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VERTICAL DAYS

CONFERENCE AGENDA

SUN 08	MON 09	TUE 10	WED 11	THU 12
THE GITEX KEYNOTES	HEALTHCARE SMART CITIES RETAIL	FINANCE SMART CITIES TECH LEADERS	TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS DIGITAL MARKETING	EDUCATION

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SUN 08 **The GITEX Keynotes**
Big Data | Clean Energy | Mobile | Blockchain | Digitalisation

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Robotics | 3D Printing | AR/VR | Patient Experience
Cyber-security | Mobile & Cloud | Blockchain

MON 09 **Retail**
Digital Transformation | Customization | AR/VR | Drones
Artificial Intelligence | Magic Mirrors

MON 09 TUE 10 **Smart Cities**
Big Data | Happiness | Artificial Intelligence
Cognitive Cities | Blockchain

TUE 10 **Finance**
Blockchain | Artificial Intelligence
Robotics Process Automation | Machine Learning

TUE 10 **Tech Leaders**
Leadership | Diversity & Inclusion | STEM

WED 11 **Transport & Logistics**
Autonomous Vehicles | Robotics | Artificial Intelligence | Smart Technology

WED 11 **Digital Marketing**
Gamification | Data Analytics | Artificial Intelligence
Digitalisation | Automation

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AR/VR | E-Education | Smart Education
Campus Of The Future | Gamification

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**Dr. Werner Vogels,
CTO, Amazon.com**

*Named among Wired's
World's Top 10 Cloud
Influencers & Thought
Leaders and the driving
force steering Amazon
to its 2027 mission
of US\$ 1 trillion
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BREAKING NEWS
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Delve into the minds of the world's leading business practitioners as they reveal their "this-is-how-we-did-it" success stories and give businesses a preview of value-creation through innovation. Here's a snapshot of the 2017 line-up.



THE GITEX KEYNOTES

Building a great disruptive business

Patrick Grove, Co-Founder & Group CEO of Catcha Group | Co-Founder & Chairman of iFlix



RETAIL

Turning high end fashion into high tech retail

Scott Emmons, Head Innovation Lab, Neiman Marcus



SMART CITIES

Presenting Dubai's smart city

Dr. Aisha Bin Bishr, Director General, Smart Dubai



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The secrets of successful transformation to blockchain government

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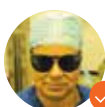
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TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS

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Jelani Aliyu, Director General, National Automotive Design and Development Council



HEALTHCARE

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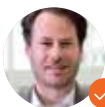
Shafi Ahmed, Professor of Surgery, Associate Dean, Futurist, Entrepreneur, Innovator, Barts Medical School, Singularity University



RETAIL

Harness service design to re-think your tech and products, and make your business immune to competition

Benjamin Running, Director Innovation Lab, Jet.com a Walmart Company



SMART CITIES

Examining Smart City Enablement technologies that will facilitate greater innovation and facilitate truly smart cities

Marijn Fraanje, CIO, The Hague



FINANCE

Harnessing the power of digital technologies to reimagine your business and drive growth in a disruptive age

Marcus Teacher, Global Head of Strategic Accounts, Ripple



TECH LEADERS

Changing the technology game, Creating the leaders of tomorrow to drive innovation

Michelle WU, CIO, GE Power Services



DIGITAL MARKETING

How to build a 60 million + online community – the secrets of Instagram's Middle East success

Priya Patel, Business Development Lead, Instagram



EDUCATION

The Living Lab- Insights into the multi award winning smart campus that is driving innovation

Prof Regiane Relva Romano, General Coordinator, FACENS



HEALTHCARE

Combating the Digital Lifestyle: The next habitat for tech-humanity

John Nosta, Google Health Advisory Board Member, Digital Health Professor, Singularity University, President, Nostalab



RETAIL

The digitization of business: The effect of e-commerce strategies on revenue growth in retail companies

Branden Williams, SVP, MUFG



SMART CITIES

Insights into Amsterdams government efficiency programs, assessing how technology can reduce the cost of government

Ger Baron, Chief Technology Officer, City of Amsterdam



FINANCE

UK Retail Banking. Too big to disrupt?

Paul Clarke, CTO, Tandem



TECH LEADERS

Discussing the role of educational establishments in attracting females to STEM

Barbara Hughey, Associate Director Women in Technology Program, MIT




TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS

Connected & Autonomous EV revolution

Tin Hang Liu, CEO & Founder, OSVehicle

Top 5 sessions you cannot miss!

<p>1. Dr. Werner Vogels, Chief Technology Officer of Amazon.com</p> <p>Breaking news - First time in the region! - <i>The genius responsible for driving Amazon's world-dominating technology vision</i></p> <p>Powerful Keynote: <i>The prolific Amazon story: transforming an ecommerce start-up into one of the world's most remarkable technology companies</i></p> <p>Experience at The GITEX Keynotes, Vertical Conferences Date & Time: 14:10, Sunday October 8 Location: Sheikh Makhtoum Hall, The Keynote Stage</p>
<p>2. Planet of the Apps, Live Panel – Apple's global celebrity App Financing TV hit is coming to Middle East – Live with digital input from Will I Am</p> <p>Moderator Ben Silverman, Creator/Executive Producer, Planet of the Apps, Former Chairman of NBC and creator of the Tudors and the Biggest Loser</p> <p>Panelists Winston Thomas aka DJ Blackout Co-Founder RecordGram, Grammy Award Winning DJ and Producer Lauren Farleigh, Founder, Dote – Raised US\$10.8 million through Planet of the Apps and mentored by Gwyneth Paltrow Sunny Uppal, Founder, Tracks Erik Mendelson, Co-Founder, RecordGram - mentored by Will I AM and received \$650k investment on show and went on to win TechCrunch's Startup Battlefield</p> <p>Experience at The GITEX Keynotes, Vertical Conferences Date & Time: 16:05, Wednesday October 11 Location: Sheikh Makhtoum Hall, The Keynote Stage</p> 
<p>3. Dr. Shafi Ahmed, Professor of Surgery, Associate Dean, Futurist, Entrepreneur, Innovator, Barts Medical School, Singularity University</p> <p><i>World's first surgeon to live-stream surgery via AR & VR – over 54 million views via Google Glass, Snapchat and Twitter</i></p> <p>Session: Disrupting the doctor patient relationship: Social media, AI and VR's interface with the healthcare industry to improve universal patient care</p> <p>Experience at Healthcare Conference, Vertical Conferences Date & Time: 11:50, Monday October 9 Location: Sheikh Makhtoum Hall</p>
<p>4. Patrick Grove, Co-founder & Group CEO, Catcha Group/co-founder & Chairman, iflix</p> <p><i>Top Entrepreneur under 40 (Business Week) judge of Talent Unleashed Awards member XPrize Innovation Board</i></p> <p>Session: The 5Ps to building a great disruptive business</p> <p>Experience at The GITEX Keynotes, Vertical Conferences Date & Time: 16:05, Monday, October 9 Location: Sheikh Makhtoum Hall, The Keynote Stage</p>
<p>5. Tin Hang Liu, CEO & Founder, OSVehicle</p> <p><i>Saved mobility sector millions of \$\$\$ creating an open-source, modular autonomous vehicle platform</i></p> <p>Session: Connected & Autonomous EV revolution</p> <p>Experience at Transport & Logistics Conference, Vertical Conferences Date & Time: 11:05, Wednesday, 11 October Location: Sheikh Makhtoum Hall</p>

Day One, Sunday, 8th October 2017
THE GITEX KEYNOTES

The GITEX Keynotes features the world's market-movers and heavy-hitters talking about what matters – the future of tech, ideas and concepts that will change the business world and daily lives.

14:00	Welcome from Chair Simon Baptist, Global Chief Economist; Managing Director, Asia, The Economist
14:10	Opening Keynote: The prolific Amazon story: transforming a start-up into the world's most remarkable technology firm Dr. Werner Vogels, Chief Technology Officer, Amazon.com The tech genius responsible for driving Amazon's world-dominating innovation vision
14:40	Keynote: Power to the People Mike Sutcliff, Group Chief Executive Officer, Accenture Digital
15:10	Trust and our Digital Society: A dive into the importance of cybersecurity in today's world Faisal Al Bannai, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, DarkMatter Eddie Schwartz, Executive Vice President of Cyber Services, DarkMatter Rabih Dabboussi, Senior Vice President – Sales, Marketing & Business Development, DarkMatter
15:40	Global Launch of the new BlackBerry device: A sneak peek Francois Mahieu, Chief Operating Officer, BlackBerry Mobile
15:50	Networking break

HUAWEI INNOVATION SUMMIT

16:00	HUAWEI INNOVATION SUMMIT
18:30	End of Day 1 – The GITEX Keynotes

Day Two, Monday, 9th October 2017
Healthcare

11:00	Welcoming Address by Chairman <i>Ian Khan, Technology Advisor, 3x TEDx Speaker, Futurist</i>
11:05	Combating the digital lifestyle: The next habitat for tech-humanity <i>John Nosta, Google Health Advisory Board Member, Digital Health Professor, Singularity University, President, Nostalab</i>
11:25	Improving healthcare delivery: How systems can improve our understanding of how patient behave and engage <i>Olivier Oullier, President, EMOTIV</i>
11:50	Disrupting the doctor patient relationship: Social media, AI and VR's interface with the healthcare industry to improve universal patient care <i>Shafi Ahmed, Professor of Surgery, Associate Dean, Futurist, Entrepreneur, Innovator, Barts Medical School, Singularity University</i>
12:10	The A.I. will see you now: meet the digital doctor <i>Asad Khan, Managing Director Health & Public Services, Accenture</i>
12:35	Blockchain and it's use in healthcare: Just what the doctor ordered! <i>Dr. Robert Learney, Associate Director Centre for Cryptocurrency Research and Engineering, Imperial College</i>
13:00	Healthcare's digital transformation: megatrends & opportunities <i>Rajat Karol, General Manager- Healthcare IT, GE Healthcare</i>
13:30	Lunch and Networking

14:30	Preventing breaches in healthcare cyber security: identify vulnerabilities and ensure patient safety Nader Henein, Regional Director Security, Blackberry Mahir Nayfeh, Partner, McKinsey & Company Rajat Karol, General Manager- Healthcare IT, GE Healthcare Megha Kumar, Research Director, IDC
15:10	Digital lifeline for the unconnected: patient in remote areas to leverage medical care Najat Abdulrahman, Executive Director - Business Development, Yahsat
15:35	VR and AR for healthcare innovation Christopher Queen, Surgeon, Umm Suqeim Veterinary Centre
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Day Two, Monday, 9th October 2017
Retail

11:00	Welcoming Remarks from Chairman Debbie Hauss, Editor-in-Chief, Retail TouchPoints, US David Hogan, Chief Information Officer, National Retail Federation (former)
11:05	Inside the Store- What's next? Seven key questions to help you evaluate new in-store technology Case study with insights on Macys, Nordstorm, Saks and Holt Renfrew Ian Khan , Technology Advisor, 3x TEDx Speaker, Author, Editor
11:30	Cloud tech evolution in retail- Linking buyers and sellers through online marketplaces Clinton O'Leary, Chief Commercial Officer, Yvolv
11:50	Fireside Chat – Leveraging the power of e-commerce to transform from a home-run shop to a globally recognised brand Sophia Amoruso, Founder, Girlboss Media
12:10	eCommerce and Retail Digital Transformation in MENA Acile Sleiman, Retail Industry Head in MENA, Google
12:40	The New Norm: Disruption Through Innovation Paul Walsh, SVP – Platform Strategy & Innovation, VISA
13:10	Turning high-end fashion into high tech retail Scott Emmons, Head Innovation Lab, Neiman Marcus
13:30	Lunch and Networking

14:30	Make your business immune to competition: Harness service design to re-think your tech and products, and Benjamin Running, Director Innovation Lab, Jef.com a Walmart Company
15:00	The digitization of business: The effect of e-commerce strategies on revenue growth in retail companies Branden Williams, SVP, MUFG
15:30	Gazing into the retail crystal ball – How you can identify what your customer wants before they do Mansour Salameh, Client Solutions Manager, Facebook
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Day Two, Monday , 09th October 2017
Smart Cities

11:00	Welcoming remarks from Chairman Renato De Castro, International Adviser, WEGO (World E Government Organisation)
11:05	Keynote Address: Presenting Dubai's smart city strategy Dr. Aisha Bin Bishr, Director General, Smart Dubai
11:20	Panel Discussion: Detailing the financial models that to deliver cost effective and efficient development of the world's future intelligent cities - focus on partnerships between the public, private sector and people Ger Baron, Chief Technology Officer, City of Amsterdam Siim Sikkut, Government Chief Information Officer, Government of Estonia Sean O'Brien, General Manager and Leader for Public Services, SAP Marijn Fraanje, Chief Information Officer,, The Hague
12:00	Digital Economies: Driven by smart cities Safder Nazir, Regional Vice President of Digital Industries, Huawei Middle East
12:20	Panel Discussion: Developing a circular economy to improve city efficiency: business, civil society and public administration's roles in driving the transformation to a 'Blue Economy'- an economy based on innovation Jorge Saraiva, Smart Cities Adviser, European Union Er-Ti Chen, Sustainable Urban Development Associate, Smart Eco City Philip Bane, Managing Director, Smart Cities Council Sky Kurtz, Co-Founder, Pure Harvest Dina Tamimi , Director of Future City, Honeywell
13:00	Dubai Police: Special Project Presentation Brigadier Khalid Nasser Alrazooqi, General Director of Smart Services Department, Dubai Police GHQ
13:15	Let the start-ups tell you how: 3 of the most innovative smart city startups will discuss their technologies innovations and tell their stories

13:30	Lunch and Networking
14:15	Panel Discussion: Moving beyond the ordinary: Advanced predictive analytics and state of the art cyber security to make for truly smart and safe cities Marijn Fraanje, CIO, The Hague Mohammad Al Shehhi, COO, Dubai Design District Alhaji Yusuf Kazaure, CEO, Galaxy Backbone Ltd Rabih Dabboussi, Senior Vice President – Sales, Marketing & Business Development, DarkMatter Karim Hodeib, Principal Solution Architect, GE Digital Fadi Shanaah, Regional Director Business Development – MEA, Orange Business Services
14:45	Amsterdam spotlight: Insights into Amsterdam's government efficiency programs and leveraging technology to reduce government expenditure Ger Baron, Chief Technology Officer, City of Amsterdam
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Day 3, Tuesday , 10th October 2017
Smart Cities Day 2

11:00	Welcoming Address from Chairmen Philip Bane, Managing Director, Smart Cities Council
11:05	City design: the essence of happy and efficient citizens and residents Jorge Saraiva, Smart Cities Adviser, European Union
11:20	Cognitive Cities: how artificial intelligence will dominate cities of the future Dr. Mohammed Rafiq Swash, Chief Technical Officer, Digi Robotics Technologies Dr. Mohibullah Driverless Vehicles Director, Digi Robotics Technologies Eng. Hamad Al Ameri, Managing Director, Trojan Holdings

	Dr. Khalid Al Saif, CEO, Taqnia Robotics and intelligent systems Dr. Amr Reda Almaddah, COO, Manga Productions
11:45	Nowhere to hide: Examining Moscow's groundbreaking facial recognition CCTV project Dmitry Karandin, Head of Special Projects - Smart City Lab, City of Moscow
12:00	Redefining the way cities and communities interact Shukri Eid, Managing Director – East Region, Cisco Middle East
12:20	Dubai Spotlight: Showcasing Dubai Data and Dubai Pulse – how are Younus Al Nasser , Assistant Director General, Smart Dubai Office
12:40	Cyber Resilience in Smart Cities Harshul Joshi, Senior Vice President Cyber Advisory Services, DarkMatter
13:00	Public value for money -Why do Governments need to think like impact investors in the digital age? Gianmario Pisanu , Managing Director and Management Consulting Lead in the Middle East and Turkey, Accenture
13:20	Adaptive Security Architecture: Securing dynamic and pervasive systems based on behavior analysis Luiz Firmino, Group Chief Information Security Officer, Porto Seguro
13:40	Lunch and Networking
14:25	Maximising the effectiveness of government decision making Jorge Saraiva, Smart Cities Adviser, European Union Fady Younes, Deputy Managing Director and Operations Director East Region, Cisco Middle East Dr Isa Ali Ibrahim Pantami FBCS , Director General, National Information Technology Development Agency Dmitry Karandin, Head of Special Projects - Smart City Lab, City of Moscow Senior Representative, Dubai Internet City
14:55	Measuring a city's smartness – assessing how to benchmark and improve the quality of life of citizens Philip Bane, Managing Director, Smart Cities Council
15:10	Executive insight: Digital transformation leading the way Ranjit Rajan, Head of Research, IDC Middle East, Turkey & Africa, IDC
15:20	Masterclass The secrets of successful transformation to blockchain government Matthew Spoke, CEO and Co-Founder, Nuco



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Day 3, Tuesday, 10th October 2017
Finance

11:00	Welcoming Address from Raj Chowdhury, Blockchain I Cryptocurrency : Advisor, Investor, Consultant
11:05	Keynote Address: Harnessing the power of IoT, big data and Artificial Intelligence reimagine business and drive growth in a disruptive age Navin Gupta, Managing Director SEA, Ripple
11:20	Blockchain: New tech on the block: Understanding the benefit, limitations and practical uses of blockchain technology Moderator Ian Khan , Technology Advisor, 3x TEDx Speaker, Author, Editor Raj Chowdhury, Blockchain I Cryptocurrency : Advisor, Investor, Consultant Matthew Spoke, CEO and Co-Founder, Nuco Navin Gupta, Managing Director SEA, Ripple David Kravitz, Vice President Crypto Systems Research, DarkMatter Andreas Wallendahl, Co-Head of Strategic Initiatives, ConsenSys
12:00	Examining financial services in a mobile first world: how to increase customer engagement and improve loyalty Eleni Kitra, Head of Financial Services, Facebook
12:20	Real security is boring: take a step into the future Dan Lamorena, Vice President, Global Solutions, ForeScout Technologies
12:50	'UK Retail Banking. Too big to disrupt?' Tandem is creating a digital retail bank that aims to completely disrupt the banking industry in the UK. Paul Clark, CTO, Tandem
13:10	Advanced tech financial ecosystems: the interplay between financial institutions and fintech companies – how to ensure success Emre Karter, Head of TTS, Citigroup Deji Oguntunade, Head of Fintech and Innovation, Guaranty Trust Bank Juan Llanos, FinTech & RegTech Lead, ConsenSys Rasool Hujair, CEO, Najm Trey Goede, Head of Portfolio and Investment Management, Saudi Aramco Entrepreneurship Ventures Petr Klimes, Global Head of Marketing and Co-Head of Digital, ADIB

13:40	Lunch and Networking
14:30	Embarking on a digital crash diet: Utilising technology to trim the fat from your operational expenditure to reveal a leaner financial institution Julen Mohanty, VP, JP Morgan Chase Saravanan Kumar, Global Head of Automation, Aon Hilal Houssain, Senior Financial Product Development Specialist, Fintech, Islamic Development Bank Group Greg Cross, Chief Business Officer, Soul Machines
15:00	Banking: the live business Piercarlo Gera, Global Managing Director FS Distribution & Marketing, Accenture
15:20	All Hail the King: His Excellency, The Customer Gopi Krishnan, Chief Information Officer, Al Hilal Bank
15:30	<p>Interactive Discussion Groups: Attendees have the opportunity to spend an hour with a table leader to deep dive into a topic. Participants are encouraged to contribute to the discussion own experiences and challenges to result in tangible solutions Discussion Group topics and leaders :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the use of Robotic Process Automation to improve efficiency and minimize operational costs. Julen Mohanty, VP, JP Morgan Chase • Who is better positioned to lead Digital Transformation: Can CIOs become CDOs ? Gopi Krishnan, Chief Information Officer, Al Hilal Bank • Blockchain masterclass – Examining the benefits of blockchain in finance Raj Chowdhury, Blockchain I Cryptocurrency : Advisor, Investor, Consultant • Exploring the use of blockchain to reduce the cost of interbank transactions and improve profitability Emre Karter, Head of TTS, Citigroup • Investigating the use of machine learning and artificial intelligence to develop more robust cyber security Branden Williams, SVP Cybersecurity, MUFG • Managing change effectively to facilitate a smooth transformation process Mohammed Roushdy, Advisor CEO, Bank Al Bilad • Digital transforming your business to achieve better business performance Paul Black, Program Director, Telecoms & Networking, Middle East and Africa, IDC • Artificial Intelligence in Banking Greg Cross, Chief Business Officer, Soul Machines
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Day 3 Tuesday, 10th October 2017
Tech Leaders

11:00	Welcome Chairperson Natasha Dsouza, Tech Journalist and Columnist, Women@Forbes Welcoming Remarks Amel Murphy, Co-Founder, Sustain Leadership
11:05	Keynote Address: Inspiring Leadership Zeynep Sarilar, Chairwomen, ITEA Office
11:25	Panel Discussion: Driving innovation through diversity – Examining how a diverse gender workforce leads to tech innovation Moderator: Tamara Pupic, Managing Editor, Entrepreneur Magazine Dina Tamimi, Director of Future City, Honeywell Michelle WU, CIO, GE Power Services Deanna Kosaraju, Founder and CEO, Global Tech Women Amel Murphy, Co-Founder, Sustain Leadership Anvita Varshney, Co-founder and Investment Committee member, Dubai Angel Investors
12:00	Panel Discussion: Discussing the role of educational establishments in attracting women to STEM Moderator: Kim Kelaita, Reporter, CNN Barbara Hughey, Senior Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering and Associate Director, Women's Technology Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Shafi Ahmed, Professor of Surgery, Associate Dean, Futurist, Entrepreneur, Innovator, Barts Medical School, Singularity University Zeynep Sarilar, Chairwomen, ITEA Office
12:40	Organisational culture: Creating an environment for entrepreneurship to thrive Moderator: Sonia Weymuller, Founding Partner, VentureSouq Khaled Kteily, Lead, World Economic Forum Jackie Waring, CEO & Founder, Investing Women Amina Sambo, National Coordinator - Office for ICT Innovation and Entrepreneurship, NDITA Ramzy Ismail, Managing Director, Techstars Dubai Vera Futorjanski, Global Head of Communications, Dubai Future Foundation Najla Al-Midfa, General Manager of Sheraa, Sharjah Entrepreneurship Center Alper Celen, Founder, Enhance Digital
13:20	Keynote: Femtech Startups Funding and Investing VC experience. The aim is to provide women tech start-ups or any the opportunity to understand more about what is expected of them, the barriers they may face and what is available out there for them Brigitte Baumann, Founder, Go Beyond Early Stage Investing
13:40	Lunch and Networking
14:40	Panel Discussion: Addressing the best practices in recruiting and retention of talent in the tech industry Moderator: Natasha Dsouza Alia Al Rifai, Chief Financial Officer, Siemens Trey Goede, Head of Portfolio and Investment Management, Saudi Aramco Entrepreneurship Ventures Lina Hediah, Executive Director, ConsenSys Ruth Fletcher, VP-People, Careem Sky Kurtz, Co-Founder, Pure Harvest

15:20	<p>Ask the expert table discussion (entrepreneurship round): Attendees have the opportunity to spend an hour with a table leader to deep dive into a topic. Participants are encouraged to contribute to the discussion own experiences and challenges to result in tangible solutions Discussion Group topics and leaders :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the various funding routes available to finance your business Sonia Weymuller, Founding Partner, VentureSouq • Investigating the critical success factors in climbing up the corporate ladder Amira Rashad, CEO, BulkWhiz • Examining the leadership strategies necessary to get the best out of a diverse workforce Amel Murphy, Co-Founder, Sustain Leadership • Assessing how to successfully pitch to investors and secure huge investments Anvita Varshney, Co-founder and Investment Committee member, Dubai Angel Investors • Developing a comprehensive business plan to transform good ideas to successful businesses Najla Al-Midfa, General Manager of Sheraa, Sharjah Entrepreneurship Center Alper Celen, Founder, Enhance Digital Heather Henryon, CFO Advisor, Needlist Anvita Varshney, Co-founder and Investment Committee member, Dubai Angel Investors
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Day 4, Wednesday, 11th October 2017
Digital Marketing

11:00	Introduction from Chairman
11:05	Fireside Chat: Waking up from a sleeper hold – How the WWE used mobile payments and Direct Carrier Billing to monetize it content and increase revenues of its international market Carlo Nohra, Vice President and General Manager, WWE Interviewed by Michael Tomlins, CEO, Infomedia
11:30	Harnessing key marketing trends to accelerate your digital presence Hussein Dajani, General Manager – Digital Marketing, Nissan Motor Cars
11:55	Careem's acceleration past it's competition - Customising your messaging for a smooth marketing ride Christian Eid, Vice President - Marketing, Careem
12:20	Highlighting Carrefour's marketing success stories Franck Boissinot, Vice President - Marketing & Digital, Carrefour
12:40	Sink or swim: your brand's survival guide in a social media tsunami Meghan Doyle, Lead International Partnerships, Twitter
13:00	Replicating international success in the Middle East Market – The Starz Play Story Danny Bates, Co-Founder and CCO, Starz Play
13:30	Lunch and Networking
14:30	How to build a 60 million + online community – the secrets of Instagram's Middle East success Priya Patel, Business Development Lead, Instagram
14:50	Are we virtually there yet? - If virtual reality is so great, how come you don't have it? Rasha Rteil, Head of Innovation MENA, UM Labs
15:20	Data Monetisation: why brands are changing the game of the advertisement market? Pierre Santamaria, Programmatic and Monetization Lead, Accenture Didier Uljasz, Managing Director Digital Marketing Lead Middle East, Accenture Interactive
15:40	Generation Z - Targeting the main influencers of 90% of the household's spending Suhail Rizvi, Co-Founder & CEO, Engaged
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Day 4, Wednesday, 11th October 2017
Transport & Logistics

11:00	Welcoming Remarks from Chairman <i>Dr. Brittar Lang, Technical Director, Road Safety & Transport Consultants</i>
11:05	Connected & Autonomous EV revolution <i>Tin Hang Liu, CEO & Founder, OSVehicle</i>
11:25	Investigating the future of Human Mobility <i>Bibop Gresta, Chairman & Co-Founder, Hyperloop Transport Technologies</i>
11:40	The Four Pillars: the Future Mobility and Connectivity <i>Gary D West, Urban Active Operations Manager, General Motors</i>
12:00	Fulfilling expectations in a connected world <i>Marc Nolla Harvey, Director Digital Transformation Office, SAP</i>
12:20	Assessing new sustainable transport methods: How to go a 1000 miles on 1 tank of fuel <i>Jelani Aliyu, Director General, National Automotive Design and Development Council</i>
12:40	Eliminating ownership: how the sharing economy will drive sustainable transport in the future <i>Er-Ti Chen, Sustainable Urban Development Associate, Smart Eco City</i>
13:00	Breaking through the road block: how blockchain will change the transport and logistics business <i>Andreas Wallendahl, Co-Head of Strategic Initiatives, ConsenSys</i>
13:20	Let the start-ups tell you how: 3 of the most innovative transport startups will discuss their technologies innovations and tell their stories
13:40	Lunch and Networking
14:30	Cognitive Robotics leading the way for a more intuitive future <i>Dr. Mohammed Rafiq Swash, Chief Technical Officer, Digi Robotics Technologies</i>
14:50	B2C is dead its now B2MEL the new business model driving economies <i>Idriss Al Rifai, Founder & CEO, Fetchr</i>

15:20	How Aramex managed to cut 40% of time wastage through smart location based technology Giles Rhys Jones, CMO, what3words
15:40	Assessing the development of Intelligent mobility networks in the Middle East Nabeel Al Zaka, CEO, Surface Mobility
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Day 5, Thursday, 12th October 2017
Education

11:00	Welcoming remarks from Chairman Mohamed Bitar, Founder, Grow Me
11:05	The Living Lab: Insights into the multi award winning smart campus that is driving innovation Prof. Regiane Relva Romano, General Coordinator, Faculdade de Engenharia de Sorocaba (FACENS)
11:25	Blockchain in Education: Creating a dynamic educational institute to capitalize on disruptive technologies Dr. Robert Learney, Associate Director Centre for Cryptocurrency Research and Engineering, Imperial College
12:00	Transforming education for the unconnected: creating access to those who don't have access Hamed Odeh, Senior Manager - Business Development, Yahsat
12:30	Why VR? Revealing the 8 key reasons to adopt VR in education! Steve Bambury, Head of Digital Learning & Innovation, JESS Dubai
12:50	Smart Education: Insights in to the success of Moscow's education system Dmitry Karandin, Head of Special Projects - Smart City Lab, City of Moscow
13:10	Attract the next generation of STEM and technology innovators: educational institutions role in developing an effective ecosystem Dr. Ani Atanasova, CEO, Pixelhunters
13:30	Lunch and Networking
14:30	Experiential learning: How educators can create 'impossible' experiences that engage students in all-new ways Nikitas Glykas, President, HTC MEA

15:00	The democratization of education and training – Rise of the Apps Mohamed Bitar, Founder, Grow Me
15:15	Panel: The School of the Future for 21st Century Students: Leaders' Perspectives Moderator: Mohamed Bitar, Founder, Grow Me Mark Steed, Director, JESS Dubai Prof. Regiane Relva Romano, General Coordinator, Faculdade de Engenharia de Sorocaba (FACENS) Kamran Shaukat, Head of Education Industry, Huawei Enterprise Middle East Dr. Robert Learnay, Associate Director Centre for Cryptocurrency Research and Engineering, Imperial College Nikitas Glykas, President, HTC MEA
16:00	THE GITEX KEYNOTES – Please view the GITEX Keynotes Stage Agenda

Monday, 9th October 2017 THE GITEX KEYNOTES	
16:00	Welcoming Remarks from Chairman
16:05	The 5Ps to building a great disruptive business Patrick Grove, Co-founder & Group CEO, Catcha Group /co-founder & Chairman, ifix
16:30	Future of work – Digital Transformation Herve Chauveau, VP of Marketing Strategy, Xerox Corp Anil George, Head Centralized Procurement Department, Mashreq Bank Sherif Khalifa, Director IT, Middle East & Africa, Emerson Abdulla Qasem Mohammed Alfaqeeh, Section Head Operations IT, Health Authority Abu Dhabi (HAAD)

Tuesday, 10th October 2017 Keynote Stage	
16:00	Welcoming Remarks from Chairman
16:05	People Powered Cities: Man Versus Machine Laurence Kembell -Cook , CEO, FOUNDER, DISRUPTOR, ENGINEER AND ATHLETE
16:30	No money no problem: the reality behind a cashless society Rajat Agarwal, Head of Samsung Pay, Samsung Gaurang Shah, Senior Vice President Product Management, Mastercard Maki Vekinis, General Manager, Emirates Digital Wallet Bashir A. Sheikh, Co-Founder & Co-CEO, Inov8 Limited

Wednesday, 11th October 2017
THE GITEX KEYNOTES

16:00	Welcoming Remarks from Chairman
16:05	<p>Exclusive Planet of the Apps Panel</p> <p>Moderator</p> <p>Linh Le, Executive Producer, Planet of the Apps</p> <p>Panelists Winston Thomas aka DJ Blackout Co-Founder RecordGram, Grammy Award Winning DJ and Producer Lauren Farleigh, Founder, Dote – Raised US\$10.8 million through Planet of the Apps and mentored by Gwyneth Paltrow Sunny Uppal, Founder, Tracks Erik Mendelson, Co-Founder, RecordGram - mentored by Will I AM and received \$650k investment on show and went on to win TechCrunch's Startup Battlefield</p>

