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# DRIVING THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORT AND GLOBAL CONNECTIVITY

Global Rail 2025 reinforced its position as the leading platform for the rail, transport, and mobility sector, driving international collaboration and innovation across the global transport ecosystem.

Held under the Patronage of H.H. Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Vice President, Deputy Prime Minister, and Chairman of the Presidential Court, and hosted by Etihad Rail, the UAE's national rail developer, the event took place at ADNEC Centre Abu Dhabi from 30 September to 2 October 2025, with the support of H.H. Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Chairman of the Presidential Court for Development and Fallen Heroes' Affairs and Chairman of Etihad Rail.

Across three days, Global Rail 2025 convened **11,606 attendees**, **225 exhibiting** companies, brands, and media (including 157 international exhibitors), 210 strategic, technical, and youth circle speakers, and **856 delegates** from **99 countries**. The event also welcomed **24 ministerial delegations** and **420 CEOs** and industry leaders.

## GLOBAL RAIL 2025 IN NUMBERS

**11,606**
Total Attendees

**856**
Conference Delegates

**225**
Exhibiting Companies

**210**
Visionary Speakers

**99**
Participating Countries

**24**
Ministerial Delegations

Global Rail 2025 reflects the UAE's growing role as a trusted international platform for dialogue and cooperation in the global transport sector. It provides numerous opportunities for decision-makers and industry leaders from around the world to exchange expertise, strengthen partnerships, and explore innovative solutions to advance the future of transport and infrastructure.

With innovation at its core, this global and national priority drives success across all sectors, including railways, and enables the UAE to continue building bridges of collaboration and innovation with nations worldwide.

**H.H. Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan**
Chairman
Etihad Rail

# OPENING CEREMONY

The Opening Ceremony was inaugurated by **H.H. Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan**, Chairman of Etihad Rail. The ceremony featured keynote addresses from **H.E. Mohammed Ali Al Shorafa,** Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Department of Municipalities and Transport (DMT), **H.E. Shadi Malak,** Chief Executive Officer of Etihad Rail, and highlighting the nation's continued leadership in advancing sustainable transport infrastructure and international collaboration.

The Opening Ceremony culminated in an exceptional **Ministerial Panel** that brought together six transport ministers united in vision and purpose. Embedded within the ceremony itself, this high-level dialogue marked a turning point for the event, elevating its global stature and reinforcing its strategic relevance. The panel sent a clear message: the region is aligned and ready to accelerate the development of integrated, sustainable infrastructure. This landmark moment set the tone for three days of transformative dialogue, international collaboration, and innovation across the entire transport, logistics, and mobility ecosystem.

Keynote Speech
**H.E. Mohammed Ali Al Shorafa**
Chairman
**Abu Dhabi Department of Municipalities and Transport (DMT)**

Keynote Speech
**H.E. Shadi Malak**
Chief Executive Officer
**Etihad Rail**

Ministerial Panel
**H.E. Suhail Mohamed Al Mazrouei**
Minister of Energy
**and Infrastructure**
**UAE**

Ministerial Panel
**H.E. Lieutenant General Engineer Kamel Al Wazir**
Deputy Prime Minister for Industrial Affairs and Egyptian Minister of Industry and Transport
**The Arab Republic of Egypt**

Ministerial Panel
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Minister of Transport and Logistics Services
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Minister of Transport & Telecommunications
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Ministerial Panel
**H.E. H.E. Nidal Al Qatamin**
Minister of Transport
**Jordan**

Ministerial Panel
**H.E. Razzaq Muhaibas Al - Saadawi**
Minister of Transport
**Iraq**

> We have overcome major challenges in building a mega network, including 18 commercial ports on the Red Sea and the Mediterranean Sea with significant depths, enabling seamless connections with Jeddah Port in Saudi Arabia to the east, Aqaba Port, and ports across Africa.

**H.E. Lieutenant General Engineer Kamel Al Wazir**
Deputy Prime Minister for Industrial Affairs and
Egyptian Minister of Industry and Transport
The Arab Republic of Egypt

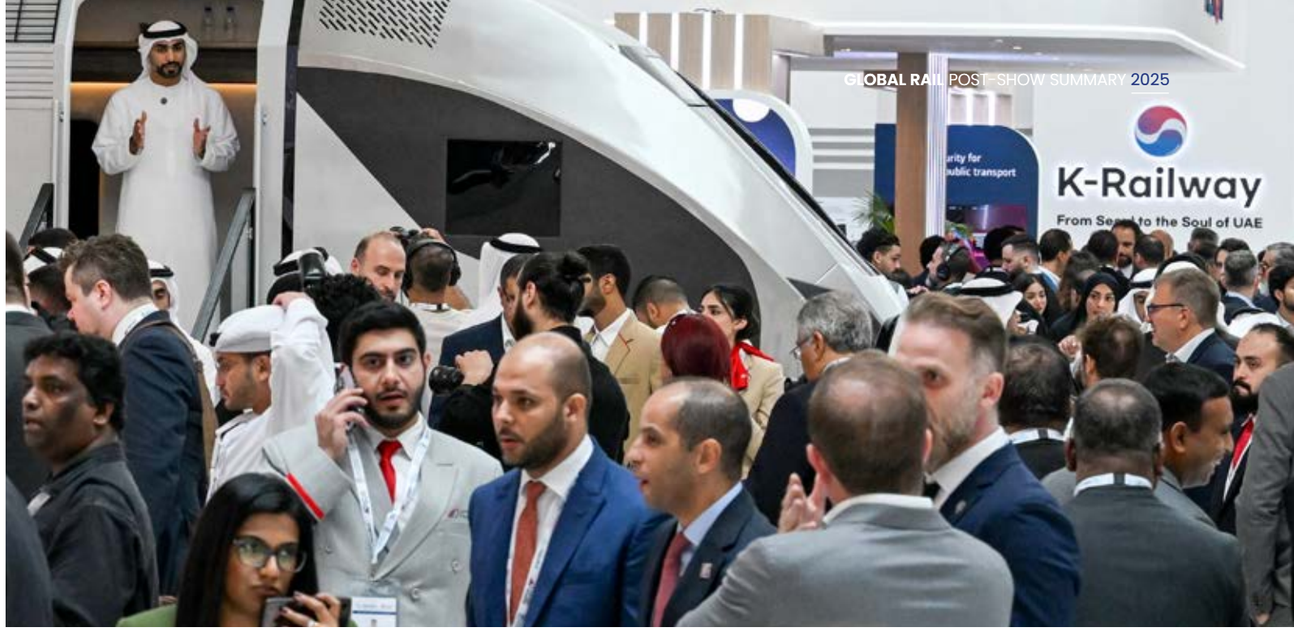
# ABOUT THE EXHIBITION

Continues to scale new heights, bringing together over **225 exhibitors** and **11,606 attendees** and buyers from **99 countries**. With a **46% increase** in exhibiting brands compared to last year, the event showcased cutting-edge solutions across transport, logistics, and mobility, reinforcing its role as the region's most influential platform for rail innovation and investment. From national operators to OEMs and engineering giants, the exhibition reflected the whole sector's growing appetite for collaboration, transformation, and sustainable growth.

**9 Country Pavilions** — three more than last year — showcased national priorities and investment opportunities from across the globe. Dedicated zones such as the **International Projects Pavilion, Finance Pavilion, and Innovation Hub** created powerful touchpoints for participants to engage with live tenders, connect with financiers, and explore emerging technologies, reinforcing Global Rail's role as a catalyst for international business and infrastructure development.

## COUNTRY PAVILIONS

United Kingdom
Germany
Austria
Spain
South Korea
India
Jordan
Poland
Qatar




A new era of possibilities for growth and diversification unveiling solutions in:

- Air, Ports, Rail operators
- Rolling stock
- Infrastructure and construction
- Security and safety
- Signaling and control
- Predictive maintenance
- Consulting and engineering
- Mobility as a Service (MaaS)
- Hydrogen & electric propulsion systems
- Logistics & freight mobility
- AI, technology and digitization
- Urban and multimodal integration
- Smart mobility
- Traffic management
- Sustainable mobility & infrastructure
- Passenger experience
- Digital twin & sims
- Public smart transit

## 11 MOUs SIGNED AT GLOBAL RAIL 2025

**ETIHAD RAIL WITH:**

- Keolis
- Mermec
- RITES LLC
- Ministry of Energy & Infrastructure, UAE
- TAMM
- Ministry of Railway Transport of Turkmenistan
- MASDAR
- Abu Dhabi Customs, Fujairah Customs, Abu Dhabi Ports Group, Fujairah Terminals, and Noatum Logistics
- Yango
- Dubai Taxi Company
- VIA and United Trans

# CONNECTING THE TRANSPORT INDUSTRY WITH 225 EXHIBITORS

## 16
National Operators

## 8
Logistics Leaders

## 7
Rolling Stock Manufacturers

## 22
Infrastructure, Construction, Tunnelling

## 32
Global OEMs

## 36
Engineering & Consulting

The information presented is trusted to be accurate as of 2 October 2025

**8**
Finance Institutions

**29**
Technology Solutions provider

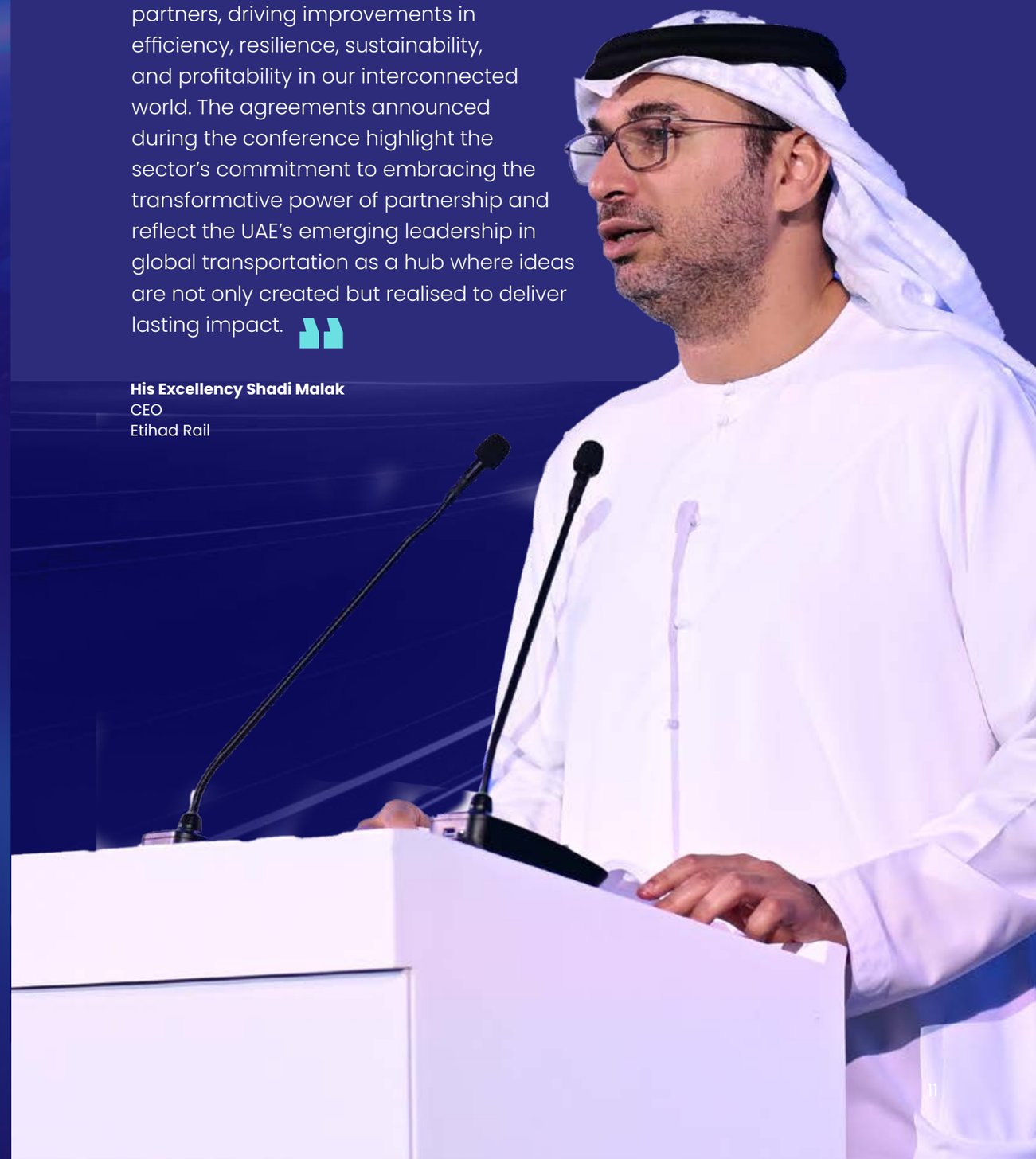
**28**
Government Entities and Associations

**21**
Transport Material & Solutions provider

The information presented is trusted to be accurate as of 2 October 2025

> Global Rail 2025 serves as a vital platform for bringing together rail ecosystem partners, driving improvements in efficiency, resilience, sustainability, and profitability in our interconnected world. The agreements announced during the conference highlight the sector's commitment to embracing the transformative power of partnership and reflect the UAE's emerging leadership in global transportation as a hub where ideas are not only created but realised to deliver lasting impact.

**His Excellency Shadi Malak**
CEO
Etihad Rail



# A TRULY GLOBAL AUDIENCE

Where over 99 countries across the globe unite through transport.

Global Rail brought the world of transport to Abu Dhabi, including C-suite executives, industry leaders, and government officials. The event reinforced the UAE's position as a global hub for transport, logistics, and trade, showcasing innovations in rail, mobility, engineering, and infrastructure, from AI driven technologies to sustainable solutions. With record international participation, Global Rail 2025 served as a premier platform for knowledge exchange, collaboration, investment, and cross-border connectivity across the transport ecosystem.

## VISITORS BY REGION

## BUYERS AND ATTENDEES BUSINESS PROFILE

**16%** Engineering

**12%** Consultancy

**10%** Building and Construction

**6%** Rail Operator

**6%** Logistics

**6%** Operation and Maintenance

**5%** Smart Mobility

**5%** Rolling Stock & Components

**4%** Transport Technology Provider (ITS)

**4%** Sustainable Transport Solution Provider

## ATTENDEES SENIORITY BREAKDOWN

| | |
|---|---|
| 22% | C-level, Chairman, Partner, Owners |
| 47% | Director, VP, Heads of Departments |
| 25% | Senior Managers, Managers |
| 6% | Government Officials & Others |

## VISITOR FEEDBACK HIGHLIGHTS

**94%** Rated Global Rail important for their business.

**94%** Were satisfied with the quality of exhibitors.

**92%** Are likely to return for the next edition.

**85%** Said Global Rail helped them find new partners and suppliers.

# EXHIBITION AREAS UNLOCKING NEW BUSINESS VENTURES

## International Projects Pavilion

The **International Projects Pavilion** offered unparalleled access to high-value investment and collaboration opportunities, with delegations from **8 countries** unveiling national transport and mobility projects collectively valued at an impressive **$45 billion**. This dynamic platform empowered participants to connect directly with decision-makers, explore transformative ventures, and forge strategic partnerships shaping the future of global mobility.

Nations looking to hold critical conversations on upcoming transport projects shared the limelight. Private discussions addressed financing and investment strategies, sustainable capital allocation, and the acceleration of key projects towards actionable next steps to steer interests in rail, driving economic growth and fostering inclusive prosperity.

Countries participating as part of the International Projects Pavilion:

Afghanistan

Chad

Kenya

South Sudan

Uganda

Uzbekistan

Paraguay

Turkmenistan

# CONNECTING PROJECT DEVELOPERS WITH FINANCIERS

## Finance Pavilion

The Finance Pavilion connected participants with **8 leading financiers and investment leaders,** including Finance & Investment Leader, FAB Bank, and Lanyard Sponsor, Emirates NBD. It served as a dedicated platform for in-depth discussions on innovative financing models, public-private partnerships, and investment frameworks driving the future of rail and integrated transport systems. Through a series of curated meetings and expert-led sessions, stakeholders discussed de-risking, faster funding, and investment in sustainable transport.

The Pavilion highlighted the critical role of finance in advancing regional connectivity and enabling the transition to greener, more resilient mobility networks. Acting as a bridge between financial expertise and infrastructure development.

Companies participating as part of the Finance Pavilion:

FAB First Abu Dhabi Bank

بنك الإمارات دبي الوطني Emirates NBD

ICBC

EULER HERMES

KFW IPEX-Bank

QKB

AIIB

UK Export Finance

# INNOVATION AT THE FOREFRONT: SHAPING TOMORROWS SOLUTIONS

## Innovation Hub

The Innovation Hub featured **25 trailblazing companies** showcasing next-generation transport and mobility technologies and sustainable practices. From digital solutions to smart infrastructure, the Hub served as a focal point for groundbreaking advancements redefining how people and goods move across regions. Exhibitors presented cutting-edge applications in automation, AI-driven transport systems, and connected mobility.

Live demonstrations and interactive displays allowed visitors to experience the latest technologies driving operational excellence, safety, and environmental performance. The Hub underscored the industry's rapid transformation and the growing commitment to innovation as a catalyst for sustainable and inclusive growth in the global mobility landscape.

Participating Innovators

Spotlighting pioneering digital transformations and the impact of smart and sustainable infrastructure, the Innovation Hub acted as a window into a disruptive, smart era of mobility.

## Innovation Awards

With 242 submissions, the Innovation Awards underscored Etihad Rail's commitment to industry advancement and collaboration. The programme celebrated groundbreaking ideas shaping the future of mobility, recognising projects that push the boundaries of efficiency, safety, and sustainability across the rail and transport ecosystem.

Three winners were awarded grants of AED 1 million each to accelerate the development and implementation of their solutions. The following innovators were recognised for their outstanding contributions:

**SBS Transit (Singapore)** – Leveraging advanced AI to make sign language more accessible on public transport, improving inclusivity for passengers with hearing impairments.

**Future Maintenance Technologies (Australia)** – Delivering robotic solutions for rolling stock inspection, enhancing worker safety and enabling predictive maintenance.

**TRE ALTAMIRA (Italy)** – Using satellite monitoring to detect early warning signs of infrastructure stress, improving safety and reducing surveying costs.

**SBS Transit**
(Singapore)

**Future Maintenance Technologies**
(Australia)

**TRE ALTAMIRA**
(Italy)

# BEYOND THE EXHIBITION FLOOR: ACCELERATING PARTNERSHIPS

## Leadership Roundtable

The exclusive, invite-only leadership finance roundtable, sponsored by **DENTONS**, convened CEOs and senior leaders for a closed-door dialogue on transport infrastructure financing. The session covered funding models, risk management, regulatory frameworks, and sustainability strategies, while enabling knowledge exchange and fostering collaboration across the sector.

Discussions spanned the full lifecycle of project funding—from early-stage planning and risk allocation to long-term financing and refinancing strategies.

> By moving freight from road to rail, we're reducing emissions, easing congestion, and aligning with Oman's Vision 2040 and the UAE's Net Zero 2050 Strategy. In doing so, we're enabling SME's, empowering youth in both nations and building lasting careers in our communities. This journey was never easy, but all was purposeful, guided by leaders, powered by teams, and enriched by individuals who believed in something greater than themselves.
>
> **Ahmed Almusawa Alhashemi**
> Chairman
> Global Rail Executive Committee

## Networking Lounge

The Networking Lounge hosted hundreds of distinguished participants, including Ministers, VIPs, and speakers. Hosted in Conference Hall B, the Networking lounge provided an exclusive environment to network, exchange ideas, and strengthen high-level connections across the leaders, decision-makers in the transport and mobility sectors.

# FUTURE LEADERS IN MOTION: YOUTH DRIVING INNOVATION

## Youth Circle

The Youth Circle at Global Rail 2025 brought together **123 young professionals and students** from across the transport sector. Through workshops, discussions and networking sessions, it fostered collaboration, knowledge exchange and fresh perspectives to inspire the next generation shaping a sustainable and connected mobility future.

### Youth Circle Speakers

MODERATOR

**Noura Albadi**
International Business Development Specialist
Etihad Rail
Abu Dhabi Youth Council

**H.E. Khaled Al Nuaimi**
Director General
**Federal Youth Authority**

**H.E. Dr. Yasir El Naqbi**
Director General
**Government Academy**
**Department of Government Enablement**

**Azza Al Suwaidi**
Deputy CEO
**Etihad Rail – Mobility**

**Mohammed Al Kamali**
Chief
**Trade & Industry**

## Youth Hackathon

Over two days, **50 UAE university students** and recent graduates came together to design and prototype bold solutions shaping the future of rail. Participants received mentorship from leading industry experts, gained hands-on experience through collaborative workshops, and presented their ideas before a panel of senior judges. The initiative served as a dynamic platform to nurture young talent, encourage innovation, and bridge academia with real-world industry challenges.

After an inspiring showcase of creativity and technical excellence, three teams emerged as winners. **RAILOVATORS** claimed first place for their visionary approach to enhancing rail efficiency and passenger experience. **NEXT STOP** secured second place with their innovative mobility concept integrating smart technology and sustainability. **TRAIN STORMERS** took third place for their practical and scalable solution addressing operational safety and maintenance.

**RAILOVATORS**

**NEXT STOP**

**TRAIN STORMERS**

# CONFERENCES OVERVIEW

Global Rail 2025 marked a transformative moment for the industry, bringing together an unprecedented assembly of ministers, CEOs, policymakers, and innovators —featuring **two Ministerial Panels** and ten transport ministers— firmly positioning the event as a global powerhouse for transport and mobility leadership.

The event featured **two dynamic conferences** running concurrently: the **Strategic Conference,** focused on policy, investment, and leadership; and the **Technical Conference,** showcasing engineering excellence, cutting-edge innovation, and operational best practices. This dual-track format enriched the experience for attendees, offering tailored insights across the full spectrum of the transport value chain.

Over **three days,** more than **210 speakers** — from regulators and operators to financiers, engineers, and tech pioneers — shared bold strategies and actionable insights to drive progress.
From resilient infrastructure and sustainable financing models to AI-powered mobility and high-speed networks, the conference spotlighted the solutions shaping a smarter, more connected, and sustainable future for global transport.

## CONFERENCES IN NUMBERS

**856**
Conference Delegates

**210**
Visionary Speakers

**10**
Ministerial Panelists

**55**
Technical Conference Presentations

**46**
Strategic Conference Sessions

> Infrastructure and economic prosperity go hand in hand. For a country like Pakistan, with a population of 240 million, we have made major strides over the past 15 years—building over 2,400 km of motorways that connect our provinces and drive economic activity. Similarly, in the energy sector, we have overcome significant challenges, moving from 12 to 18 hours of daily load-shedding in 2013 to a more stable and efficient transmission network today.

**H.E. Bilal Azhar Kayani**
Minister of State for Railways, Finance and Head of PMDU
Pakistan

# STRATEGIC CONFERENCE

The Strategic Conference convened ministers, CEOs, financiers, and operators to address the pressing priorities shaping global transport. Discussions focused on building resilient infrastructure, financing major projects, and accelerating integration across rail, ports, and logistics. With themes spanning smart mobility, high-speed networks, AI and automation, and cross-border connectivity, the programme offered actionable insights into the policies, partnerships, and investment strategies driving sustainable growth.

By bridging innovation with implementation, the Strategic Conference provided a platform for leaders to chart the future of transport and unlock opportunities across the global mobility ecosystem.

## STRATEGIC CONFERENCE IN NUMBERS

**139**
Visionary Speakers

**62**
CEO Speakers

**14**
Strategic Conference Themes

**3**
Day Conference

## STRATEGIC CONFERENCE THEMES

- Intermodal Connectivity
- Smart Mobility
- AI and Automation
- Infrastructure Resilience
- Policy and Governance
- Sustainable Financing
- High-speed Project Delivery
- Smart Cities
- Electrification
- Rail - port Synergies
- Integrated Transport Systems
- First - last mile Solutions
- Interoperability and Cross Border Development
- Safety and Security

# GLOBAL MINISTERS, CEOS AND INDUSTRY THOUGHT LEADERS

**H.E. Suhail Mohamed Al Mazrouei**
Minister of Energy and Infrastructure
**UAE**

**H.E. Dr. Thani Bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi**
Minister of Foreign Trade
**UAE**

**H.E. Saleh bin Nasser Al-Jasser**
Minister of Transport and Logistics Services
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Minister of Transport
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**H.E. Razzaq Muhaibas Al - Saadawi**
Minister of Transport
**Iraq**

**H.E Hon. Fred Byamukama**
State Minister for Transport
**Uganda**

**H.E. Davit Khudatyan**
Minister of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure
**Republic of Armenia**

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Cabinet Secretary, Ministry for Roads and Transport
**Republic of Kenya**

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**Saudi Arabia Railways**

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CEO and Managing Director
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**Dr. Ahmed Mohamed Alebri**
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**Malayisa Rapid Transit Corporation (MRT Corp)**

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**Keolis**

**Diego Diaz**
International Director and President
**SNCF International**

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**Salcef Group S.p.A**

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**Philippine National Railways**

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**RITES**

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Non-Independent Executive Director
**SBS Transit**

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Chief Executive Officer
**SYSTRA**

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Senior Vice President Ports & Terminals Commercial
**DP World GCC**

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**DB E.C.O Group**

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Transportation
**Egis**

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**Keolis**

**Dr. Jacob Kam**
Chief Executive Officer
**MTR Corporation Limited**

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Managing Director
**Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL)**

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International Projects
**Renfe**

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EMEA CEO and Global
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**Via**

**Jan Christoph Harder**
President of Region West,
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**Škoda Group**

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**Jordan Hijaz Railway**

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**Huawei Enterprise Business,**
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**Adriano Girotto**
President
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**Stevin Rock, RAK Rock and**
**Raknor**

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Senior Vice President, Rail and Transit Global Sector Leader
**Hill International**

**Jafar Oklah**
Chief Executive Officer
**National Infrastructure Construction Company (NICC)**

**Noémie Bercoff**
Director General
**Urbanloop**

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Chief Executive Officer
**Pakistan Intermodal**

**Gaurav Biswas**
Founder and CEO
**TruKKer**

**Ibrahim (Ibro) Muftic**
Vice President - Rail and Transit Leader
**Parsons**

**Amer Battikhi**
Executive Vice President and General Manager - Digital and Data Solutions
**Jacobs**

**Mohamed Jaber**
Chief Executive Officer
**Combi Lift Projects MEA**

**Omran Malek**
Head of Smart Autonomous Vehicle Industry (SAVI) Cluster
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With contributions from engineers, project leaders, and innovators worldwide, the Technical Conference provided an essential forum for advancing knowledge, exchanging best practice, and driving smarter, more sustainable transport systems.

## TECHNICAL CONFERENCE IN NUMBERS

**55**
Technical Presentations

**53**
Technical Speakers

**14**
Executive Committee Members

## TECHNICAL CONFERENCE THEMES

- Project planning and management
- Asset and lifecycle management
- Intermodal operations
- Signaling and communications
- Seamless passenger mobility
- End-to-end sustainable transport
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Global Rail 2025 amplified its digital presence through a targeted communications campaign that engaged rail and mobility audiences worldwide.

Spanning pre-show build up, live event coverage, and post show highlights, the campaign ensured consistent storytelling and maximum visibility across all digital channels. Through close collaboration with partners, exhibitors, speakers, and industry influencers, Global Rail 2025 successfully extended its reach, reinforcing the event's position as a leading global platform for transport innovation and dialogue.

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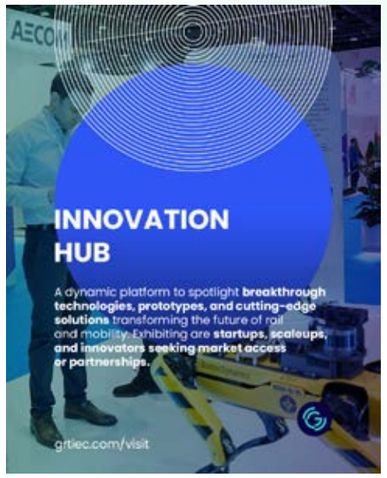

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Global Railway Review

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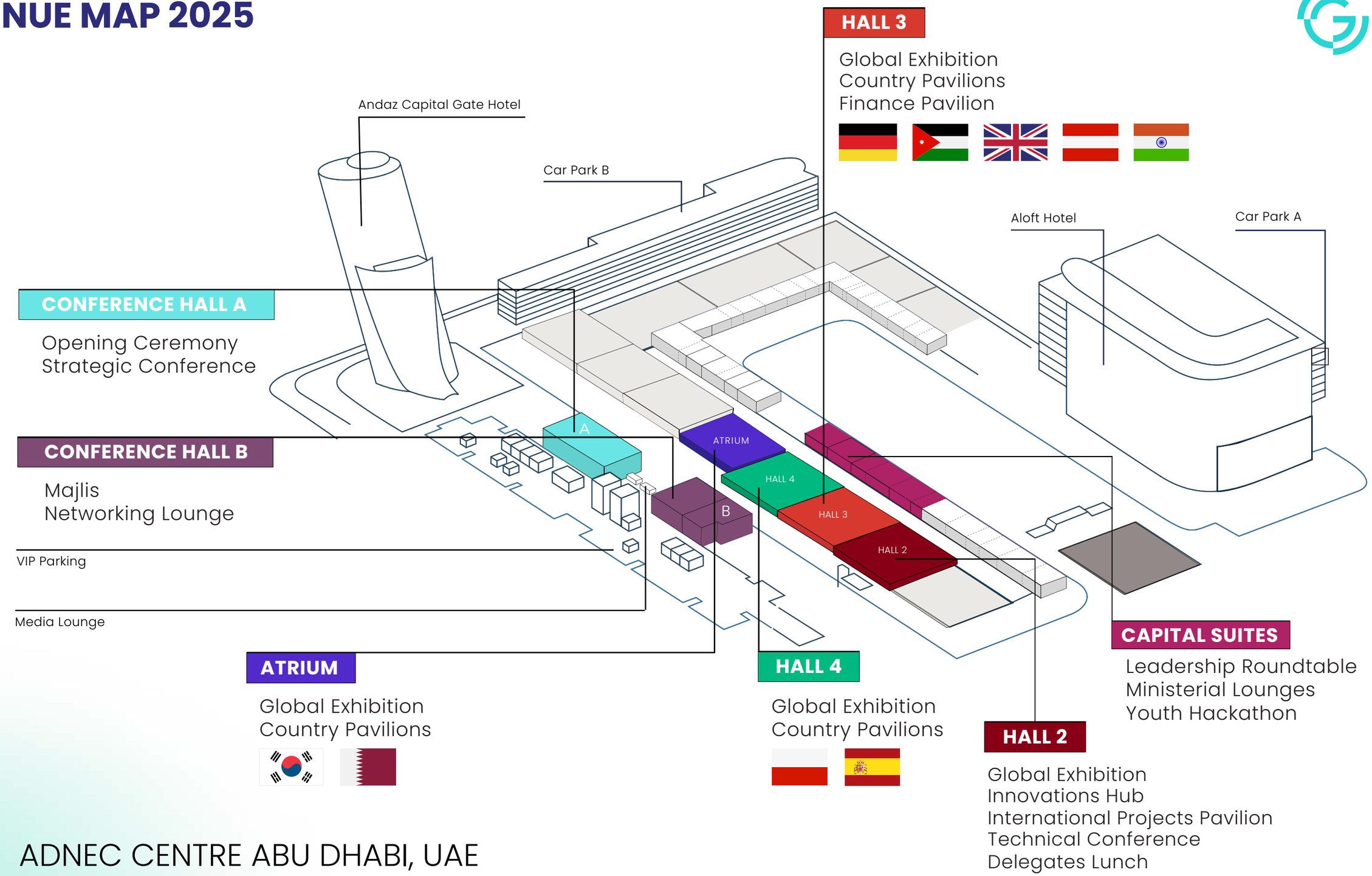


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