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8 - 9 MARCH 2023 | AL HABTOOR PALACE HOTEL | DUBAI

Wed, 8 March ICE BREAKER – EVENING RECEPTION

Al Habtoor Palace Hotel - Courtyard "Le Patio"

19.00 – 21.00 Networking with the Speakers & Participants in a relaxed setting

Thu, 9 March AUSTRIA CONNECT GULF CONFERENCE

8.30 – 9.00 REGISTRATION

Al Habtoor Palace Hotel - Ballroom "Dubai"

9.00 -09.05 WELCOME

Austrian Embassy, Commercial Counsellor

Mr. Johannes Brunner

9.05 – 9.35 OPENING WORDS

Austrian Embassy, Ambassador to the UAE

H.E. Etienne Berchtold

UAE Federation of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry
& Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Chairman

H.E.

Abdullah Mohamed Al Mazrouei

Dubai Chamber of Commerce, Vice President International Relations

Mr. Hassan Al Hashemi

Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, Vice President

Ms. Carmen Goby

9.35 – 10.00 KEYNOTE 1 – MIDDLE EAST ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Major drivers of the economies in the region in 2023 and beyond

Emirates NBD - Chief Economist & Head of MENA Research

Ms. Khatija Haque

Question & Answers

10.00 – 10.45 PANEL DISCUSSION 1 – MEGAPROJECTS TRANSFORMING THE REGION

UAE | ETIHAD RAIL

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UAE | JACOBS, Director of Strategy and Growth

Ms. Derya Dayan

SAUDI ARABIA | ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Commercial Counsellor

Mr. Christoph Pfeifer

EGYPT | ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Commercial Counsellor

Mr. Georg Krenn

10.45 – 11.00 COFFEE BREAK

11.00 – 11.25	KEYNOTE 2 – THE FUTURE OF ENERGY	
	A look at the current state of the energy sector Qamar Energy – CEO, Energy Expert	Mr. Robin Mills
	Question & Answers	
11.25 - 12.10	PANEL DISCUSSION 2 – THE IMPACT OF ENERGY TRANSITION ON OIL & GAS	
	UAE OMV, Senior Vice President Middle East & Africa	Mr. Peter Zeilinger
	QATAR Al-Attiyah Foundation for Energy and Sustainable Development	Mr. Howard Bevan
	QATAR ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Commercial Counsellor	Ms. Caroline Adenberger
	JORDAN ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Commercial Counsellor	Mr. Herwig Neuper
12.10 – 13.00	PANEL DISCUSSION 3 – HYDROGEN HYPE OR REALITY	
	UAE tde & tde energy, CEO & Co-Founder	Mr. Gerhard Thonhauser
	UAE HYBNRG, CEO	Mr. Philipp Peischl
	UAE MMEC Mannesmann, CEO	Mr. Anas Aljuaidi
	UAE Masdar, Head of Technology	Mr. Alexander Ritschel (tbc)
	OMAN ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Representative	Ms. Hajir Abubakr
13.00 – 13.15	ENERGY GLOBE AWARD PRESENTATION UAE	
	With more than 180 participating countries, the ENERGY GLOBE Award is today's most prestigious environmental award. It is awarded annually to projects saving our environment by personal action, sustainable projects, or campaigns for raising awareness in sustainability.	
13.15 – 14.30	NETWORKING LUNCH	
14.30 – 15.15	PANEL DISCUSSION 4 – A GLIMPSE INTO THE METAVERSE	
	UAE Abed Group, Executive Chairwomen	Mrs. Alexia Hefti
	UAE Crypto Oasis, Founder	Mr. Ralf Glabischnig
	ISRAEL MetaBuilders, Co-Founder	Mr. Noam Lavian
	ISRAEL ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Commercial Counsellor	Mr. Markus Haas
15.15 – 16.30	COFFEE & CONNECT – Individual coaching & regional advice by ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA in the Middle East	
	Egypt, Libya, Sudan	Mr. Georg Krenn
	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Yemen	Mr. Christoph Pfeifer
	Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, and Iraq	Mr. Herwig Neuper
	Israel and Palestine	Mr. Markus Haas
	Qatar	Ms. Caroline Adenberger
	UAE and Bahrain	Mr. Johannes Brunner
	Oman	Ms. Hajir Abubakr
	Pakistan	Mr. Usman Mohiuddin
	Kuwait	Mr. Fred Abou Saada
	As well as from our partners:	
	Crowe Audit & Tax Advisory	
	Deniz Bank & Emirates NBD	
	Emirates Airlines	
	Strohal Legal Group	
End of conference		
19.00 – 02.00+1	NETWORK WITH YOUR BUSINESS PARTNERS AT THE FIRST VIENNA BALL IN DUBAI (optional)	
	Hilton Al Habtoor – Ballroom	