

DUBAI, UAE  
15-17 FEBRUARY 2021

# The 2021 WORLD FORUM for Foreign Direct Investment

## MONDAY 15TH FEBRUARY PRECONFERENCE DAY

- 8:00AM – 6:00 PM** Registration Open  
**9:00AM – 4:00PM** FDI Training Seminar  
**6:00PM – 8:00PM** Welcome Reception

## TUESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY CONFERENCE DAY ONE

- 8:00AM – 8:55AM** Breakfast & Registration  
**8:55AM – 9:00AM** Welcome & Opening Remarks  
**9:00AM – 10:15AM** **Session I – The Next 25 Years**  
What will the next 25 years bring, and how will we balance industrial growth while maintaining corporate responsibility?  
**10:15AM – 10:20AM** Country/Corporate Profile  
**10:20AM – 11:00AM** Networking Break  
**11:00AM – 12:00PM** **Session II – Sustainable Development**  
A panel of experts will discuss the how's and why's of sustainable development and the importance for corporations to take responsibility while expanding into markets.  
**12:00PM – 1:00PM** Lunch  
**1:00PM – 2:00PM** **Session III – Where is Investment Going & Why?**  
Corporate decision-makers will tell us which regions they expect to be most robust for FDI, and which industries are poised for the most dramatic growth.  
**2:00PM – 2:30PM** Networking Break  
**2:30PM – 3:30PM** **Session IV – Smart Cities & Infrastructure**  
What is a Smart City, and how are cities and regions investing in their infrastructure and logistics capabilities to support growth and mobility?  
**3:30PM – 4:00PM** Networking Break  
**4:00PM – 5:00PM** **Session V – Startups & Innovation**  
How should businesses and governments work together to cultivate a start-up innovation hub? What tips and tricks have been found the most successful. What should be avoided?  
**5:00PM** Day One Closing Remarks  
**6:30PM – 9:00PM** Evening Networking Reception

## WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY CONFERENCE DAY TWO

- 8:00AM – 8:55AM** Breakfast & Registration  
**8:55AM – 9:00AM** Welcome Back  
**9:00AM – 10:30AM** **Session VI – Sector Report**  
This session will be a panel of experts discussing the key sectors for Dubai  
*Tourism & Hospitality*  
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*Agribusiness & Agritech*  
Agribusiness is one of the fastest growing and most critical industry sectors in the world. Where are companies expanding, and how is technology supporting the world's agricultural needs?  
*Logistics & Trade*  
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**10:30AM – 11:00AM** Networking Break  
**11:00AM – 12:00PM** **Session VII – Clean Tech & Green Development**  
Are these merely industry buzzwords, or real drivers of corporate growth and sustainable development. A panel of corporate experts will weigh in, and tell us how government agencies can help incentivize both.  
**12:00PM – 1:00PM** Lunch  
**1:00PM – 2:15PM** **Session VIII – FinTech: Financial Services Disrupted**  
A panel of experts will discuss how the Fintech industry will shape the future and the technologies that will disrupt this booming industry.  
**2:15PM – 2:20PM** Corporate/Country Profile  
**2:20PM – 3:00PM** Networking Break  
**3:00PM – 4:00PM** **Session IX – The Future of Automotive & Aerospace**  
As one of the world's leading aviation centers and automotive re-export hubs, panelists will discuss Dubai's pivotal role in the globalized aerospace market as well as the regional center point for the region's automotive and after-market industry.  
**4:00PM** Day Two Closing Remarks

