

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Day 1

Monday, September 23rd 2024

08:30 - 09:00 **REGISTRATION**

09:00 - 09:10	OPENING AND WELCOME <i>H.E. Dr. Mohammed Al Zarooni, Chairman, World FZO, UAE, Dr. Samir Hamrouni, CEO, World FZO, UAE</i>	Johara
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09:15 - 09:30	INTRODUCTION, OBJECTIVES AND DELIVERABLES <i>Dr. Mohan Guruswamy, Chief Knowledge Officer, World FZO, UAE</i>	Johara
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09:30 - 09:50	FZS: EVOLUTION, CURRENT TRENDS AND PROSPECTS <i>Martin Ibarra, President Araujo Ibarra, Colombia</i>	Johara
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09:50 - 10:10	DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK TO ATTRACT NEW GENERATIONS <i>Jochen Knecht, CEO, IFZA, UAE</i>	Johara
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10:10 - 10:30	ADAPTING TO GLOBAL TRADE SHIFTS: STRATEGIES FOR SEZS AND BUSINESSES <i>Karim Refaat, Chairman, The N Gage Group, Egypt</i>	Johara
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10:30 - 11:00	COFFEE BREAK - NETWORKING	Networking Area
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11:00 - 11:20	FROM SMART CITIES TO SMART ZONES <i>Corey Gray, Chair, Smart Cities Council, USA</i>	Johara
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11:20 - 11:40	DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF ZONES <i>Dr. Akram Nour, Chief Business & Digital Transformation, ECSZA, KSA</i>	Johara
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11:40 - 12:00	NAVIGATING STAKEHOLDER CHALLENGES IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD <i>Dr. Adil Al Zarooni, CEO, Al Zarooni Emirates Investments, UAE</i>	Johara
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12:00 - 12:40	PANEL DISCUSSION: UNLOCKING THE POWER OF TACIT KNOWLEDGE <i>Dr. Mohan Guruswamy, Chief Knowledge Officer, World FZO (Moderator), UAE Dr. Akram Nour, Chief Business & Digital Transformation, ECSZA, KSA Dr. Adil Zarooni, CEO, Al Zarooni Emirates Investments, UAE Corey Gray, Chair, Smart Cities Council, USA</i>	Johara
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12:40 - 13:40	LUNCH	Networking Area
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13:40 - 14:00	DESIGNING A PROMOTION STRATEGY <i>Scott Wang, Vice President - Asia Pacific, World Trade Centers Association (WTCA), USA</i>	Johara
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14:00 - 14:20	DEVELOPING A GLOBAL PORTFOLIO OF ECONOMIC ZONES <i>Simon Sonoo, Senior Vice President, Economic Zones at DP World</i>	Johara
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14:20 - 14:40	FDI TRENDS <i>Dr. Henry Loewendahl, CEO Wavteq and Senior Advisor to fDi Intelligence, United Kingdom</i>	Johara
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14:40 - 15:10	COFFEE BREAK - NETWORKING	Networking Area
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15:10 - 15:50	PANEL DISCUSSION: FZ'S: MAJOR CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD <i>Dr. Mohan Guruswamy (Moderator) Srikanth Badiga, Group Director, Phoenix Group, India Ainsley Brown Senior Director Regulations, Policy, Monitoring & Enforcement, JSEZA, Jamaica Preston Mendenhall, Group COO, Rendeavour, RENDEAVOUR, Kenya Dragan Kostic, Chairman, Chamber of Economy Pirot, Serbia</i>	Johara
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15:50 - 16:20	WORLD FZO PRESENTATION <i>Eng. Husam Abdallah, Chief of Strategy & Business Development, World FZO</i>	Johara
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16:20 - 16:30	CLOSING REMARKS <i>Dr. Samir Hamrouni, CEO, World FZO Dr. Mohan Guruswamy, World FZO</i>	Johara
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SPECIAL MEETINGS

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PRIVATE SECTOR MEETING

Dr. Henry Loewendahl (Moderator), CEO Wavteq and Senior Advisor to fDi Intelligence, United Kingdom
Srikanth Badiga, Director, Phoenix Group, India
Cesare Zingone, CEO, Zeta Holding, Costa Rica
Emeka Ene, CEO, Oildata Energy Group, Nigeria
Eimantas Kiudulas, Director and Board member, Klaipeda SEZ, Lithuania
Santiago Rojas Arroyo, Regional Director, Development Bank of Latin America & the Caribbean (CAF), Peru
Dr. Holger Bingmann, Vice President, ICC Global, France
Simon Sonoo, VP SEZ, DP World, United Arab Emirates
Yusuf Kilinc, Chairman SEBKIDER & DG Eagean F,Z Türkiye
Holger Schlechter, Chief Financial Officer, IFZA, UAE

09:30 - 12:00

Majlis Al Salam
Ballroom
Mina Al Salam

MINISTERIAL MEETING

Moderator:
James Zhan, Chief Advisor Chairman World FZO, UAE

Keynote speakers
Dr. Thani bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Minister of State for Foreign Trade, UAE
H.E. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General, AfCFTA, Ghana
Martin Pedersen, Chairman, IFZA

13:30 - 16:00

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Ballroom
Mina Al Salam

BRICS MEETING

Martin Ibarra (Moderator), Senior Advisor, World FZO Board of Directors, UAE
Rashid Ahmed AlTuneiji, Director, international business development & Trade promotion department, Ministry of Economy, UAE
Michael Labudin, Director of the Association of Clusters, Technoparks and SEZs, Russia
Srikanth Badiga, Chairman EPCES, India
Lisandro Ganuza, Director World FZO South America, Argentina

16:30 - 18:00

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WORLD CONGRESS PROGRAM

Day 1		Monday, September 23rd 2024	
18:00 - 20:00	WELCOME RECEPTION		Exhibition Area
Day 2		Tuesday, September 24th 2024	
08:45 - 9:00	WELCOME SPEECH <i>Dr. Samir Hamrouni, CEO World Free Zones Organization</i>		Arena
09:00 - 10:15	FUTURE OF LOGISTICS <i>John Defterios (Moderator), Former Emerging Markets Editor/Anchor, CNN, United Kingdom</i> <i>Radu Dinescu, President, IRU, Switzerland</i> <i>Dr. Holger Bingmann, Vice President, ICC Global, France</i> <i>Hanan AlKhozaimi, Director of Competitiveness and Quality Marine, Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure, UAE</i>		Arena
10:15 - 10:30	NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK		Exhibition Area
OFFICIAL OPENING			
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Jim Hagemann Snabe, Chairman, Siemens and member of WEF Board of Trustees, Denmark</i>		
11:00 - 11:10	<i>Speech: H.E. Gerhard Schröder, Former Chancellor, Germany</i> <i>Special Dialogue session</i>		
11:10 - 12:00	<i>Moderator: John Defterios, Former CNN & Reuters, UK</i> <i>H.E. Gerhard Schröder, Former Chancellor, Germany</i> <i>Jim Hagemann Snabe, Chairman, Siemens and member of WEF Board of Trustees, Denmark</i> <i>H.E. Manuel Tovar Rivera, Minister of Foreign Trade, Costa Rica</i>		Arena
12:05 - 12:08	<i>Video Projection</i>		
12:08 - 12:13	<i>Speech: H.E. Abdulla Bin Touq Al Marri, Cabinet Member & Minister of Economy</i>		
12:13 - 12:18	<i>Speech: H.E. Dr. Mohammed Al Zarooni, Chairman of World Free Zones Organization, UAE</i>		
12:18 - 12:23	<i>Speech: Martin G. Pedersen, Chairman, IFZA, UAE</i>		
12:20 - 13:15	LUNCH		Networking Area
13:15 - 13:25	DIFC PRESENTATION <i>Alya Al Zarouni, Chief Operating Officer, DIFC, UAE</i>		Arena
13:25 - 14:25	FUTURE OF ACCESS TO FINANCE <i>Anjani Trivedi (Moderator), Global Business Correspondent, The Economist, United Kingdom</i> <i>Dr. Sidi Ould Tah, Director General, BADEA, KSA</i> <i>Santiago Rojas Arroyo, Regional Director, Development Bank of Latin America & the Caribbean (CAF) Colombia</i> <i>Prof. Chi Fulin, President, China Institute for Reform and Development, China</i> <i>İsmail Ersahin, Executive Director, CEO, WAIPA, Switzerland</i>		Arena
14:25 - 15:35	FUTURE OF ENERGY <i>John Defterios (Moderator), Former Emerging Markets Editor/Anchor, CNN, United Kingdom</i> <i>Joseph McMonigle, Secretary General, International Energy Forum, KSA</i> <i>Eng. Nawal Yousif Alhanaee, Director of Future Energy Department, Ministry of Energy, UAE</i> <i>Dr. Hasan Shafi, Partner EY Parthenon, UAE</i> <i>Corey Gray, President, SCC, Australia</i>		Arena
15:35 - 16:00	NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK		Exhibition Area
16:00 - 18:00	WORLD FZO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (CLOSED SESSION)		
16:00 - 16:50	BREAKOUT ONE - UNCTAD GLOBAL ECONOMIC FRACTURING & SHIFTING INVESTMENT PATTERNS		Johara
	BREAKOUT TWO - UNWTO TOURISM FREE ZONES: A REAL ALTERNATIVE FOR BOOST THE NEW DEVELOPMENTS		Murjan
16:55 - 17:50	BREAKOUT THREE - WCO CUSTOMS INVOLVEMENT AND CONTROL IN FZS		Johara
	BREAKOUT FOUR - WAIPA & UNIDO INVESTMENT PROMOTION AND FACILITATION IN THE AFRICAN, CARIBBEAN AND PACIFIC (ACP) REGION		Murjan
17:55 - 18:45	BREAKOUT FIVE - IRU TRADE AND TRANSIT FACILITATION: HOW THE GLOBAL TIR SYSTEM ENHANCES SECURITY AND REDUCES TRANSIT TIME, COSTS & CO ₂ EMISSIONS		Johara
	BREAKOUT SIX - FDI INTELLIGENCE POWERING THE AI REVOLUTION: SEZS BECOME DATA CENTRES HOTSPOTS		Murjan
20:00 - 23:00	GALA DINNER		Arena

WORLD CONGRESS PROGRAM

Day 3

Wednesday, September 25th 2024

08:00 - 08:15	WELCOME REMARKS	Arena
08:15 - 08:30	RENDEAVOUR KENYA PRESENTATION <i>Solomon Mahinda, Executive Vice President, Tatu City SEZ & Founding Vice Chairman of ASEZ, Kenya</i>	Arena
08:30 - 09:45	FUTURE OF MANUFACTURING <i>John Defterios (Moderator), Former Emerging Markets, Editor/Anchor, CNN, United Kingdom</i> <i>Badr Al Olama, Director General, ADIO, UAE</i> <i>Cesare Zingone, CEO, Member of the Board of Directors, World FZO, UAE</i> <i>Steven Spence Marshall, Former Premier of South Australia, Australia</i> <i>Andrea Céspedes Marín, Director Special Regimes, Procomer, Costa Rica</i>	Arena
09:45 - 10:00	NETWORKING AND COFFEE BREAK	Arena
10:00 - 10:15	PRESENTATION <i>Dr. Manuel Francisco Pedro, Chairman of the Board of Directors of The Luanda-Bengo SEZ, Angola</i>	Arena
10:15 - 11:30	FUTURE OF DIGITAL <i>Courtney Fingar (Moderator), Founder & Principal Fingar Direct Investment, United Kingdom</i> <i>Dr. Jan Michael Mrosik, Former CEO, Knorr-Bremse, Siemens Digital Factory, Siemens Energy Management, Germany</i> <i>Hazem Galal, Senior Partner, PwC, UAE</i> <i>Dr. Akram Nour, Chief of Digital Transformation, ECSZA, KSA</i> <i>Richard Bolwijn, Director of investment research, UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Switzerland</i>	Arena
11:30 - 12:30	BREAKOUT SEVEN - UNIDO/IPTO UNLEASHING THE CREATIVE ORANGE ECONOMY POTENTIAL THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CREATIVE FREE ZONES	Arena
12:30 - 13:00	CLOSING REMARKS <i>H.E. Dr. Mohammed Al Zarooni, Chairman, World Free Zones Organization</i>	Arena
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH	Networking Area
14:00 - 16:00	WORLD FZO GENERAL ASSEMBLY	Arena

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