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TRANSFORMING SAUDI ARABIA'S AVIATION LANDSCAPE: A VISION FOR GROWTH AND CONNECTIVITY BY 2030

Saudi Arabia aims to triple tourism revenue by 2030

The Saudi Aviation Strategy 2030 targets extensive airport development

Expanding connectivity to 250+ destinations across 29 airports

A USD\$100 billion investment backs the initiative

Passenger traffic to triple to 330 million annually by 2030

The plan aims to triple the aviation sector's economic contribution to USD\$74.6 billion by 2030

Air cargo volume is set to increase to 4.5 million tons from the current 0.8 million tons

Two global long-haul connecting hubs are planned in Jeddah and Riyadh



Please note that this is a Draft Agenda and is subject to change. Confirmed speakers are highlighted in blue.

Monday, 11 November 2024

8 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration

Networking Breakfast 9-10 a.m.

Welcome and Overview 9:30-9:40 a.m.

Heba Gouda, Vice President, Global Operations, American Association of Airport

Executives

Jeanne Olivier, Past Chair, AAAE & Retired Aviation Assistant Director, Port Authority,

New York & New Jersey and currently Airport Management Advisor

Lance Lyttle, IAP, IAAE Board Member, Managing Director, Aviation, Port of Seattle,

USA

Session 1: Navigating Challenges in Middle Eastern Airports 9:40-10:20 a.m.

Focus: An in-depth analysis of the landscape's impact on airport operations, security, contingency, and international collaborations in the Middle East. Discussion on

strategies for navigating these challenges while exploring growth opportunities. Include

development facet and impact of global and regional economic shifts.

Moderator: Dr. Bader Alaydi, Chairman of the Aviation Department at Prince Sultan University,

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Speakers:

- Asim Rizwan, Senior ATM Consultant for Middle East & South Asia, Egis
- Kashif Khalid, Regional Director, Africa and Middle East, IATA
- Anthony Colombo, Supervisory Transportation Security Specialist, TSA Abu Dhabi Regional Operations Center
- **Alessia Forte**, President, Forte Secur Group

10:20-11:20 a.m. Session 2: Achieving Operational Excellence through Digital Transformation

> Focus: Exploring digital technologies that enhance operational efficiency and reduce costs. Case studies on successful digital transformation initiatives in airport operations,

from baggage handling to air traffic management.

Moderator: Lance Lyttle IAP, Managing Director, Aviation, Port of Seattle, USA

Speakers:

- Mohamed Abubaker Farea, Regional Director, ICAO MID, The International Civil Aviation Organization
- Dr. Jihad Boueri, Vice President Strategy & Transformation, Middle East & Africa, SITA
- Paola Sciacchitano, Head of BHS International Sales, BU Automation, Leonardo
- **Abdul Razzak Mikati**, Managing Director, DTP Aviation
- Yann Guillemain, Senior Vice President, Airport & Airline Operations, EMEA, Amadeus

11:20 a.m.-12 p.m. **Networking break**







Session 3: Revolutionizing Airport Customer Experience through Innovation 12-1 p.m.

> Focus: Examining cutting-edge innovations in airport services and digital touchpoints that elevate the passenger experience. Discussion on leveraging AI, VR, and IoT for

personalized passenger journeys.

Moderator: Martin Kamlah, Vice President of Corporate Development & Operations, AAM at

Munich Airport International

Speakers:

Lance Lyttle IAP, Managing Director, Aviation, Port of Seattle, USA

- Anurag Shandilya, VP Airport Operations, King Salman International Airport Development Company
- **Ilker Aksoy**, Vice President Middle East & Africa, TAV Technologies
- **Mohamed Salem**, Director of Sales MEA Airports, Collins Aerospace
- Raghu Seelamonthula, Director Strategy & Growth Airside & Tower Systems, Honeywell

1-2 p.m. Session 4: Cybersecurity in the Digital Aviation Era

> Focus: Addressing the escalating cyber threats facing airports and airlines. Expert insights on developing robust cybersecurity frameworks and crisis response strategies to

protect digital infrastructure and passenger data.

Moderator: **Jeanne Olivier**, A.A.E., IACE's Airport Management Advisor

Speakers:

Maxim Deweerdt, Principal instructor, SANS Institute

- Meshari Alotaibi, Director of Cyber Security Operations, General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)
- Badr Al Karni, Solution Specialist Lead, Modern Work & Security, Microsoft
- Lance Lyttle IAP, Managing Director, Aviation, Port of Seattle, USA
- Andrew Johnson, Cyber Compliance Branch Chief, Transportation Security Administration (TSA)
- Nital Shah, Head of Sales Factory & Logistics Automation, SICK FZE
- Ahmed Hussein, Solution Architect Lead, Red Hat Saudi Arabia

Networking lunch and visit with SAE Exhibitors 2-3 p.m.

Session 5: Advancing Safety and Compliance through Technology 3-4 p.m.

Focus: An exploration of the latest advancements in safety technologies and practices, from predictive analytics for risk management to drones for runway inspections. Discussion on integrating these technologies while adhering to evolving safety

regulations.

Moderator: Mohammad T. Kushan, Senior Representative, Middle East and North Africa, Federal

Aviation Administration (FAA)

Speakers:

Mohamed Abubaker Farea, Regional Director, ICAO MID, The International Civil Aviation Organization

Bob Simmons, Director, Baines Simmons Ltd

Jon Ward, Vice President Global Strategic Sales, Tobii

Abdullah Alanazi, Risk Management Director, General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)

4-5 p.m. One-on-One Business Development Meetings for participating U.S. airport officials and

U.S. companies

7pm VIP Dinner (hosted by GACA / Matarat)







Tuesday, November 12

9 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

9:45-10 a.m. **Keynote: Bora Isbulan**, Deputy CEO, Plaza Premium Group

10-11 a.m. Session 6: Sustainable Expansion: Airports Leading the Way

Focus: Strategies for airport-led initiatives in sustainable development, including ecofriendly infrastructure projects and green operations. A look at successful case studies of

airports driving environmental sustainability.

Moderator: Professor Mohammad Nurunnabi, Founding Director - Center for Sustainability and

Climate; Founder and President - Vision for Sustainable Africa; Academic Visitor, University of Oxford, UK; Founding President & CEO –Oxford Impact Group (OIG)

Speakers:

Dr Mohammed Yeahiya, Assistant Professor, Prince Sultan University – KSA

- **Erin Harvey**, Aviation Operations Director, Culmen international
- Giulio de Carli, President, Airtech Italy
- Adnan Alotaibi, General Manager of Environmental Sustainability, General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA)

Ammar Momani, Director KSA, ADB SAFEGATE

11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Session 7: Navigating the Future of Airport Retail and Commercial

Focus: As the aviation industry evolves, airports are increasingly looking towards – diversifying revenue streams beyond traditional aviation sources. This session explores the future of airport retail, dining, and commercial services in the digital age. Topics will include the impact of e-commerce on airport retail, innovative approaches to enhancing passenger experiences through digital marketplaces, and strategies for airports to attract and retain commercial partners. Experts will discuss case studies of successful airport retail transformations, emerging trends in consumer behavior, and predictions for

the future of airport commercial revenue.

Moderator: Lance Lyttle IAP, Managing Director, Aviation, Port of Seattle, USA

Speakers:

- Susan Warner Dooley A.A.E., I.A.P, Aviation Chief Commercial Officer, Port Authority of NY & NJ
- Rajesh Kumar Arora, CEO BD, JVs & Adjacencies, GMR Airports Limited, India
- Sammy Patel, Vice President of Commercial, Vantage Group LaGuardia
- **Jean-Pierre Tabet**, Asset Management Director in the North America Region, Ferrovial Airports
- Mohammed Salem Awad, Commercial Director, Fly Aden

12:15 p.m.-12:45 p.m. **Networking break with SAE Exhibitors**





12:45-1:45 p.m. Session 8: Innovations and Challenges in Drones, Advanced Air Mobility,

and Urban Air Mobility

Moderator: Khurram Qureshi, Project Manager, Dubai Air Navigation Services (dans)

Speakers:

• Rabih Bou Rached, CEO and Founder, FEDS Group, United Arab Emirates

• Martin Kamlah, Vice President of Corporate Development & Operations, AAM, Munich Airport International

• **Marios Sentris**, EMEA Aviation Director, Parsons

• Eng. Daniyar Tule, Chief Flight Inspection Engineer, Samana Special Mission

• Claus Wilken, Project Manager, Flight Inspection Drone, Samana Special Mission

1:45-2:45 p.m. Session 9: Empowering Aviation's Future: Talent Development and Workforce

Strategies

Moderator: Dr. Dan Wong, Ph.D. MITE, Associate Professor and Aviation Program

Prince Sultan University

Speakers:

 Luis Nicolás Barrios, Regional Manager, Innovation, Education and Investments, UN Tourism (UNWTO), Saudi Arabia

 Professor Mohammad Nurunnabi, Founding Director - Center for Sustainability and Climate; Founder and President - Vision for Sustainable Africa; Academic Visitor, University of Oxford, UK; Founding President & CEO -Oxford Impact Group (OIG)

• HH Princess Abeer S. bin Farhan Al Saud, Deputy CEO Global, Oxford Impact Group (OIG), Saudi Arabia

Maxim Romanenko, IAP, Aviation Expert, Consultant and Author

Dominic Storey, General Manager, daa international KSA

3:00 p.m. Conference Adjournment

3:00 p.m. Networking Lunch & Visit with Exhibitors



