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The UAE's commitment to sustainability, environmental stewardship, and renewable energy builds upon its rich legacy of backing global endeavours and initiatives that champion sustainable development and global economic prosperity. The UAE's strategy of economic diversification has been instrumental in supporting its economic robustness, aligning with its future vision, and enhancing its international stature and competitiveness.

His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan

President of the United Arab Emirates



Human beings, their ideas, innovations, dreams, and connections, are the capital of the future. Because where great minds go today, great things will follow tomorrow.

His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Vice President and Prime Minister of
the United Arab Emirates, Ruler of Dubai





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MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE &
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In a world defined by rapid transformation and increasingly complex challenges, building resilient, sustainable, and inclusive economies is no longer a choice—it is a strategic necessity. Today, economic resilience has become the new measure of global strength, empowering nations to adapt, thrive, and lead amidst sweeping geopolitical, technological, and environmental shifts.

The United Arab Emirates, guided by the visionary leadership of its founding fathers and continued by His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, has long embraced this forward-looking approach—placing innovation, sustainability, and economic diversification at the core of its national development strategy. We do not merely anticipate the future; we are architects of it.

In 2024, the UAE demonstrated extraordinary economic performance, with total foreign trade reaching AED 5.23 trillion and a trade surplus surpassing AED 482 billion—a clear reflection of our growing influence as a global trade and investment hub. The country rose to 11th globally in merchandise exports and 13th in services exports, while leading the region in digital services exports, which reached AED 191 billion—accounting for 30% of all service exports.

These milestones are the result of agile policymaking, an open economy, and a steadfast commitment to global integration and innovation. Our investment environment continues to attract international confidence, as reflected in the UAE's rise to 8th place on the 2024 Kearney FDI Confidence Index—up from 18th the previous year and securing second place among emerging markets, following China.

AIM Congress builds on this dynamic momentum, serving as a vital platform for global collaboration and thought leadership in shaping a resilient and future-ready global economy. The congress unites government leaders, investors, entrepreneurs, and experts to translate vision into actionable strategies and transformative partnerships.

The UAE Leads Global Resilience Through Innovation, Sustainability, and Economic Diversification, Shaping a Future-ready Economy.

This year, AIM is anchored around three pillars of transformation:

Global Markets: Exploring high-impact investment flows, the reconfiguration of trade and manufacturing, and strengthening global supply chains in an ever-evolving world.

Future Economies: Unveiling the potential of smart cities, green technologies, and digital governance in unlocking new frontiers of growth that benefit both people and the planet.

NexGen: Empowering startups, SMEs, and AI-driven ventures to drive inclusive innovation and accelerate national progress across sectors.

True resilience is not born from isolated reforms but through the deliberate integration of innovation, sustainability, and inclusion into every layer of economic policy. This is not a distant aspiration—it is a living reality we are building in the UAE, together with our global partners.

On behalf of the United Arab Emirates, it is my honor to welcome you to AIM Congress 2026. Join us in shaping the future of the global economy—where ambition meets action, and where resilient, inclusive, and sustainable growth becomes our shared legacy.

Thank you. And welcome to the UAE.

AIM Global Foundation

AIM Global Foundation is a visionary platform committed to driving global economic progress through smart investment and strategic partnerships. It addresses key economic, social, and environmental challenges by promoting innovation, sustainability, and inclusive growth.

By uniting policymakers, investors, and innovators, the Foundation serves as a catalyst for responsible development and economic resilience. It empowers underserved communities, supports impactful initiatives across markets, and facilitates knowledge exchange.

With a focus on future economies, AIM Global Foundation advances solutions in digital transformation, green finance, education, healthcare, and entrepreneurship—creating lasting impact aligned with global development goals.



AIM Advisory



AIM Connect



AIM Research



AIM Partnership



AIM Global Awards

Uniting the World for a Positive Economic, Environmental and Social Impact.

AIM Academy

AIM Investment

AIM Network



AIM Congress

AIM Congress is the world's leading investment platform, established by the AIM Global Foundation to drive global economic empowerment. It brings together government leaders, investors, policymakers, and innovators to foster strategic dialogue and unlock transformative investment opportunities. Through its comprehensive approach, AIM Congress supports international cooperation, enhances economic productivity, and strengthens cross-border partnerships—creating a collaborative environment where sustainable growth and innovation can thrive.

AIM Congress 2026 will take the lead in reshaping the global investment landscape by spotlighting emerging trends that are set to define the future of the global economy. With a strong focus on sustainability, advanced manufacturing, investment, and finance, the congress will explore how green technologies, circular economies, and industrial innovation can drive resilient and inclusive growth. It will also provide a platform for strategic dialogue on mobilizing capital, fostering public-private partnerships, and developing forward-thinking financial strategies. By equipping global stakeholders with actionable insights, AIM Congress 2026 aims to accelerate sustainable development and empower investors to thrive in an increasingly dynamic economic environment.

AIM Congress 2025 United Global Stakeholders, Sparked Investment, and Empowered Growth Through Strategic Partnerships and Dialogue

2025 Achievements

AIM Congress 2025 successfully brought together a diverse global audience, fostering key connections and collaborations across various sectors. The event exceeded expectations in participation, engagement, and partnerships, providing a significant platform for investment discussions and driving growth opportunities for both regional and international stakeholders. It reinforced its status as a leading investment hub.

15,831
Participants

Countries
181

Ministers
74

Heads of States
9

Speakers
1,385

207
High-Level Dignitaries

Supporting Partners
458

Side Forums
34

Exhibitors & Brand Representatives
588

MOU Signed
47

High-Level Roundtables
14

B2B
G2B
G2G
Meetings
12,341

6 AIM Global Foundation Awards

Workshops
12

435
Media

Regional Participation

- 54%** Middle East
- 18%** Africa
- 15%** Asia
- 7%** Europe
- 3%** North America
- 2%** Latin America & Caribbean
- 1%** Oceania & Pacific

Reshaping
Global
Prosperity:
**Unlocking
New
Investment
Pathways
Towards a
Sustainable
and Inclusive
Future**



2026 Theme

In our current transformative global investment era, economies face unprecedented volatility, from geopolitical shifts and supply chain disruptions to rapid technological displacement. In response, the imperative is to build truly inclusive & sustainable economies—systems that can not only withstand shocks but also adapt and thrive amidst uncertainty. This requires a fundamental paradigm shift, moving beyond siloed approaches to embrace a more integrated, inclusive and forward-looking economic architecture. The core objective now must be the deliberate construction of sustainable economies. This requires a strategic pivot from fragmented policies to an integrated framework designed to manage external shocks, drive competitive adaptation, and ensure that growth is both sustainable and widely distributed.

The pathway to achieving this inclusiveness and sustainability lies in the strategic integration of 2 core foundations: Sustainability and Inclusion. Sustainability provides the foundation for long-term viability, aligning economic activity with environmental stewardship and resource efficiency to mitigate climate risks and secure future growth. Finally, Inclusion acts as the binding agent, ensuring that the benefits of growth are shared widely. It is only by weaving these three elements into the very fabric of investment strategy and economic policy that we can build the durable, dynamic, and equitable economies fit for a new global era.

In our current transformative global investment era, the very definition of economic strength is being rewritten. We have entered a period of sustained volatility where linear growth models have proven fragile and insufficient. Economies are now simultaneously buffeted by profound geopolitical realignments, the persistent threat of supply chain disruptions, the escalating physical and financial risks of climate change, and the dual-edged sword of rapid technological advancement that creates and destroys industries at an unprecedented pace. The primary objective for nations and investors alike has therefore shifted from pursuing growth at all costs to building true sustainable economic.

Reshaping Global Prosperity: Unlocking New Investment Pathways Towards a Sustainable and Inclusive Future

The first foundation in constructing such an economy is the relentless pursuit of Sustainability forms the essential foundation for any durable economic model. Building resilience therefore means embedding sustainability into the core of economic and investment strategy. This involves accelerating the transition to clean energy, promoting a circular economy to optimize resource use, and investing in green infrastructure. By doing so, economies can mitigate future climate shocks, secure resource independence, and attract the growing wave of global capital allocated towards responsible and sustainable assets.

However, a technologically advanced and sustainable economy cannot be truly resilient if it is not also inclusive. Social cohesion is a critical component of economic stability. By guaranteeing equitable access to quality education, healthcare, finance, and economic opportunities for all segments of the population, nations can unlock new sources of innovation, build a robust middle class to drive domestic consumption, and foster a sense of shared purpose that is essential for navigating collective challenges.

Ultimately, true economic sustainability and inclusiveness is achieved not by focusing on these aspects in isolation, but through their strategic and synergistic integration. An inclusive society, rich in diverse perspectives and talents, is a fertile ground for grassroots innovation. A sustainable environment, in turn, is essential for ensuring a just and equitable quality of life for all citizens.

Therefore, as we navigate this transformative era, the most forward-thinking investment strategies and economic policies will be those that recognize this interconnectedness. An event structured like AIM Congress 2026, with its diverse and interconnected portfolios, offers significant added value to the global investment and economy by acting as a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary platform where a wide array of stakeholders can converge, collaborate, and create holistic solutions. Its value is not in addressing each topic in isolation, but in fostering the crucial synergies between them.

AIM Congress 2026 delivers unique value by breaking down economic silos to foster holistic solutions. Its power lies in convergence: connecting core areas like FDI, Trade, and Manufacturing to build resilient global supply chains, while aligning Finance and Digital Economy leaders with Future City architects to fund next-generation infrastructure. The Congress also serves as a vital bridge, linking innovative Startups, AI and SMEs with global capital and markets. By convening these diverse actors, the event creates a dynamic ecosystem where policy, technology, and investment unite to shape a more sustainable and prosperous global future.

A platform like AIM Congress 2026, structured around its three main pillars—Global Markets, Future Economies, and NexGen—adds unique value to the global investment landscape by offering insight, engagement, and action across the most pressing issues and transformative trends shaping tomorrow's economies.

Focus Sectors



Pillars

AIM Congress 2026 offers a bold and forward-thinking platform that brings together global leaders, investors, innovators, and entrepreneurs to shape the next era of economic growth. Through its strategic focus, the Congress presents unparalleled opportunities for investment, collaboration, and transformation across industries and borders. The event is built around three powerful pillars: Global Markets, Future Economies, and NexGen—each offering a distinct lens into the forces driving tomorrow's global economy.

Global Markets, this pillar focuses on boosting investment through trade and manufacturing. AIM Congress 2026 highlights new production hubs and foreign direct investment, helping connect capital with industries ready for sustainable growth. Future Economies explores finance, digital innovation, and sustainability. It offers insights into green finance, digital infrastructure, and climate-focused investing that drive smarter, more sustainable economies. NexGen supports startups, small businesses, and AI innovators by providing funding, mentorship, and exposure. AIM Congress 2026 serves as a launchpad for new ideas that promote inclusive growth and technological progress.

What AIM Congress 2026 holds is a comprehensive and action-oriented platform where investment meets innovation, and where ideas are transformed into lasting impact. Whether you're a policymaker, investor, founder, or thought leader, this Congress is designed to equip you with the insights, connections, and opportunities to thrive in a rapidly evolving global economy.



Global Markets



Future Economies



NexGen



A Global Platform Advancing Investment, Innovation, and Collaboration to Shape Inclusive, Sustainable, and Future-Driven Economic Growth

Global Markets

In an era defined by economic rebalancing, industrial innovation, and geopolitical complexity, the Global Markets pillar examines how nations can attract, retain, and scale investment to drive long-term, inclusive growth. It provides a critical platform to analyze the flow of capital, goods, and industrial capacity in a world where economic priorities are rapidly shifting. This pillar is designed to support strategic dialogue on reshaping global value chains, enhancing economic resilience, and strengthening national competitiveness.

Global Markets is built around three interconnected portfolios — Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), Global Trade, and Global Manufacturing — each offering insights into the future of economic development and cross-border cooperation. From securing sustainable FDI inflows to reimagining trade routes and scaling next-generation manufacturing, these portfolios work in synergy to guide strategic decision-making. This pillar is more than capital—it represents the infrastructure of opportunity.

As governments and industries strive to achieve sovereignty over supply chains, accelerate green and digital investment, and build future-ready industrial ecosystems, Global Markets becomes a vital platform for action. It supports public-private partnerships, policy innovation, and technology transfer, paving the way for economies to not only adapt but lead.

From smart factories and logistics corridors to investment zones and free trade agreements, Global Markets is where global ambitions take root, scale, and evolve into real economic impact. It's where strategy meets structure, and where ideas turn into measurable outcomes that shape the global economy of tomorrow.

Driving Resilient Growth Through Investment, Trade, and Manufacturing in a Rapidly Evolving Global Economic Landscape.

FDI

The Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) portfolio focuses on unlocking cross-border capital flows that drive long-term economic growth. It explores shifts in global investment patterns, the rise of digital economies, and the growing importance of sustainable, inclusive development. Stakeholders gain insights into building resilient and future-ready investment ecosystems.

Through high-level dialogues, policy roundtables, and interactive sessions, the FDI portfolio also brings together governments, investment promotion agencies, multinationals, and financial institutions to explore innovative strategies for attracting and retaining investment. From navigating geopolitical shifts to leveraging emerging technologies, participants engage with the tools and trends shaping the future of global investment.

Global Trade

This portfolio examines the evolving dynamics of international trade, including market access, supply chain resilience, and export growth. It highlights trade's role in driving innovation, competitiveness, and economic expansion amid global uncertainty. Key topics include risk mitigation, comparative advantage, and new trade opportunities.

It explores how trade is adapting to digital transformation, green regulations, and shifting consumer demands, driving the need for more agile policies, smarter logistics, and future-ready trade strategies.



Global Manufacturing

This portfolio highlights how advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), automation, and the Internet of Things (IoT) are revolutionizing the manufacturing sector, with notable impact in areas like the pharmaceutical and healthcare industries. These innovations are driving greater precision, enhancing production efficiency, and enabling real-time monitoring across critical and highly regulated processes.

More broadly, these technologies are transforming manufacturing across all sectors—improving supply chain visibility, supporting predictive maintenance, reducing downtime, and enabling data-driven decision-making. By integrating smart systems and connected devices, manufacturers can build more agile, efficient, and sustainable operations that meet the demands of a rapidly evolving global market.



Empowering Economies to Lead Through Strategic Investment, Trade Innovation, and Advanced Manufacturing for Global Impact.



Future Economies

As the global landscape continues to evolve under the forces of technological acceleration, urbanization, and financial innovation, the Future Economies pillar explores how nations, cities, industries, and institutions can evolve to thrive in a digitally driven, interconnected, and sustainability-focused world. It emphasizes the need for agility, inclusivity, and foresight as the foundation for economic systems that can withstand disruption and deliver long-term value.

This pillar is anchored by three strategic portfolios — Future Cities, Future Finance, and the Digital Economy — that together shape the blueprint for next-generation growth and global competitiveness. These portfolios explore everything from sustainable infrastructure and smart mobility to decentralized finance, AI-enabled governance, and the integration of emerging technologies into economic frameworks.

Future Economies is where technology meets policy, finance meets sustainability, and innovation meets practical implementation. It provides a comprehensive perspective on how digital transformation, responsible finance, and inclusive urban planning are converging to define the next chapter of human development.

This pillar empowers leaders to explore how to build climate-resilient cities, foster equitable access to digital services, and reshape financial systems to serve broader societal goals. By connecting investors, governments, and innovators, Future Economies creates a collaborative space for designing the policies, platforms, and partnerships needed to build future-ready economies that are sustainable, inclusive, and innovation-led.

Shaping Inclusive, Technology-Driven Economies by Advancing Smart Cities, Digital Innovation, and Sustainable Urban Development.

Future Cities

Future Cities focuses on building sustainable, inclusive, and resilient urban environments as global urbanization accelerates. It explores smart infrastructure, mobility solutions, and urban policies that foster livability and economic opportunity. The portfolio promotes collaboration to design cities that are future-ready and people-centered.



Digital Economy

The Digital Economy portfolio emphasizes the fast-paced integration of transformative technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, 5G, and cloud computing across various sectors and industries worldwide. It examines how digital transformation is reshaping the way businesses operate, communicate, and deliver value, driving innovation, improving operational efficiency, and enabling smarter decision-making.

The portfolio highlights how enhanced connectivity and intelligent systems are fostering new opportunities for global trade, investment, and entrepreneurship. Additionally, it focuses on the inclusive potential of the digital economy to bridge gaps, empower small businesses, and create a more equitable, connected, and sustainable environment for economic growth.

Empowering Financial Transformation and Building Resilient, Future-ready Urban Environments Through Innovation and Collaboration.

Future Finance

Future Finance explores the dynamic transformation of the financial services sector driven by emerging technologies such as fintech, artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and digital payment systems. This portfolio delves into how innovation is reshaping banking, investment, insurance, and personal finance by streamlining operations, enhancing decision-making, and offering faster, more secure, and more personalized services to consumers.

It also highlights how these technologies are enabling greater financial inclusion, reducing costs, and creating agile, scalable solutions for institutions and customers alike. Future Finance champions forward-thinking strategies that foster a resilient, transparent, and tech-driven financial ecosystem prepared for tomorrow's economic challenges.



NexGen

In an era defined by rapid technological transformation and a global race for innovation, the NexGen pillar serves as a dynamic platform for the boldest thinkers, disruptive technologies, and next-generation business models shaping the future of the global economy. It brings together the creative energy of entrepreneurs, the agility and scale of startups and unicorns, and the exponential potential of artificial intelligence to drive breakthrough innovation and high-impact solutions.

NexGen is a launchpad for investment-ready ventures, frontier technologies, and visionary ideas that are reshaping industries—from healthtech and fintech to clean energy, mobility, and beyond. As the world competes to build the next innovation hubs and cultivate future tech leaders, this pillar offers unparalleled access to the ecosystems, capital, and mentorship that fuel rapid scaling and global expansion.

This is where ambition meets acceleration—where innovators connect with investors, AI merges with entrepreneurship, and real-world challenges are met with scalable, transformative solutions. NexGen captures the spirit of future economies: fast-moving, visionary, and unapologetically bold.

Whether you're investing in the next unicorn, launching an AI-native company, or designing forward-thinking policies for the digital age, NexGen offers a front-row seat to the future being built today. It is not just a showcase—It's a catalyst for global impact and a springboard for the next generation of economic champions.

Unicorns

Startups are transforming global industries through disruptive innovation, agility, and cutting-edge technologies like AI, blockchain, and fintech. They empower digital entrepreneurs to overcome barriers, secure funding, and scale impactful solutions.

Startups aren't just launching new products—they're reshaping economies and defining the future of global business.



Entrepreneurs

This focus area centers on empowering SMEs, which drive job creation and economic growth worldwide. With a spotlight on digital transformation and sustainable practices, it connects entrepreneurs to the insights, tools, and partnerships they need to scale globally. It celebrates the spirit of innovation and inclusive growth at the heart of entrepreneurial success.

Accelerating
Transformative
Technologies
and
Empowering
Next-
Generation
Ventures to
Scale Rapidly
and Impact
Markets
Worldwide.



Artificial Intelligence (AI)

AI is revolutionizing every sector—from finance and healthcare to manufacturing and urban planning. This area explores how AI is accelerating innovation, enhancing decision-making, and unlocking new business models. The focus is on the ethical, scalable, and transformative impact of AI in building smarter, more efficient, and resilient systems.

It also examines the infrastructure, governance, and talent needed to support responsible AI adoption, ensuring that innovation is inclusive, secure, and aligned with long-term development goals.





Workshops



Conferences



Side Events



Roundtables

Features and Activities

AIM Congress offers a strategic platform for companies to engage with global investors, policymakers, and industry leaders. It enables direct connections, market expansion, and visibility for innovative solutions, while providing access to funding, high-level discussions, and emerging investment opportunities.



Pitch Competitions

Showcase Innovation, Attract Investment, and Connect Globally Through AIM's Features



Networking (B2B, G2G, G2B)



Awards



International Exhibition



MoU Signings



Investment Destinations

Position your Company at the Forefront of Global Investment by Connecting with Decision-Makers, Showcasing Innovation, and Accessing New Markets.

How AIM Congress Drives Business Growth

AIM Congress offers a strategic platform for companies to engage with global investors, policymakers, and industry leaders. It enables direct connections, market expansion, and visibility for innovative solutions, while providing access to funding, high-level discussions, and emerging investment opportunities.

Discover exclusive global co-investment opportunities

Gain exposure to government-backed incubators

Present long-term growth investment solutions

Attract IPO-ready companies and investors

Access funding and growth-focused opportunities

Expand footprint through policy-backed initiatives

Showcase fund strategies to sovereign partners

Connect with government-driven privatization projects

Align investments with national growth priorities

Meet distributors, brokers, and allocators

Gain Visibility, Forge Strategic Partnerships, and Tap into Exclusive Funding and Government-led Investment Opportunities Worldwide



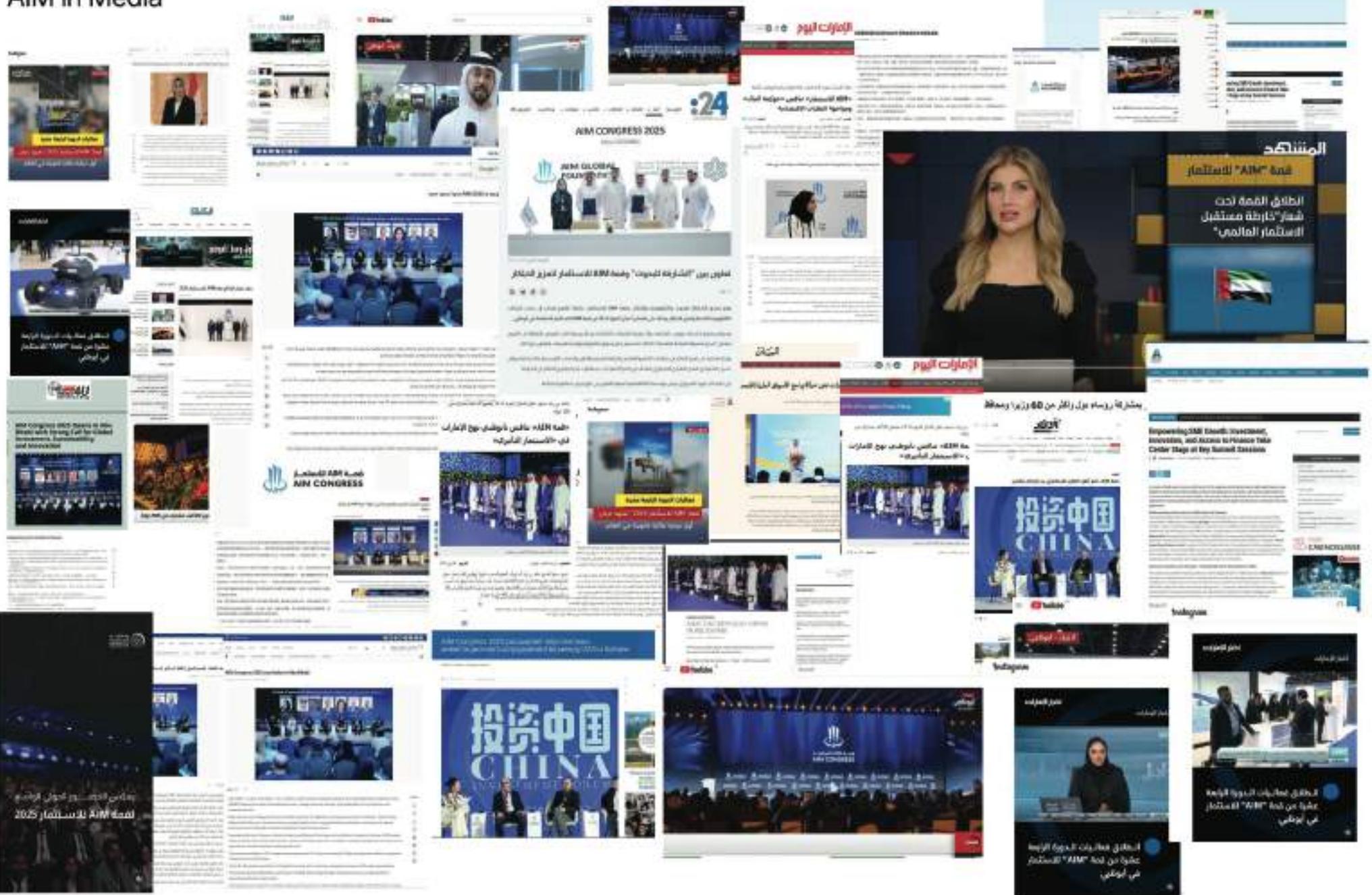
Host City

AIM Congress 2026 will be held in Dubai, a leading global center for trade, finance, and innovation. Known for its dynamic economy and forward-looking vision, Dubai continues to attract significant investment and drive digital transformation. Serving as a gateway to emerging markets across the Middle East, Africa, and Asia, the city offers unparalleled access to high-growth opportunities and a vibrant innovation ecosystem. With its strategic location, supportive business environment, and strong commitment to sustainable development, Dubai provides an ideal platform for investors, policymakers, and industry leaders to come together and shape the future of international investment.

AIM Congress will take place at the Dubai World Trade Centre (DWTC), a premier venue offering world-class facilities, advanced infrastructure, and excellent connectivity. DWTC's modern environment is designed to foster meaningful partnerships, showcase key opportunities, and facilitate productive dialogue among participants from across the globe.



AIM in Media



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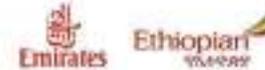
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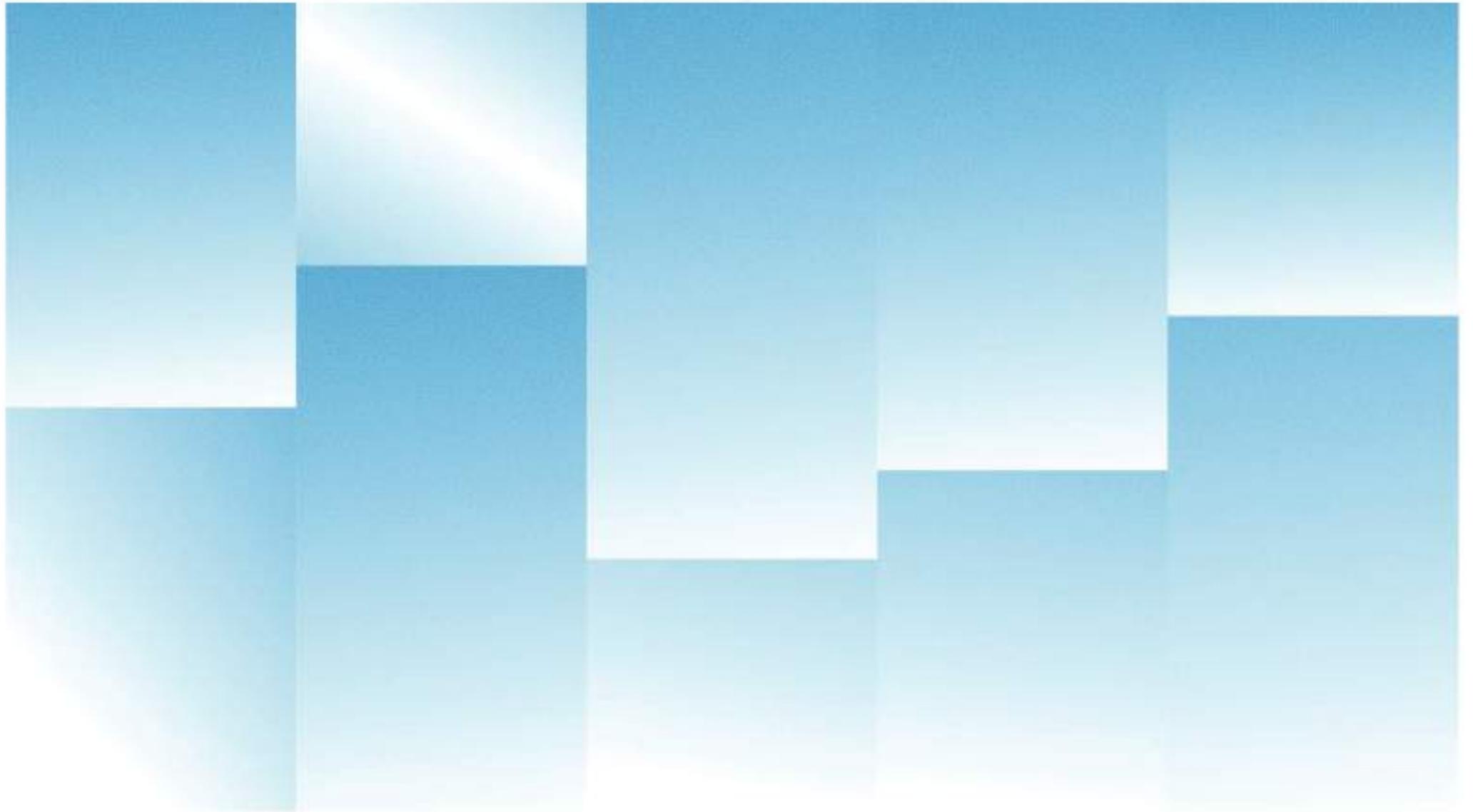


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