

GULF DEFENCE CONFERENCE

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Changing World: Emerging Threats and New Security Challenges

23 February 2009, Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, UAE



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The Official IDEX 2009 Conference

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Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces

Taking place at IDEX 2009, this one-day conference will provide governments, defence forces and defence equipment suppliers with a unique insight into the Gulf region's fast changing defence and security environment. Attend the conference to hear from leading experts in the field, network with fellow delegates, share your experiences and discuss the impact of key defence and security issues facing the region.

Conference Highlights

- Identify and discuss the key defence and security priorities facing the Gulf region today
- Examine the wider strategic environment and the impact on equipment acquisition decisions
- Assess and debate the key threats – Gulf Security, International Terrorism and Nuclear Energy Programmes

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Conference Overview

The first decade of the 21st century is drawing to a close and the world faces a fast changing security environment. As stark, new challenges have emerged so too have older threats resurfaced. Recent strategic debate has emphasised the urgent need for change and for fresh approaches to enduring problems. The 2009 Gulf Defence Conference is designed to examine some of these newly identified trends while also taking a fresh look at some of the more intractable challenges.

The conference will open with an examination of the spectrum of emerging threats identified by international experts in their field. This will include consideration of: the impact of climate change; growing water scarcity; potential vulnerabilities to cyber-attack; and the strategic implications of international organised crime.

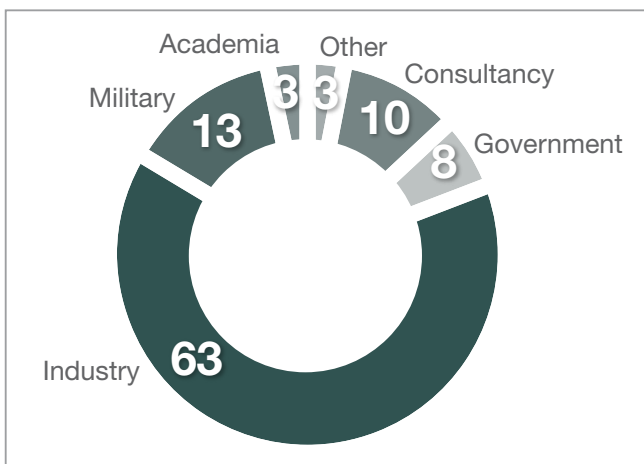
This will be followed by a session that will take a closer look at the latest trends in international terrorism, with particular consideration to its impact in the Gulf region and the differing approaches to implementing improved homeland security.

Finally, as the development of nuclear energy programmes continues apace across the Gulf and the wider Middle East, the conference will examine the potential security hazards this creates, including specific responses to possible nuclear accidents.

With a line-up of authoritative and internationally acclaimed speakers, the 2009 Gulf Defence Conference will be required attendance for anyone seeking to understand the fast changing defence and security environment in which they are working, whether from government, industry, the military or academia.

The Conference will take place in Hall A of the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre. The conference will be in Arabic and English with dual translation throughout.

Delegate breakdown by employment type at GDC 2007 (in percentages)



Benefits of attending

- A unique focus on the key defence and security priorities facing the Gulf region today
- A mix of informed views and opinions from leading regional and international experts in their field
- An opportunity to understand the wider strategic environment which informs equipment acquisition decisions in the Gulf region and beyond
- An examination of the key threats beyond the immediate horizon and debate of the implications for future strategic requirements and military structures
- Opportunities to meet and discuss these key issues with distinguished fellow delegates

Who should attend?

- Government officials and policy makers
- Senior defence industry representatives wishing to understand the changing strategic environment in the Gulf region
- IDEX exhibitors and visitors
- Official IDEX delegations
- Senior military and defence officials
- The international media
- Academics working in the fields of international relations and strategic studies

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Conference Programme

08.00 Registration and Refreshments

Grand Opening

- 08.45 Official welcome and address**
Senior UAE Government Minister (to be confirmed)
Chairman's opening remarks
Mr Peter Varnish, UK Industry Expert

GULF SECURITY ISSUES

- 09.10 Global strategic trends and threats**
Rear Admiral Chris Parry
Former Director General, Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre, UK MoD
- Globalisation state-based politics
 - Transnational risks
 - Military threats to security
 - Non-military threats to security
- 09.40 Gulf security – an overview – political, economic, strategic**
Mr Ahmed Al-Uzath
Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research
- Political change in the US – the implications of President Obama and the US 'Security Guarantee'
 - Israel/Palestine – The key to Middle East peace?
 - Continuing reliance on oil-based economies – price fluctuation
 - Economic downturn – pressures of globalisation
 - Haves and have nots – the influence of Iran
- 10.10 Beyond Oil – security implications for the Gulf and the world beyond**
Mr Guy Anderson
Editor, Jane's Industry Quarterly
- US drive to reduce oil dependence
 - Consequences for US allies – NATO and Middle East
 - Impact for acquisition programmes
- 10.30 Q & A and refreshments**
- 11.00 Satellite systems: their advantages in times of disaster and crisis in the Gulf Region**
Major Dr Eng Mohammed Nasser Alahbabi
General Headquarters, United Arab Emirates Armed Forces
- Interagency Cooperation
 - Net Centric Concepts (future battle space)
 - Transformation towards NEC
 - Yahsat System: An overview
 - Yahsat services to the region
- 11.30 UAE efforts in facing the contemporary security threats**
Colonel Dr. Abedalla Ali Bin Sahoo
Abu Dhabi Police
- Regional tensions
 - Internationalisation
 - Terrorism
 - Non-state actors – the growing threat
 - Impact Military and Policing relationship – Co-ordination
- 12.00 Q & A and lunch**

INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

- 13.30 The Gulf perspective of homeland security**
Staff Colonel Yousef Mal Allah Al Hammadi
Critical National Infrastructure Authority
- Civil military interfaces – and tensions
 - Command, control and communications
 - Shared intelligence
 - The Right Mix – designing the toolbox
- 14.00 Differing approaches to countering extremism – extinction or engagement**
Mr Hassan Fattah
Deputy Editor, The National UAE
- The changing nature of Islamist Terrorism
 - The Gulf experience of confronting the challenge
 - Are Western approaches helping or hindering?
 - Is there a clash of civilisations?
- 14.30 Balancing resilience with the needs of open societies – including the role of the media, propaganda and the challenges of bringing terrorists to justice**
Professor Philip Taylor
Head of International Communications, University of Leeds, UK
- The Western propaganda war – is the West winning 'hearts and minds' in the Arab world?
 - Perception and Perspective
 - The Oxygen of Publicity – openness vs denial of infosphere
 - Pursuing 'A Long War' propaganda strategy

SECURITY IMPLICATIONS OF GULF NUCLEAR ENERGY PROGRAMMES

- 15.00 Tackling nuclear non-proliferation – Gulf issues**
Mr Mark Fitzpatrick
Senior Fellow for Non-Proliferation, International Institute for Strategic Studies, UK
- Analysis of state of Iran's nuclear programme
 - Accepting Iran's uranium enrichment
 - The failure of Western strategy
 - Is Iran encouraging wider proliferation?
- 15.30 Systems approach in settling the problem of Nuclear Terrorism**
Evegny Antonovich Kushnir
Russian Federal Nuclear Center - VNIIEF
- A systems approach to preventing nuclear terrorism
- 16.00 Q & A**

Chairman's Closing Remarks

- 16.20 Mr Peter Varnish**, UK Industry Expert
- 16.30 Close of conference**

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Gulf Defence Conference 2009

Monday 23 February 2009

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