Infrastructure Centre (ADPIC)



Prashant Kapila
Board Member
International
Federation of
Consulting Engineers
(FIDIC)



Moderator:
Olivia Duncan
Senior Urban Strategist
Department of
Municipalities and
Transport - Abu Dhabi

# 11:45 - 12:15

# **Panel Discussion**

# Themed Luxury Development: Deeper Brand Immersion



Michael Belton
Chief Executive Officer
MERED



Kristina Zanic CEO & Founder Kristina Zanic Consultants



David Harman
Chief Development
Officer
Modon



Mulham G. Kheriba Chief Development Officer Reportage



Kourosh Salehi
Partner & Global
Design Principal
LWK +
PARTNERS



Moderator:
Mustafa Al Rawi
Group Director
Editorial Partnerships
IMI

# 12:15 - 12:30

# Fireside Chat

# Lifestyle Infrastructure: Building a Billion-Dollar Wellness Economy



H.E. Mohammed Alsuwaidi Financial Affairs Executive Director Abu Dhabi Projects and Infrastructure Centre (ADPIC)



Georges-Pascal Haber Chief Executive Officer Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi



Moderator:

Razan Salman

Senior Economy &
Government Reporter

CNN Business
Arabic