



The GCC 11th Industrialists' Conference
GCC Petrochemical Sector: Vision for 2020
Abu Dhabi: 20-21 January, 2008
Intercontinental Hotel

[Conference Program \(Final Draft\)](#)

Saturday 19 January , 2008

19:00 – 22:00 Early registration, and delivery of conference documents.

Sunday 20 January, 2008

08:00 – 09:00 Reception, registration, and delivery of conference documents.

09:00 – 10:30 Inaugural Session:

- National Anthem
- Recitation from Holy Quran
- Inaugural Address: H.H. Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Special Address: Ministry of Finance & Industry, UAE
- Special Address: Secretary General, Gulf Organization For Industrial Consulting (GOIC)
- Special Address: Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Special Address: "Shaping the future of the Gulf Petrochemical Sector through Innovation" – Mr. Abdul Aziz A Al Hajri, Chief Executive Officer, Borouge [Abu Dhabi Polymers Company Ltd.]
- Keynote Address: Mr. Gerhard Schroeder, Ex-Chancellor of Germany

10:30 - 11:00

Exhibition Tour and Tea Break

11:00 – 11:30

Plenary Session:

GCC Petrochemical Sector – A Vision for 2020.

Speaker : **Dr. Andrew Spiers**, Sr.VP, Nexant Chem Systems, UK.

11:30– 12: 30

Interaction with Ministers: Chairman: H.E. Minister of Finance and Industry, UAE.

Discussion with GCC Ministers of Industry

12:30 - 14:00

Prayer & Lunch Break

Conference Lunch Hosted by Ministry of Finance & Industry



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First Session: Chairman: H.E. Ahmed Dhaif, Assistant Secretary General for Information and Research, GOIC

Role of GCC in the Global Petrochemical Sector

14:00 – 14:20 Paper {1}: ***The GCC Petrochemical Industry – A New Frontier in the Global Industry***

Speaker : **Dr. Abdulwahab A Al Sadoun**, President, PetroBaas, KSA

Paper{2}: ***Development Trends in the Petrochemical Industry in GCC.***

14:20 – 14:40 Speaker : **Dr. Nurallah (Noor) Jivraj** – Sr. Consultant, Jacobs Consultancy, UK

Panel Discussion {1}: Competitiveness of the GCC Petrochemical Industry

14:40 – 15:10

Panelists :

- Dr. Philip Leighton – Director Petrochemicals, Jacobs Consultancy, UK
- Mr. Abdulrehman Al Jawahery, General Manager, Gulf Petrochemical Industries Co. (BSC), Bahrain
- Mr. Abdullah Al Hagbani, Secretary General, Gulf Petrochemical & Chemical Association, Dubai
- Mr. Ali Hassan Al Sidiky, Director, Downstream Ventures, Qatar Petroleum, Qatar
- Dr. Just Jansz, President - LyondalBasell Industries

15:10 – 15:30 Paper {3}: ***Creating Links in the Petrochemical Value Chain***

Speaker : **Mr. Abdullah Saeed Al Darmaki**, VP – Petrochemicals, ADPP, ADBIC

15:30 - 15:45 Discussion on Papers Presented in the First Session

15:45

Closing – First Day



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09:00 – 9:45 Keynote Address: Prof. Joseph E. Stiglitz, Nobel Prize Winner in Economics – 2001

09:45 – 10:00 Coffee Break

Second Session: Chariman: GOIC

Technological Advances & Market Trends

10:00 – 10:20 Paper {4}: ***Shaping the Future with Plastics: a Differentiated Approach***

Speaker : Mr. Khalfan Al Muhairi, Application Marketing Manager, Borouge Pte. Ltd.

10:20 – 10:40 Paper {5}: ***Petrochemical Industry – Technological Trends***

Speaker : **Dr. Just Jansz**, President - LyondallBasell Industries

10:40 – 11:00 Paper {6}: ***What is happening in the Asian Petrochemical Industry?***

Speaker : **Ms. Malini Hariharan**, Country Manager – India, ICIS

11:00 - 11:15 Discussion on Papers Presented in the Second Session

11:15 - 11:30 Tea Break

Third Session: Chairman: GOIC

Financing of / Investing in Gulf Petrochemical industry

11:30 – 11:50 Paper {7}: ***Financing the Gulf Petrochemical Industry***

Speaker : **Mr. Darren Davis**, **Managing Director**, Head of MENA Project & Export Finance, HSBC Bank Middle East, Dubai



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11:50 – 12:30 Panel Discussion {2}: International Investment in GCC Petrochemical Industry

Panelists :

- Mr. Abdullah Al Hagbani, Secretary General, Gulf Petrochemical & Chemical Association, Dubai
- Mr. Phil Parker, - GM – New Business Development, Shell, Qatar
- Dr. Mohammad Fatemi, President & MD, Middle East Petrochem Engineering & Technology, Dubai

12:30 - 12:45 Discussion on Papers Presented in the Third Session

12:45 - 14:15 **Prayer / Conference Lunch hosted by Abu Dhabi Chamber of Commerce & Industry**

Fourth Session: Chairman: **Mr. Harald Hammer, Chief Executive Officer**, Borouge Pte Ltd.

Challenges Faced by the GCC Petrochemical Industry

14:15 – 14:35 Paper {8}: ***Foster Wheeler in the Middle East - An Example of Flexible Strategic Management.***

Speaker : **Mr. Giancarlo Cotone**, Sr. Vice President - Middle East, Foster Wheeler International.

14:35 – 14:55 Paper {9}: ***Feedstock Availability in GCC - Current Situation & Future Trends.***

Speaker: **Dr. Philip Leighton – Director Petrochemicals**, Jacobs Consultancy, UK

14:55 – 15:15 Discussion on Papers Presented in the Fourth Session

15:15 – 16:00 **Concluding Session:**

Chairman: H.E. Dr. Ahmed Khalil AL Mutawa

Secretary General, Gulf Organization For Industrial Consulting (GOIC)

Panel Discussion on Recommendations and Conference Statement

16:00 – 16:30 **Vote of Thanks, Announcements and Adjournment**