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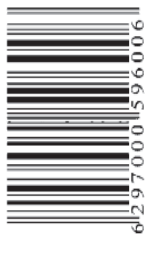


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# UAE President offers condolences to Ruler of Umm Al Quwain on passing of his mother

**ABU DHABI/WAM**  
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nied by His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Chairman of the Presidential Court for Special Affairs, along with a number of senior officials.

**EDGE** is one of the world's leading advanced technology and defence groups

## Edge launches UNMASK cyber solution to counter digital crime

The powerful cybersecurity solution is designed to help enterprises monitor, secure, and optimise their networked environments

**ABU DHABI/WAM**

EDGE, one of the world's leading advanced technology and defence groups, has announced the launch of UNMASK, a powerful cybersecurity solution offered by its entity ORYXLABS, a global provider of advanced digital solutions designed to help enterprises monitor, secure, and optimise their networked environments. Developed to support law enforcement and national security organisations, this solution enables users to identify and counter the growing threat of malicious online activities carried out under the shield of digital anonymity. As encrypted communication platforms and anonymous online services become increasingly exploited by threat actors, law enforcement and security agencies face critical



Edge's UNMASK cyber solution enables users to identify and counter the growing threat of malicious online activities —WAM

challenges in protecting the digital domain. To address these challenges, UNMASK provides authorised entities with the required intelligence to uncover harmful activities and enhance cyber resilience. Furthermore, the solution empowers agencies with cutting-edge tools to identify criminals on the dark web, track covert activities, and neutralise emerging cyber threats with speed and accuracy. Rogerio Lemos, Chief Executive Officer, ORYXLABS, said, "UNMASK is designed to meet a critical and growing need in

today's digital security landscape. By supporting agencies with deeper visibility into complex online environments, we are enabling faster, more informed responses to digital crime, while maintaining the highest standards of responsibility and security."

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 CEO, ORYXLABS

■ For full story, read [www.gulfime.ae](http://www.gulfime.ae)

## UAE set to host wide range of major global events in April

**ABU DHABI/WAM**

The United Arab Emirates is set to host a wide range of major conferences, exhibitions, and global events throughout April, reflecting its influential role in shaping the future of several vital sectors regionally and globally. The events hosted in the UAE are distinguished by broad international participation, further strengthening its position as the world's leading destination for business tourism and international conferences.



The events this month are distinguished by international participation, bolstering the UAE's position as a business tourism destination

**AIM CONGRESS 2025**  
 Abu Dhabi is preparing to welcome over 25,000 participants, high-level figures, and global investors during the AIM Investment Summit 2025, taking place from April 7 to 9 at ADNEC Abu Dhabi.

**LOCAL PRODUCTION**  
 The 3rd edition of the World Local Production Forum will be held from April 7 to 9 at ADNEC, attracting over 4,000 participants. ■ For full story, read [www.gulfime.ae](http://www.gulfime.ae)

## National Ambulance responds to over 22k emergency cases in Q1

**ABU DHABI/WAM**

The UAE National Guard Command has reported that National Ambulance responded to 22,903 emergency cases across the country during the first quarter of 2025 (January-March 2025). Operating

24/7, National Ambulance serves the UAE community through the 998 emergency hotline, ensuring swift intervention and reinforcing the efficiency of ambulance services across the UAE. ■ For full story, read [www.gulfime.ae](http://www.gulfime.ae)



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UMM AL QUWAIN / WAM

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His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, with His Highness Sheikh Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Umm Al Qaiwain, while offering his condolences to him on the passing of his mother, the late Sheikhha Hessa bint Hamid bin Abdulrahman Al Shamsi, at the Ruler's Court in Umm Al Qaiwain on Tuesday —WAM Photos

# Mohammed bin Rashid offers condolences to UAQ Ruler on passing of his mother

DUBAI / WAM

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, offered his condolences to HH Sheikh Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Umm Al Qaiwain, on the passing of his mother, the late Sheikhha Hessa bint Hamid bin Abdulrahman Al Shamsi.

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HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid expressed his heartfelt sympathies to HH Sheikh Saud and to HH Sheikh Rashid bin Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla, Crown Prince of Umm Al Qaiwain, praying that Allah Almighty grant the deceased His mercy and eternal peace, and bestow patience and solace upon the Al Mualla family

toum bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, First Deputy Ruler of Dubai, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance.

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felt sympathies to Sheikh Saud and to HH Sheikh Rashid bin Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla, Crown Prince of Umm Al Qaiwain, praying that Allah Almighty grant the deceased His mercy and eternal peace, and bestow patience and solace upon the Al Mualla family.



THE UAE is committed to reinforcing social cohesion by empowering individuals with autism

## UAE creates programs to mark World Autism Awareness Day

The event underscores the importance of creating a supportive environment for individuals with autism spectrum disorder

ABU DHABI / WAM

The UAE marks World Autism Awareness Day on April 2, to underscore the importance of creating a supportive and understanding environment for individuals with autism spectrum disorder, enabling their full inclusion in all aspects of life as valued members of society.

The UAE is committed to reinforcing social cohesion and driving sustainable development by empowering individuals with autism to develop their skills, improve their quality of life and secure a safer future, while strengthening their active participation within the community.

The Zayed Higher Organisation for People of Determination (ZHO) provides internationally accredited care and rehabilitation programmes for 522 students with autism at its centres across the emirate of Abu Dhabi.

Aisha Al Mansoori, Director of the Abu Dhabi Autism Centre, which is affiliated with ZHO, emphasised the importance of collective efforts by institutions and in-



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dividuals to support people with autism. She noted that while there are numerous methods to foster their inclusion, the first step is to raise awareness across society, particularly within schools.

In a statement to the *Emi-*

*rates News Agency* (WAM), she highlighted the critical role of early detection in facilitating integration, stating, "The earlier the intervention, the easier it is to develop the student's abilities by focusing on education and enhancing their

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Director of the Abu Dhabi Autism Centre

academic and social skills." Al Mansoori added that the Zayed Higher Organisation for People of Determination tailors its programmes to each individual, designing specialised training plans and organising workplace visits to ensure tasks are performed independently and are suited to the nature of each person's condition.

Internationally, the organisation has delivered several sessions of the Bridges of Hope programme for mothers, guardians and families of People of Determination with intellectual disabilities and autism spectrum disorder in the Arab Republic of Egypt.

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## Admsc to host water sport championships in April 2025

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Abu Dhabi Marine Sports Club (ADMSC) will host five modern and heritage water sport championships in April 2025, with more than 1,000 athletes expected to participate. These events form part of the club's annual calendar, attracting elite athletes from the UAE and beyond.

The championships will kick off with the UAE Flyboard Championship on April 11, followed by the opening round of the UAE International Aquabike Championship on April 12. On April 18, the third round of the Dhow Sailing Race (22ft) will take place, celebrating the UAE's maritime heritage. From April 25 to 27, the opening round of the WakeFest Championship will bring together top wakeboarding talents, while the

Abu Dhabi Marine Sports Club's water sport championships in April 2025 will feature both modern international races that highlight the talents of global professional athletes and heritage tournaments that attract the UAE's masters and sailors, reinforcing national identity

ADMSC Sailing Race will conclude the events on April 26.

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**Pfizer's** new research and development centre in Beijing is the company's 3rd R&D centre in China

# Pfizer launches research and development centre in Beijing

The facility aims to enhance its existing drug development network in China by integrating into the company's global early-stage clinical trials

BEIJING / WAM

US pharmaceutical giant Pfizer's new research and development (R&D) centre officially opened at BioPark in the Beijing Economic-Technological Development Area (BDA).

As the company's third R&D centre in China, the new facility aims to enhance its existing drug development network in the country, integrating China into Pfizer's global early-stage clinical trials and all pivotal phase III studies.

With China's population aging, the demand for innovative drugs and vaccines is expected to grow, said Michael Corbo, senior vice-president of the company.

He added that the R&D centre in Beijing aims to accelerate the global simultaneous development of innovative drugs, benefiting patients worldwide, including those in China.

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\$2.5 billion in Beijing over the next five years, demonstrating confidence in the capital's world-class life sciences innovation ecosystem. Likewise, medical tech firm Medtronic also launched a digital healthcare innovation base at BioPark, its first in China.

To date, nearly 5,000 medical and healthcare companies have gathered in the BDA, including multinational pharmaceutical giants such as Eli Lilly, Pfizer, Bayer, AstraZeneca and Medtronic.

# SpaceX launches 28 new Starlink satellites into space

WASHINGTON / WAM

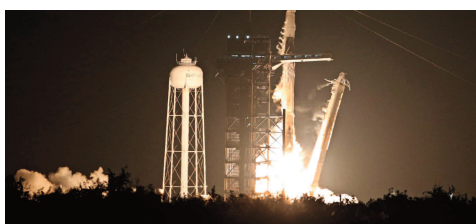
SpaceX launched another batch of its Starlink internet satellites from Florida's Space Coast. A Falcon 9 rocket carrying 28 Starlink spacecraft lifted off from Cape Canaveral Space Force Station on March 31.

To plan, the Falcon 9's first stage came back to Earth about eight minutes after liftoff. It touched down on the Just Read the Instructions dronship sta-

tioned in the Atlantic Ocean.

It was the 17th launch and landing for this particular booster, which had flown 10 previous Starlink missions, according to a SpaceX mission description.

Starlink is the largest satellite constellation ever deployed — and it's continuously growing, as the latest launch demonstrated. There are currently more than 7,100 active Starlink spacecraft in Low Earth orbit (LEO).



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# Indian diaspora ranked world's biggest at 35.4mn

NEW DELHI / WAM

The world's largest diaspora is now made up of Indians at 35.4 million globally, the Minister of State for External Affairs, Pabitra Margherita, has said.

This figure constitutes 15.9 million Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) and 19.5 million Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), the minister said in a written answer placed on the table of Lok Sabha, the lower House of Parliament.

NRIs are Indian passport-holders, who are employed abroad or doing business overseas, the majority of them in the Gulf region. PIOs are Indians who have renounced their Indian citizenship and are naturalised as citizens of another country.

Margherita was asked by Members of Parliament to furnish details of the "role played by the Indian diaspora in fostering economic and cultural connections between India and the regions across the world."

He said in reply that in recent years, the Indian government had brought about a "transformational change" in its engagement with the Indian diaspora.

"The 35.4 million-strong Overseas Indian community is an invaluable partner in the progress of



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India. The Indian diaspora bolsters economic and cultural connections, among others, by significantly contributing through remittances, trade, investments, cultural exchanges, transfer of expertise and knowledge thereby acting as a bridge to further India's growth," the minister said.

"A successful, prosperous, and influential diaspora is an asset. India stands to gain a lot from tapping its diaspora networks and productive utilisation of the soft power that comes from having such a flourishing diaspora," Margherita's reply concluded.

# Korea's exports rise 3.1% on-year to \$58.3b in March driven by demand

SEOUL / WAM

The Republic of Korea's exports gained 3.1 percent from a year earlier in March, marking a second consecutive month of increase, driven by robust demand for semiconductors, data showed on Tuesday.

Yonhap News Agency quoted data compiled by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy as saying that outbound shipments came to \$58.3 billion last month, compared with \$56.5 billion the previous year.

Imports rose 2.3 percent on-year

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**Invitation to attend the Annual General Assembly Meeting of Methaq Takaful Insurance Company (Public Joint-Stock Company)**

The Board of Directors of Methaq Takaful Insurance Company (PJSC) has the honor to invite the shareholders to attend the annual General Assembly meeting either through electronic attendance, which includes real-time visual communication, or by attending in person at the company's headquarters in Abu Dhabi, ADNEC, Liwa Tower, Mezzanine at 10:00 AM on Thursday 24/04/2025 to consider the following agenda:

1. Election of members of the Board of Directors, for the term (2025-2028).

#### Notes:

1. Assembly meetings shall be held at the company's headquarters on the day and hour specified in the shareholder's invitation in the presence of Board of Directors, the Registrar, the Company Secretary, Vote Collector and the Shareholders.
2. Shareholders can vote on the resolutions through the electronic link [www.smartagm.ae](http://www.smartagm.ae).
3. A corporate person may delegate one of its representatives or those in charge of its management under a decision of its Board of Directors or its authorized deputy to represent such corporate person in the General Assembly of the Company. The delegated person shall have the powers as determined under the delegation decision.
4. Shareholders registered in the Shareholders Register on Wednesday 23/04/2025 shall be entitled to vote in the General Assembly meeting.
5. The meeting of the General Assembly shall not be valid unless attended by shareholders who hold or represent by proxy at least (50%) of the Company's share capital. If this quorum for the meeting is not available in the first meeting, the second meeting shall be convened on 29/04/2025 at the same place and time.
6. In accordance with the decision of the Securities and Commodities Authority, shareholders of Methaq Takaful Insurance PJSC must register their attendance and vote on the General Assembly agenda electronically. Registration for electronic voting will open at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, 23/04/2025, and will close at 9:00 AM on Thursday, 24/04/2025. To register your attendance electronically, please click on [www.smartagm.ae](http://www.smartagm.ae).
7. Registration for the General Assembly meeting will begin at the headquarters of Methaq Takaful Insurance Company in Abu Dhabi - ADNEC - Liwa Tower - Mezzanine, on Thursday 24/04/2025 at 8:00 AM and registration will close at 9:30 AM.
8. Any proxy holders must submit the proxies along with Emirates ID and any supporting documents to FAB bank (Arranger) so that only those who have completed registration are allowed to join the meeting.
9. You can view the guide on investor rights in securities, which is available on the main page of the SCA official website, according to the following link: <https://www.sca.gov.ae/ar/services/minority-investor-protection.aspx>

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**Methaq Takaful Insurance Company (Public Joint-Stock Company)**

**Announcement Regarding the Opening of Nominations for Board Membership**

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the opening of nominations for membership in the company's Board of Directors. Nominations will be accepted from Monday, April 1, 2025, to Wednesday, April 10, 2025. Any individual or shareholder who meets the eligibility criteria for Board membership may nominate themselves by submitting an application to the company's management at its headquarters located in the Exhibition Area, Abu Dhabi. The application must include a brief biography of the nominee and the type of membership they wish to be nominated for (Executive Member, Non-Executive Member, Independent Member).

#### General Conditions:

1. The number of members to be elected to the Board of Directors is nine (9).
2. The nomination period will remain open for ten (10) days from the date of this announcement, in accordance with the requirements of Article (9) of Chairman of the Board of Directors Resolution No. (3/R.M) of 2020 regarding the approval of the Corporate Governance Guide for Public Joint Stock Companies and its amendments from time to time.
3. Those nominating themselves for Board membership must meet the criteria set forth in Federal Law No. (2) of 2015 on Commercial Companies, Chairman of the Board of Directors Resolution No. (3/R.M) of 2020 regarding the approval of the Corporate Governance Guide for Public Joint Stock Companies, the Corporate Governance Standards for Insurance Companies issued by the UAE Central Bank under Circular No. 24/2022, and the company's Articles of Association, as amended from time to time.
4. The application for nomination must include the documents specified in Article (10) of Chairman of the Board of Directors Resolution No. (3/R.M) of 2020 and its amendments from time to time.
5. Candidates are not allowed to waive his candidacy in favor of another person after the nomination period has closed.
6. The company will publish the names of the candidates and their nomination details on the company's noticeboard at its headquarters and on the company's website ([www.methaq.ae](http://www.methaq.ae)) on April 22, 2025.
7. The list of nominated candidates will also be submitted to the Securities and Commodities Authority and the stock exchange after the closure of the nomination period.



SEHA Abu Dhabi Dialysis Centre is located at Zayed The First Street, Abu Dhabi

# PureHealth, Seha partner with Ma'an to open dialysis centre in Abu Dhabi

The centre provides vital care for the emirate's residents living with kidney failure, ensuring greater access to essential care and improving health outcomes across the community

ABU DHABI / AD MEDIA OFFICE

The Authority of Social Contribution - Ma'an, in partnership with PureHealth and its subsidiary SEHA, have opened SEHA Abu Dhabi Dialysis Centre, which comes in partnership with Mohammed Abdulrahman Al Bahar Company as a community contribution.

SEHA Abu Dhabi Dialysis Centre provides vital care for Abu Dhabi residents living with kidney failure, ensuring greater access to essential care and improving health outcomes across the community.

The Authority of Social Contribution - Ma'an will allocate community contributions towards this centre as part of its efforts to support social initiatives aimed at addressing pressing social priorities in Abu Dhabi. This step is part of the authority's recently launched From The Community To The Community initiative, and in line with the aspirations of the UAE's Year of Community.

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care teams, the centre provides free dialysis care for those living with kidney failure, ensuring essential care is available to all of those who need it.

His Excellency Abdullah Humaid Al Ameri, Director General, the Authority of Social Contribution - Ma'an, said: "We are thankful to all contributors for their invaluable efforts and support in the opening of the SEHA Abu Dhabi Dialysis Centre, which is crucial for the survival of renal patients. The centre comes as part of our From the Community to the Community initiative in which we support collective community effort, emphasising on the



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—AD MEDIA OFFICE

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**Abdullah Humaid Al Ameri**, Director General, the Authority of Social Contribution - Ma'an

driving meaningful impact and improving lives.”

Located at Zayed The First Street, the centre will initially accommodate 112 patients undergoing dialysis three times a week. SEHA plans to expand the facility to serve an additional 56 patients and offer peritoneal dialysis in the future.

The centre is staffed by SEHA Kidney Care professionals and equipped with advanced hemodiafiltration machines integrated with electronic medical records, enabling real-time monitoring and data analytics to enhance patient care.

power of a unified community in achieving long-term social impact. This centre aligns with the authority's commitment to enhancing access to essential healthcare, ultimately improving the wellbeing of the community members in Abu Dhabi.”

The centre has already fostered community engagement and participation through initiatives such as the one from the Department of Municipalities and Transport (DMT), bringing together renowned artists, including: Ghaiath Al Rouba, Nadeem Ka, Charlie VilaGracia, and Christian Ray.

Each artist contributed 40 hours of their time to create vibrant murals, enriching the healing experience for patients.

Saeed Jaber Al Kuwaiti, Group CEO of SEHA, said: "SEHA is committed to delivering world-class care and ensuring that essential healthcare services are accessible to those

in need, in line with the Year of Community. As part of PureHealth, we play a key role in enabling this centre, providing the facility and expertise to support our community. This initiative is a testament to the power of collaboration with the Authority of Social Contribution - Ma'an and PureHealth,

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شركة أبوظبي الوطنية للمواد البناية  
ABU DHABI NATIONAL CO. FOR BUILDING MATERIALS

## Invitation to attend the annual general assembly meeting Of

### Abu Dhabi National Company for Building Materials - Bildco (Public Joint Stock Company)

The Board of Directors of Abu Dhabi National Company for Building Materials - Bildco (PJSC) is honored to invite shareholders to attend the Annual General Assembly Meeting in person at the company's headquarters on Salam Street, Tourist Club Area, Abu Dhabi, and electronically/remotely, at 2:00 PM on Friday, April 25, 2025, to consider the following agenda:

#### General Assembly Agenda:

- To hear and approve the Board of Directors' report on the company's activities and financial position for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.
- To hear and approve the auditor's report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.
- To discuss and approve the company's budget and profit and loss account for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024.
- Consider the Board of Directors' proposals regarding not distributing dividends, whether cash dividends or bonus shares.
- Discharge the Board of Directors from liability for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, or not discharge, dismiss them, and file a liability lawsuit against them, as applicable.
- Approve the Board of Directors' remuneration policy for dividend distribution, and the proposal to pay a compensation to Board members equal to 10% of realized profits.
- Discharge the auditors from liability for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, or not discharge them, dismiss them, and file a liability lawsuit against them, as applicable.
- Appoint the auditors and determine their fees.
- Approve the appointment of shareholder representatives and determine their fees.

#### Topics requiring a special resolution:

- Examining the company's continuity in conducting its business or its dissolution before the specified term, in accordance with the requirements of Article (309) of Federal Law No. (32) of 2021 concerning Commercial Companies.
- Approval of contracts for the sale of equipment for the Bildco Steel Industries Factory, approval of the dissolution of the company's operations, and approval of all capital expenditures for the establishment of the factory.
- Approval of the company's purchase of 5% of its shares as treasury shares.

#### Notes:

- In accordance with the directives of the Securities and Commodities Authority, the company's shareholders must register their attendance and vote on the General Assembly's agenda electronically. Registration opens on Friday, April 18, 2025, at 2:00 PM, and closes on Friday, April 25, 2025, at 10:00 AM. To register electronically, please visit: <https://www.smartagm.ae>
- Authorization holders can register through (<https://www.smartagm.ae>), fill out the authorization form, and upload it along with the supporting documents once registration opens.
- Anyone entitled to attend the General Assembly may delegate a representative of their choice, other than a member of the Board of Directors, the company's employees, or its brokerage firm, by virtue of a special written power of attorney. The authorization for a number of shareholders must not hold more than (5%) five percent of the company's capital in this capacity. Those with limited or no legal capacity are represented by their legal representatives. (Provided that the requirements contained in Clauses 1 and 2 of Article No. (40) of the Chairman of the Board of Directors' Decision No. (3/R.M) of 2020 regarding the approval of the Governance Guide for Public Joint Stock Companies are taken into account.) You can view the disclosure published on the company's page on the electronic market website regarding the procedures required to approve the proxy.
- A legal person may authorize one of its representatives or those in charge of its management, pursuant to a resolution of its Board of Directors or its representative, to represent it in the company's general assembly. The authorized person shall have the powers stipulated in the authorization resolution.
- The owner of the share registered on Thursday, April 24, 2025, shall have the right to vote in the general assembly.
- Shareholders may view the company's financial statements, governance report, and sustainability report (integrated report) through the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange website [www.adx.ae](http://www.adx.ae) and the company's website [www.bildco.ae](http://www.bildco.ae).
- The General Assembly meeting shall not be valid unless attended by shareholders who own or represent by authorization at least (50%) of the company's capital. If this quorum is not present at the first meeting, a second meeting shall be held on 30/04/2025 at the same place and time. (The second meeting shall be held no less than (5) five days and no more than (15) fifteen days from the date of the first meeting. The adjourned meeting shall be considered valid regardless of the number of attendees.)
- Special Resolution: A resolution issued by a majority vote of shareholders who own at least three-quarters of the shares represented at the general assembly meeting of a joint stock company. (This clause shall be added if there are any issues requiring a special resolution.)
- You may review the Guide to Investor Rights in Securities, available on the home page of the Authority's official website, at the following link: <https://www.sca.gov.ae/ar/regulations/minority-investor-protection.aspx>

#### Instructions for registering, attending, and voting electronically for the meeting:

- An invitation will be sent via SMS and email to those registered in the shareholders' register, containing a registration link, on Friday, April 18, 2025, at 3:00 PM.
- After verifying the registration data, the login data will be sent one day before the meeting, including the meeting link, as well as the username and password, to the approved shareholders and authorized persons via SMS and email to the addresses registered in the registration form.
- For any inquiries related to registration, attendance, and electronic voting, please read the instructions available on the Smart Portal for General Assemblies (<https://www.smartagm.ae>) or through the support means available on the Smart Portal or contact the company by email at [m.hamtu@bildco.ae](mailto:m.hamtu@bildco.ae)





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## RAS AL KHAIMAH Art 2025 Festival concludes with resounding success, paving the way for 'Civilizations' in 2026



RAS AL KHAIMAH / GULF TIME

The Ras Al Khaimah Art 2025 Festival concluded on a triumphant note, reaffirming its position as a premier cultural and artistic platform in the region. With an impressive turnout of over 39,000 visitors, the festival showcased a stunning collection of 190 artworks by over 100 artists from 31 nationalities. An immersive program of 21 workshops, a diverse marketplace of over 40 vendors, and the participation of seven diplomatic missions further enriched the experience, celebrating art as a universal language of connection.

The festival's Art Exploration Program saw remarkable engagement, with 2,662 students from 80 schools participating in 85 workshops over 20 days, nurturing young creative minds and fostering a deeper appreciation for artistic expression.

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### RAS AL KHAIMAH ART 2026 FESTIVAL: 'CIVILIZATIONS'—A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME AND CULTURE

Following this success, Ras Al Khaimah Art 2026 Festival unveils its new theme: 'Civilizations', a tribute to the evolution of cultures and the creative legacies they leave behind. From the ancient trade routes that once connected Ras Al Khaimah to the world to the modern digital landscapes shaping artistic narratives today, the 2026 festival will explore the dynamic interplay of civilizations and their influence on art.

Through curated exhibitions, live performances, immersive installa-

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tions, and interactive experiences, the festival will present art as a living dialogue between the past, present, and future — where histories merge, cultures interact, and creativity flourishes.

### OPEN CALL FOR ARTISTS, FILMMAKERS, AND CREATIVES

With a commitment to nurturing and promoting global artistic exchange, the festival invites artists, filmmakers, and creatives from around the world to participate in its open call from April 1 to May 31 2025. The open call includes the prestigious Film Grant and Art Resi-

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ency, offering selected participants an opportunity to develop and showcase their work at the festival.

### INVITATION TO DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS: STRENGTHENING CULTURAL DIPLOMACY

Building on the success of 2025, the festival extends a special invitation to

diplomatic missions worldwide to participate in this extraordinary artistic and cultural celebration. The previous edition witnessed active engagement from seven diplomatic missions — United Kingdom, Netherlands, Germany, United States, China, Japan, and Brazil— each contributing to a diverse and enriching exchange of artistic per-

spectives.

The festival offers a unique platform to highlight their cultural heritage, collaborate with international artists, and foster dialogue through exhibitions, performances, and film screenings. With the 2026 theme, diplomatic mis-

sions are encouraged to explore the artistic roots of their nations and showcase the ways in which their cultures have influenced global creativity.

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For more details, visit <https://www.rakart.ae/2026-festival> and follow the festival on social media for the latest updates.