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# DUQUM ECONOMIC FORUM

منتدى  
الدقم الاقتصادي

فندق كراون بلازا الدقم





# حول

## منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023

في هذه الأيام، أصبح التحول الأخضر والتقنيات الجديدة المرتبطة به أحد القضايا ذات الأولوية في مجال الصناعات والاستثمار ولذلك ليس من الغريب أن تقوم الشركات بما فيها تلك العاملة في المنطقة الاقتصادية الخاصة بالدقم وخارجها بإعادة التفكير في نماذج الأعمال المتبعة وبالتالي إعادة هندسة العمليات المطبقة من قبلها. عليه تم التفكير في تنظيم منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023 للتعريف بهذه التوجهات الجديدة واستكشاف القضايا المرتبطة بها وآثارها المستقبلية المتوقعة التي تواجه التنفيذ والتحديات التي يجب التغلب عليها من أجل تحقيق الأهداف الموضوعية وخلق بيئة عمل تشجع المؤسسات على الابتكار وتطبيق أحدث التقنيات الحديثة.

تم اختيار الجلسات الحوارية التي سيتم تنظيمها خلال هذا الحدث الهام الذي يستمر يومين بعناية فائقة وبما يضمن مناقشة دور المنطقة الاقتصادية الخاصة بالدقم للتغيير الاقتصادي وقوة صناعية. يوفر هذا المنتدى للمتحدثين الفرصة لإلقاء الضوء على قضايا المستقبل وتبادل الرؤى والأفكار حول تعزيز الابتكار وتبني التقنيات الحديثة وتحفيز المبدعين والمجيدين بما يساعد في تحقيق تطلعات وطموحات المنطقة الاقتصادية الخاصة بالدقم ويرسخ نجاحها.

من المقرر أن تستمر فعاليات منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023 على مدى يومين هما يوم الاثنين 16 والثلاثاء 17 أكتوبر 2023.



إنه لمن دواعي سروري أن أقدم منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي الأول 2023، والذي من المنتظر أن يكون منصة هامة لاستعراض المزايا والإمكانات الهائلة للمنطقة الاقتصادية الخاصة بالدقم -باعتبارها مركز جذب استثماري عالمي وبوابة للتجارة العالمية، إلى جانب كونها حجر الزاوية في تحقيق أهداف رؤية عمان 2040، التي تعتبر الاستراتيجية لبناء دولة عصرية تحقق التنمية والتقدم بشكل مستدام.

في الواقع، تلعب الخدمات والحوافز والميزات التي توفرها المنطقة الاقتصادية الخاصة بالدقم بالفعل دورًا مهمًا في النهضة الجديدة والمتجددة التي تتمتع بها سلطنة عمان في ظل القيادة الحكيمة من لدن لحضرة صاحب الجلالة السلطان هيثم بن طارق المعظم - حفظه الله ورعاه، حيث إنها تعزز إمكانيات الاقتصاد الأخضر وتسرع عملية التحول إلى اقتصاد متين وقوي قائم على التكنولوجيا والابتكار.

سيكون منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023 بمثابة منصة مؤثرة لتبادل المعرفة والخبرة حول سبل تعزيز الابتكار إلى جانب كونه فرصة لإطلاق مشاريع جديدة وتسهيل الدخول في شراكات فاعلة تحقق نتائج إيجابية للأفراد والمؤسسات والشركات التي تسعى لرسم ملامح الطريق إلى الأمام نحو مستقبل مستدام أكثر ازدهاراً.



## كلمة

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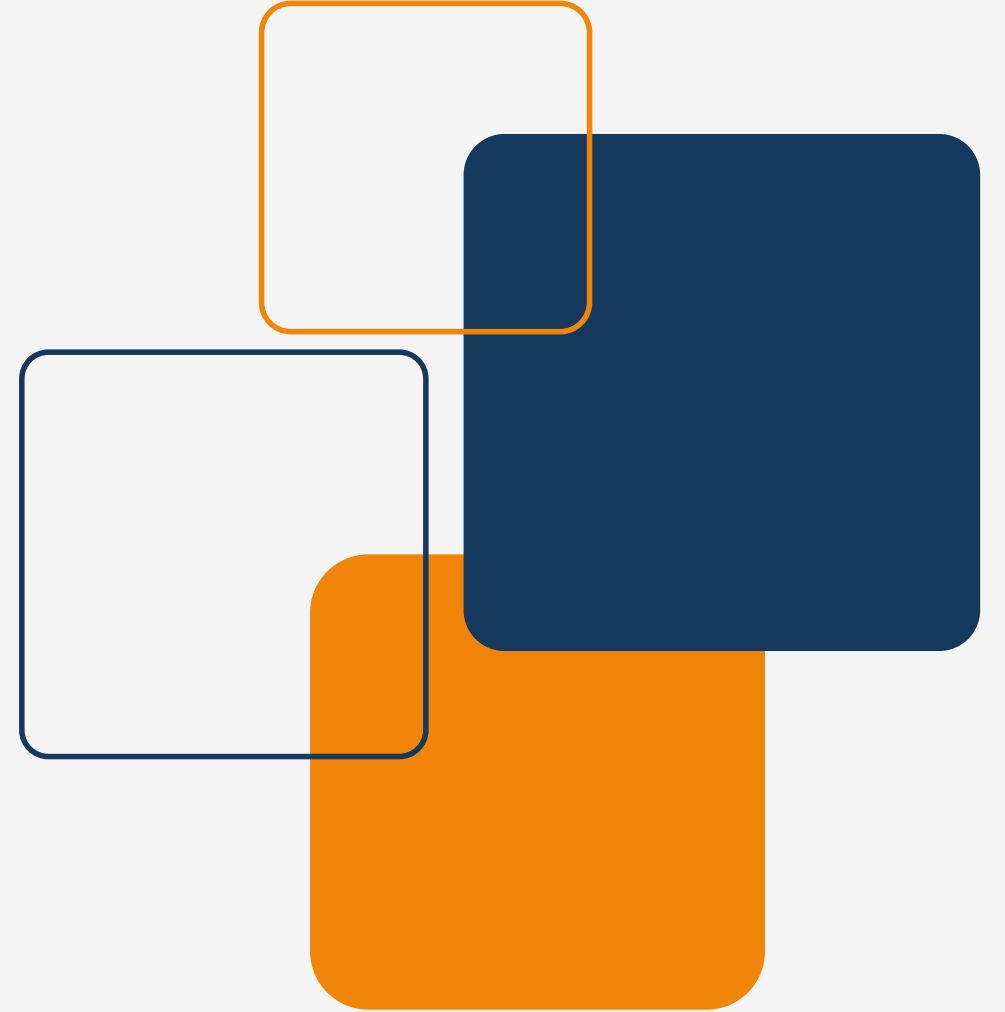
يشمل منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023 على العديد من الجلسات الحوارية والنقاشات المثيرة التي يقودها قادة الفكر في مجال الصناعات الثقيلة وصناعة الهيدروجين الأخضر والطاقة النظيفة بالإضافة إلى الابتكار والخبراء الذين يقودون التغيير في مجالات تخصصهم مع توفير فرصة للتواصل مع هؤلاء وهذا يعني أن المنتدى يوفر للمستثمرين الباحثين عن الفرص رجال الأعمال الذين يتطلعون إلى توسيع مشاريعهم والمهنيين في هذا المجال حريصين على البقاء في الطليعة ، إمكانيات استثنائية للتواصل مع المتخصصين في القطاع والشركاء المحتملين وصناع القرار الذين يركزون على بناء مستقبل مستدام يحقق النتائج المرجوة للجميع.

## الفائدة



## الفئات المستهدفة

سيكون منتدى الدقم الاقتصادي 2023 فرصة كبيرة للتواصل بين المسؤولين الحكوميين وصناع السياسات؛ المستثمرون اصحاب رؤوس الأموال؛ قادة الاعمال التجارية؛ رجال الأعمال؛ المتخصصين في التنمية الاقتصادية والتجارة؛ المتخصصون في التكنولوجيا واللوجستيات والبيئة والاستدامة؛ الصناعيين، مسؤولي المصانع والمهندسين، ممثلي المنظمات الدولية والمنظمات غير الحكومية؛ الأكاديميون الباحثون والمبتكرون.





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# ABOUT

## Duqm Economic Forum (DUQM23)

As the green transition and new technologies shape the global commercial and industrial landscape - as companies on the Special Economic Zone at Duqm (SEZAD) and beyond reimagine business models and re-engineer operations - the Duqm Economic Forum (DUQM23) has been established to inform, inspire and create impact as it explores the issues, implications, complexities and challenges of this exciting new enterprise environment and looks into the ecosystem of innovation-driven opportunities and tech-powered possibilities that is emerging.

The panels in this premier two-day business event have been selected to reflect SEZAD's role as an economic change-leader and industrial powerhouse. And firmly future focused, the one-on-one Duqm Dialogues give insights into the innovation, technology and talent that energize SEZAD's ambitions and fuel its success.

DUQM23 is scheduled for Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 October 2023.





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## MESSAGE

from HE Dr. Ali bin Masoud Al Sunaidy  
Chairman, OPAZ

It is my pleasure to introduce the first Duqm Economic Forum (DUQM23), an event that will showcase the dynamism, commercial leadership and vast potential of the Special Economic Zone at Duqm – an extraordinary investment hub and gateway to global trade that is a cornerstone of Oman Vision 2040, the nation's innovative strategy for sustainable progress and development.

Indeed, SEZAD's offer, activities and achievements already play a significant role in the new and renewed Renaissance Oman is enjoying under the enlightened leadership of His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tarik as it powers the possibilities of the green economy and accelerates industry towards the opportunities of a tech-driven future.

The forum is a great opportunity for the sharing of knowledge, experience and ideas, DUQM23 will doubtless stimulate thought, catalyse innovation, spark new ventures and facilitate progressive partnerships, generating impactful outcomes for individuals, organisations and companies as they chart the way forward towards a sustainable and prosperous future.



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## BENEFITS

An immersive experience, DUQM23 combines informative and insightful sessions led by thought-leaders spearheading innovation and experts driving change in their respective fields with exclusive networking possibilities – offering investors seeking opportunities, entrepreneurs looking to expand their ventures and industry professionals eager to stay ahead of the curve, exceptional possibilities to connect with sector specialists, potential partners and decision-makers focused on building a sustainable, rewarding and commercially successful future.



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# ATTENDEE Profile

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venture capitalists; business leaders; and entrepreneurs;  
economic development and trade specialists; tech, logistics,  
environment and sustainability professionals; industrialists;  
manufacturers and engineers;  
international organizations and NGOs; academics; researchers;  
and innovators.

To experience this high-level networking opportunity and learn from world-class panels.

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For more information and to secure your place at this transformative event, visit our website ([www.opaz.gov.om](http://www.opaz.gov.om)) or contact our dedicated team today on (24507521 | 24507309).



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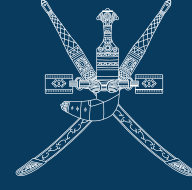
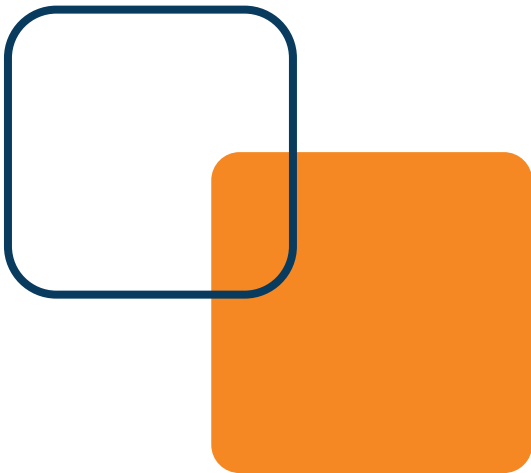




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Organized by the Public Authority for Special Economic Zones & Free Zones (OPAZ), this first Duqm Economic Forum has been established to inform, inspire and create impact as it explores the dynamic innovation-driven partnership possibilities and showcases the exciting green investment opportunities of the Special Economic Zone at Duqm (SEZAD).

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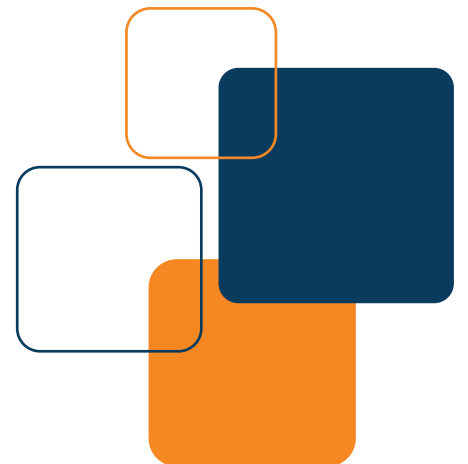
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## ATTENDEE PROFILE

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## PANELLISTS

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## DUQM23 PROGRAM DAY ONE

### SEZAD FILM

### OPENING REMARKS

HE Dr. Ali Al Sunaidy  
Chairman, OPAZ

### THE DUQM IMPERATIVE

Taking Oman Vision 2040 as its starting point, the Duqm Imperative will reflect on the game-changing policies, initiatives and projects generating cross-sector opportunities across the value-chain in Duqm. It will then consider the impressive ecosystem of drivers attracting global leaders in renewable energy, manufacturing, petrochemicals and logistics to the Special Economic Zone.

#### Presentation Topics at a Glance

- Reimagining approaches to economic development
- Investment environment
- Ports, airports & roads
- Technology
- Sustainability and Net-Zero goals
- Oman as a 'future renewable superpower'

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### PANEL 1

#### Duqm Renewables Powering Industry

##### Panellists TBA

As a clean energy source, Duqm's green hydrogen presents heavy industry with a viable solution to significantly decarbonize and propel their manufacturing towards a more sustainable industrial future. In this session, leading global companies share how they intend to use groundbreaking technology and harness Duqm's renewable energy to power their operations and help them achieve their sustainability goals.

#### Discussion Topics at a Glance

- Renewables supply
- Decarbonization
- Meeting industry's demand for green materials
- IoT and smart manufacturing
- Cluster development
- Export opportunities

### SIGNING CEREMONY & NETWORKING BREAK

## PANEL 2

### Duqm's Green Energy Advantage

#### Panellists TBA

Addressing climate change is a core component of Oman Vision 2040 and with Oman's National Energy Strategy the country has embarked on a number of high-profile renewable energy projects amongst them the world's largest solar plant for desalination, the first large-scale wind farm in the GCC and the export-oriented HYPOR Duqm – a proposed 500MW green hydrogen and ammonia plant on the Special Economic Zone in Duqm with the potential to position Oman as a world-scale producer and exporter of zero-carbon fuels to international markets. Indeed, in May 2021 Michael Liebreich, Former CEO BloombergNEF named Oman as one of the world's 'future renewable superpowers'. This DUQM23 panel will shine a light on the green energy companies setting up in Duqm, the infrastructure and expertise that supports them, the demand and consumer trends that drive them and the opportunities that will power their success.

#### Discussion Topics at a Glance

- Green hydrogen
- Solar and wind landscape
- Efficient energy transition
- Energy storage
- Global demand and markets
- Public private partnerships

## PANEL 3

### Duqm's Downstream Green Pull

Panellists TBA

Capitalizing on the immense renewable energy potential of Duqm, the Special Economic Zone is supporting the development of a large-scale green steel industry cluster. The operations and products of these manufacturing giants, along with Duqm's proximity to a rich supply of industrial minerals, is set to create a wealth of downstream opportunities, attracting multinationals and SMEs alike to set up on the Special Economic Zone.

Focusing in particular on the potential for automotive, pharmaceutical, construction and fertilizer industries as well as makers of solar panels and wind turbines, the panel will look at the incentives and infrastructure to support the development of operations by manufacturers, consumer-driven industrial trends, access to markets, new industrial clusters, innovation and collaboration possibilities, talent attraction and job creation.

### Discussion Topics at a Glance

- Availability of green materials
- Technology and infrastructure enablers
- Regulatory and incentive framework
- Duqm's one-stop-shop
- R&D and innovation
- Rise of conscious consumerism

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## **DUQM DIALOGUE 1**

Carbon Capture

## **GALA DINNER**

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## DUQM23 PROGRAM DAY TWO

### PANEL 4

#### Opportunity in Supply Chain

Panellists TBA

A key enabler in SEZAD's value proposition, the innovation led Port of Duqm – also known as the Green Port - is a world-class multi-modal logistics hub and enviably located gateway to regional and global markets. An exceptional multi-purpose economic, commercial and industrial epi-centre, the Port is also home to Asyad Dry Dock with its outstanding maintenance and repair facilities and thriving manufacturing operations.

This DUQM23 panel will navigate the exciting opportunities ahead for SEZAD-based transport, maritime and cargo companies as well as the industrial giants using Port of Duqm's services and infrastructure. It will look too into the outstanding prospects for investment in this major centre for global trade flows and leader in the distribution of new energy. It will also look at the network of factors driving the success of Port of Duqm and giving it a distinct competitive advantage.

#### Presentation Topics at a Glance

- Partnership ecosystem
- Steel industry and megaprojects
- Oil and gas up and downstream industries
- Cluster development
- Warehousing
- Expansion potential

## PANEL 5

### New Era for Petrochemicals

Panellists TBA

Used in plastics, fertilizers, packaging, clothing, digital devices, medical equipment, detergents and tyres the demand for petrochemicals is expected to increase by 40% by 2030 and nearly double by 2050. In fact, petrochemicals are also key to manufacture many of the parts required for today's modern renewable energy system, including solar panels, wind turbines, batteries, thermal insulation and electric vehicles.

This panel will review the sizeable investments made in the Duqm Refinery project and the Markaz Crude Oil Storage Terminal - the largest oil storage and export project in the Middle East - and the opportunities this presents to petrochemical manufacturers targeting growing markets linked to the green energy transition, clean technologies, mobility, construction, durable goods, healthcare and packaging.

### Discussion Topics at a Glance

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## **DUQM DIALOGUE 2**

Space for Every Ambition

## **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Eng. Ahmed Al Dheeb  
Deputy Chairman, OPAZ

## **SEZAD TOUR**



## ABOUT OPAZ

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Committed to providing an attractive and sustainable investment environment, the Public Authority for Special Economic Zones and Free Zones, (OPAZ) was established August 2020 by the Royal Decree No 2020/105. Today, it oversees 14 economic zones, free zones and industrial cities across Oman.

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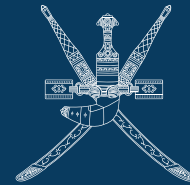
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The largest special economic zone in the Middle East and North Africa, SEZAD is a dynamic commercial, industrial and shipping hub - a vibrant investment destination underpinned by innovation and powered by ambition that is already home to multi-national mega-projects, a leader in impactful public-private partnership initiatives and a magnet for next-generation enterprises with global aspirations. And with a well-established commitment to a sustainable future, this tech-forward powerhouse for the development of green energy in Oman is also a determined leader in the country's transition to a low-carbon and diversified economy.





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