

The Gulf Society for Organizational Learning is hosting a new dialogue

MEGAPROJECTS & LEARNING:



Gulf SoL
Society for Organizational Learning

May 2nd - 3rd , 2006
Gulf Meridien Hotel,
Al Khobar

Building Local Capability in Engineering, Procurement, and Construction for Large Projects

Purpose:

The Megaprojects & Learning Dialogue will and explore ways of enhancing local capacity to support project planning & execution. The event will highlight opportunities for local participation, foreign investment, and job creation to support the Kingdom's major engineered construction projects. It will also feature success stories from domestic companies and multinational partners who have taken steps to establish local capability in the areas of engineering design, construction, manufacturing, and project support.

Who will be there?

Executive management from:

- SABIC, Saudi Aramco, and other megaproject proponents in Saudi Arabia
- Major engineering procurement, and construction (EPC) companies involved in megaproject planning & execution
- Key international equipment manufacturers for new process plant construction
- Domestic construction, manufacturing, and commercial enterprises
- Local investment banks and finance houses

Reasons why you should attend:

- ✓ Discover new business opportunities in Saudi Arabia's oil, gas & petrochemical megaprojects
- ✓ Explore ways of increasing your company's participation in Saudi megaproject development through local investment
- ✓ Learn from the experiences of others—including your peers and competitors
- ✓ Network—expand your contacts with other business leaders, both local and international

Keynote Speakers

Salim Al-Aydh

Sr. VP Engineering & Ops., Svcs.,
Saudi Aramco

Mutlaq Al-Morished

Vice President, Finance
SABIC

Dr. Abdulwahab Al-Sadoun

Director General, Energy Sector,
SAGIA

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About Gulf SoL

Gulf SoL is a regional network of business leaders, educators, researchers, and consultants committed to building capacity for fundamental innovation and change in organizations in the Gulf region. The purpose of the Gulf SoL Community is to promote the interdependent development of people and their institutions.

Agenda

Tuesday, May 2nd

15:00 Registration

16:00 Welcome & Introduction

Megaprojects as Opportunities for Regional Economic Development,

featuring presentations by:

- *Salim Al-Aydh, Sr. V.P., Operations & Engineering Services, Saudi Aramco*
- *Mutlaq Al-Morished, Vice President, Finance, SABIC*

Followed by participant dialogue

20:00 Dinner & Networking

Wednesday, May 3rd

7:30 *Exploring New Business Possibilities:*

featuring opening address by *Dr. Abdulwahab Al-Sadoun*, Director General, Energy Sector, Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority (SAGIA) and including participant dialogue

9:45 Exploration of key issues in your choice of three parallel tracks, each with presentations by content experts and best practice companies, with opportunities for in-depth dialogue:

- **Building In-Kingdom EPC Infrastructure:** Developing capacity in engineering, construction, inspection, procurement, and finance to support megaproject planning & execution
- **Manpower Development for Engineering & Construction:** Recruiting & retaining Saudi employees, training & developing skilled manpower, certifying job proficiency
- **Expanding In-Kingdom Manufacturing & Support:** Providing local fabrication, manufacturing, assembly, & after sales support for megaprojects

12:00 Lunch & Networking

13:30 Continuation of issue specific tracks

15:30 *Charting the Way Forward:* The full assembly reconvenes to share learning and possible next steps, with closing remarks by the sponsors.

16:30 End of formal session

17:00 *Post-conference special interest group meetings*

Design

The event will include a variety of activities to fully engage the attendees, including formal presentations, exhibits, and large group dialogues. Activities will extend over 1 ½ days, starting with opening ceremonies, keynote presentations, and dinner on Tuesday evening, May 2nd. The dialogue will continue for a full day on May 3rd, with presentations, exhibits, and discussions in three separate tracks: training & development for job growth, creating in-Kingdom manufacturing capacity, and building a services infrastructure to support large project execution. The event will apply world café methodology to promote open dialogue and a free exchange of ideas among participants.

Hotel Accommodation

Gulf SoL has blocked a set of rooms at the Gulf Meridien Hotel for the event, which are available to participants at a special discount rate. To reserve a room, e-mail Vic Sandoval, at vics@meridien-alkhobar.com