

MIDDLE EAST & AFRICA 2017 DUBAI

Conference Programme*

SUNDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2017

14.00 Exhibition set-up

16.00 Delegate registration

18.30 Cocktail reception and welcome dinner

MONDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2017

07.30 Delegate registration

08.45 Welcome address

09.00 Emerging markets and global recovery - John Fraser-Andrews, HSBC Bank Plc (UK)

09.30 Gulf cement sector: industry developments - Hettish Karmani, Ubhar Capital (Oman)

10.00 Cement in Africa – calm after the storm? - Tony Hadley, Baobab Advisory (France)

10.30 Coffee break

11.00 GCC Construction Outlook: diversification, mega-projects and financial deficits - Matthias Herles, IHS Markit (Germany)

11.30 Saudi Arabia's cement sector, demand drivers and market outlook – Santhosh Balakrishnan, Riyadh Capital (Saudi Arabia)

12.00 Optimising your cement business: working capital reduction strategies - Peter Hoddinott, Independent Consultant (UK)

12.30 Lunch

14.00 New trends in the Iranian cement industry - Dr Lotfali Bakhshi, Iran Cement Association (Iran)

14.30 Industry consolidation in India and market outlook - Alok Agarwal, Birla Corp Ltd (India)

15.00 Excellence in sustainability, excellence in profitability - Jim O'Brien, Jim O'Brien CSR Consulting (Ireland)

15.30 Coffee break

16.00 Using less clinker: the role of slag and fly ash cements in the Middle East - Dr Suchismita Bhattacharya, Ercom Engineers Pvt Ltd (India)

16.30 Innovative solutions for a quick penetration strategy into booming cement markets - Fernando Dueñas, Cemengal (Spain)

17.00 Alternative fuel handling systems: two case studies - Jawad Baidari, Beumer (Germany)

17.30 Evening reception in the Exhibition Area

TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2017

09.00 12MW waste heat recovery power plant: a performance review - S Raja and V Murthy, Fujairah Cement Industries (UAE)

09.30 Alternative fuels from preparation to combustion: MENA case studies - Tahir Abbas, Cinar (UK)

10.00 Innovations in hybrid filter technology - Marco Rovetta, Ecospray Technologies Srl (Italy)

10.30 Coffee break

11.00 Kiln reviews to improve efficiency, output and production costs - Volker Hoenig, VDZ gGmbH (Germany)

11.30 Clinker cooler retrofit case studies - Mogens Fons, Fons Technology International (Turkey)

12.00 Advanced solutions to control wear and corrosion in the cement plant - Dr Gary Heath, Castolin Eutectic (Switzerland)

12.30 Lunch

14.00 How to ensure short paybacks in niche markets - Philippe Lavech du Bos, Anivi (Spain)

14.30 Latest experiences with MVR mills - Patrick Heyd, Gebr Pfeiffer SE (Germany)

15.00 Cement and clinker export terminals: case studies from Turkey, Tunisia and Greece - Pietro Di Michieli, Bedeschi (Italy)

15.30 Coffee break

16.00 Bursa Çimento improves energy and process efficiency with ABB's Expert Optimizer - Juliano Arantes and Osman Nemli, ABB (Switzerland)

16.30 Control systems: improving ball mill energy efficiency - Mohammad Mehdi Khouzestani, Namadin Sanat Co (Iran)

17.00 Alternative fuel and biomass in the Middle East - Hassan Jradi, FLSmidth Pfister (Germany)

19.00 Cocktail reception followed by Gala Dinner and entertainment

WEDNESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2017

07.30 - 15.30 Plant tour to Union Cement Company (Ras Al Khaimah)

**Conference programme and speaker times are subject to change*