

Key UAE and regional Energy Efficiency experts addressed upcoming projects and Initiatives

Dubai Supreme Council of Energy, Etihad ESCO, AMEE, RSB Dubai, DEWA, Abu Dhabi Department of Energy, Ras Al Khaimah Municipality, Dubai Municipality gathered at the 7th Retrofit Tech MENA Summit



Dubai, United Arab Emirates Mar 22, 2022 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - The 7th Edition of **[Retrofit Tech MENA Summit and Awards](#)** took place today with the participation of more than 200 industry leaders and experts. The Summit is officially co-hosted by the Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA), and hosted by Etihad ESCO.

The first day of the Summit was a great success as speakers delivered world-class presentations and case studies on key topics including energy efficiency, sustainability and retrofitting.

Faisal Rashid, Senior Director - Demand Side Management of Dubai Supreme Council of Energy provided the opening keynote presentation addressing Dubai's energy efficiency and DSM Strategy.

Faisal Al Raisi, Acting Chief Executive Officer of Etihad ESCO provided updates on new and upcoming projects and initiatives of Etihad ESCO's retrofit programme during the first half of the day.

Said Mouline, Director General, AMEE - Moroccan Agency for Energy Efficiency showcased an international case study on energy efficiency where attendees gained insight on the successes and lessons learnt. He said "Energy efficiency is the very key point and all countries should be concern about it".

Graeme Sims, Executive Director of RSB Dubai shared a presentation on regulatory outlook on HVACR

and district cooling.

The Summit featured an executive panel discussion on regulatory and super ESCO outlook on incentivizing retrofits and enhancing energy and water efficiency in buildings which was moderated by Hassan Younes, Co - CEO & Founder, GRFN, along with expert panelists from AMEE - Moroccan Agency for Energy Efficiency, Dubai Supreme Council of Energy, Etihad ESCO, RAK Municipality, and Abu Dhabi Department of Energy.

Andrea di Gregorio, Executive Director, Energy Efficiency and Renewables Office (Reem) of Ras Al Khaimah Municipality who joined the executive panel discussion said “Our team has been attending the Retrofit Tech MENA summit for the past few years now, and the event serves as a great platform for addressing the needs of the energy efficiency sector in the UAE.”

“We are organising, this October, an international energy conference in Ras Al Khaimah, the first RAK Energy Summit. The event, held under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Saud bin Saqr Al Qasimi, UAE Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Ras Al Khaimah, will serve as a platform for regional and international cooperation in the fields of energy efficiency and renewable energy”.

Three technology presentations were provided in the afternoon by the Summit’s Silver Sponsors including Henry Jeha, VP Business Development, Energy & Asset Performance of Siemens Middle East on a Smart green world - making digitalization work for sustainability; Rajmohan Govindarajan, Manager - Building Systems & Solutions, Armstrong Fluid Technology on Smart HVAC solutions for building lifecycle efficiency; and Saadat Hussain, Strategic Accounts Manager - Middle East & Africa, Trane, on Opportunities for energy efficiency and sustainability.

Saadat Hussain, Strategic Accounts Manager - Middle East & Africa of Trane quoted “Our mission is to boldly challenge what’s possible for a sustainable world thus we do have ambitious sustainability targets, indeed we are reducing one gigaton (one billion metric tons) of carbon emissions from our customers’ footprint by 2030. To do that, we are revolutionizing our products portfolio to incorporate the latest technologies and the highest efficiencies. Combining cooling and heating systems to utilize the free available heat, transitioning to the lowest possible GWP refrigerants, implementing energy saving services to existing equipment and empowering circular economy with our rental solutions are only few illustrations of this commitment. We are excited to participate to the Dubai retrofit tech summit 2022 to showcase these technologies and to interact and exchange ideas with other industry players.”

Other leading experts presented at the summit includes Dr. Pablo Izquierdo, Energy Efficiency Manager - Energy Efficiency and Renewables Office (Reem), Ras Al Khaimah Municipality; Shaikha Ahmad Alshaikh, Head of Planning & Design of Drainage Systems, Dubai Municipality; Mays Kayed, Sustainability Manager, Royal Development Company; Francisco Ramalheira, Senior Vice President Business Development & Marketing, Enova; and Dr. Ioannis Spanos, Director of Sustainability, KEO International Consultants.

The Retrofit Tech MENA Awards Ceremony will be held on the second day of the Summit during the closing ceremony highlighting the best projects and initiatives in the MENA region.

The summit’s key sponsors include Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA), Supreme Council of Energy, Armstrong, Siemens, Trane, Ledvance, Scientech, Green Optima, Schreder, Terraco, Belimo, Secure Meters, Daikin, Oppl Lighting, Grundfos, DCServe, Qey, Farnek, Klima Global, Intelli-Hood, Engie, Enova, and KEO.

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