

15 – 17 November 2015.
 Dhahran International Exhibitions Center
 Dammam, Saudi Arabia
 Saudi Arabia welcomes you to ARABAL 2015

PROGRAM



The ARABAL conference program is now CPD certified. Anyone needing to prove continued professional development will be able claim CPD hours from attending the conference. Certificates will be available for all delegates that require them.

08:00 – 09:30	Delegate registration and welcome coffee
09:30 – 10:00	Conference opening ceremony and VIP speeches
10:00 – 10:30	Sponsor awards
10:30 – 11:30	Exhibition opening ceremony
11:30 – 11:35	Welcoming address
<i>Arabal Committee</i>	
SESSION 1: REGIONAL DYNAMICS	
11:35 – 12:35	Industry keynote panel: The prospects for the GCC aluminium sector
<i>Abdulaziz Al Harbi, President, Ma'aden Aluminium</i> <i>Abdulla J M Kalban, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director, Emirates Global Aluminium</i> <i>Said Mohammed Al Masoudi, CEO, Sohar Aluminium</i> <i>Khalid Mohammed Laram, CEO, Qatalum</i> <i>Tim Murray, Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Aluminium (Alba)</i>	
12:35 – 12:55	Networking coffee break
SESSION 2: MARKET ANALYSIS	
12:55 – 13:10	Aluminum for future generations - moving towards aluminium sustainability
<i>Ron Knapp, Secretary General, International Aluminium Institute</i>	
13:10 – 13:25	LME: warehousing, premium contracts and other developments in place to continue supporting the aluminium industry
<i>Matthew Chamberlain, Head of Business Development, London Metal Exchange</i>	
13:25 – 13:35	Questions and answers

13:35 – 14:45	Networking lunch
SESSION 3: UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES	
14:45 – 15:30	Upstream panel discussion: Analysing opportunities for growth and investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bauxite & alumina supply – challenges and prospects • Overview of onstream projects • The regulatory angle
<i>Moderator: Ron Knapp, Secretary General, International Aluminium Institute Michael Parker, President Alcoa Refining and Australia Region, Alcoa Raju Daswani, Managing Director, Metal Bulletin Joseph Kirikian, Investments, Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company B.S.C. (c)</i>	
15:30 – 15:45	Case study: From mine to mill to customer - from bauxites to products
<i>Thomas Walpole, President of Rolling, Ma'aden Aluminium</i>	
15:45 – 16:05	Networking coffee break
16:05 – 16:50	Downstream Panel discussion: Capturing growth in key sectors – packaging, building and construction
<i>Moderator: Paul Williams, Research Manager, Head of Aluminium Group, CRU Robert Holtkamp, Chief Executive Officer, National Aluminium Products Co. SAOG Modar Al Mekdad, General Manager, Gulf Extrusions Company Hamid Al Zayani, Managing Director, Midal Cables Group Elias Sarkis, Vice President Commercial, Ma'aden Aluminium</i>	
16:50 – 17:00	Close day 1
18:00	Evening Cultural Reception and Gala Dinner at Sunset Beach - www.sunset-beach.com.sa <i>Buses will be departing from the exhibition to the venue at 17:00</i>
08:00 – 09:00	Registration and coffee
09:00 – 09:05	Welcome
SESSION 4: ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY	
09:05–10:00	Panel discussion: EHS best practices in the GCC aluminium sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional coordination and standards integration • Evaluating the impact of ISO standards on credibility • Assessing the potential of renewables usage in smelters • Understanding investor and customer expectations
<i>Moderator: TBC Serge Gosselin, Chief Operating Officer, Sohar Aluminium Ahmed Ajabnoor, Director, Corporate Sustainability Assurance, Ma'aden Deon Earle, HSE Manager, Qatalum</i>	
SESSION 5: FINANCE & INSURANCE	
10:00 – 10:15	Case study: Investments and joint ventures in the GCC
Growth of the downstream aluminium industry in the GCC driven by commercial and social returns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choosing the right partner and aligning interests 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mumtalakat's acquisition of significant minority interest in Aleastur, a leading aluminium grain refiner • Expansion plans of Aleastur in the GCC and Asia
<i>Joseph Kirikian, Investments, Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company B.S.C. (c)</i>	
<i>Sergio Martinez, Chief Executive Officer, Esalrod (Aleastur Group)</i>	
10:15 – 10:30	Business Interruption and Business Continuity – how to achieve the cover you require and make sure that you have a good claims experience
<i>Andrew King, Head of Claims Preparation and Valuations, Aon</i>	
10:30 – 10:40	Questions and answers
10:40 – 11:10	Networking coffee break
SESSION 6: OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE & PRODUCTIVITY	
11:10 – 11:25	Increasing efficiency, availability, productivity and profits
<i>Modar Al Mekdad, General Manager, Gulf Extrusions Company</i>	
11:25 – 11:40	Improving plant performance
<i>Max Wiestner, Industry Manager Aluminium - BU-Process Industries, ABB</i>	
11:40–12:05	Unlocking scrap metal potential in KSA
<i>Richard Mayenknecht, Director Metal Supply, Ma'aden Aluminium</i>	
12:05– 12:20	Q&A
12:20– 13:30	Networking lunch
SESSION 7: INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY	
13:30 – 13:45	Case study: DX+ Technology and DX+ Ultra Technology
<i>Dr. Ali Al Zarouni , Senior Vice President, JA Operations, UAE Operations, EGA</i>	
13:45 – 14:00	Smelter of the future
<i>Claude Vanvoren, Vice President, Technology and R&D, Rio Tinto</i>	
14:00 – 14:10	Q&A
14:10 – 15:00	Panel discussion: R&D – innovation and technology as the key to opening up new markets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing energy consumption in primary smelting • Optimising productivity gains through innovation • Technology game changers
<i>Moderator: Colin Pratt, Managing Consultant, CRU</i>	
<i>Claude Vanvoren, Vice President, Technology and R&D, Rio Tinto</i>	
<i>Stephan Broek, Director Light Metals Business Unit, Hatch</i>	
<i>Laith Al-Hindawi, Global Product & Regional Marketing Manager, Alstom</i>	
<i>Alain Périers, Vice President Marketing & Sales, Fives Group</i>	
15:00	Close of conference

POST CONFERENCE DAY – 17 November

09:00

depart from Dhahran Expo Center.

11:30	arrive at RAK MA Admin Center
11:30 – 12:15	Freshen up/light lunch in MA level 3 function room
12:15 – 12:30	re-board buses
12:30 – 14:00	RAK MA facility & Port bus tour
14:00	Depart RAK
16:30	arrive Dhahran expo center