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Concept Note & Agenda

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Adapting to a Shifting Investment Landscape: Harnessing New Potential for Global Economic Development

The economy is a system of interconnected institutions and markets that is continuously correcting itself, however it reaches a critical state eventually. In the process of rebuilding the economies of the countries, it is very important to focus on building a resilient, and inclusive future.

Resilience and shifting the investment landscape needs a multidisciplinary approach. Both concepts are very important and essential in 2023, in order to assess the capacity of economies and financial systems to withstand major shocks. A lot of debates have been circulated during 2022 and 2023 about if the global economy can be characterized as 'normal' once again; many of these debates haven't brought to the table any concrete answers, however, it has only brought promises of a direction towards a global shift in the investment landscape.

Although that, Supply chains have get back to its normal situation, to a great extent, including delivery times and shipping costs, still global economy faces a lot of challenges in 2022 and 2023, including the high inflation rates. Global headline inflation is expected to fall from an annual average of 8.7 percent in 2022 to 6.8 percent in 2023 and 5.2 percent in 2024. One of the directions of the global economy is applying policies which can contain the high inflation rates, through achieving disinflation, meanwhile, ensuring financial stability. Shifting investment landscape shall redirect the inflation rates, however on the long run.

Despite these headwinds, global economic and investments flows were resilient in the first quarter of 2023. Despite the recent positive growth surprises, expected risks isn't away from our road, these risks and surprises can be in the form of inflation rates, financial markets reprice, the underperformance of China's recovery, increasing debit distress, and geoeconomic fragmentation.

There is a great shift in the global business landscape, where most of the researches reveals that the fast growing sustainable cities are a new opportunity for new consumers, who can achieve a leap in the global development. This powerful wave of new markets and corporations will be able to be a game changer in the competition game of the old market. This will also affect the shift needed to be achieved in the global investments' landscape.

The Annual Investment Meeting - AIM Congress focuses in 2023 on fostering the global economic development, to avoid a near recession, through strengthen gains from digitalization, fostering flexible and inclusive labor markets, enhancing business dynamism, mitigate supply shortages, and harnessing new potentials for global economic development.



World Investment Forum 2023
The Annual Investment Meeting - AIM Congress 2023
19th of October, 2023
Agenda

10:00 – 10:05

MC:

- **Imad Eddine Oubiri**, Knowledge Partner & International Business Advisor - UAE.

10:05 – 10:07

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10:07 – 10:15

Keynote Speech:

- **H.E. Dawood Al Shezawi**, President - AIM Global Foundation.

10:15 – 11:10

Venue:

Language: English

Access:

Panel Discussion: Digital Financial Inclusion - Moving Towards an Innovative, Interconnected and Inclusive World Economy

Being one of the most significant drivers of economic growth, digital technology is rapidly evolving. Where, financial inclusion is one of the nine key pillars of the global poverty reduction agenda, which aims at developing transition economies. Digital Transformation of the financial sector Involves the deployment of the cost-saving digital means to reach currently financially excluded and underserved populations. The concept involves the deployment of digital means to reach financially excluded and underserved populations. This panel highlights the opportunities and the leapfrog transformation of digital finance, which has successfully improved access to finance for the poor, women, small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and other excluded segments.

Moderator:

- **Matthew Stephenson**, Head, Investment and Practice - World Economic Forum

Speakers:

- **Ali Al Balooshi**, CEO - EcoX
- **Sherif Al-Masry**, CEO - Maverika and Vice Chairman - Macber
- **Vikash Sharma**, Founder – Group CEO of IC1101 Inc.
- **Takashi Nakamura**, Director – NIFCO
- **Ubaydli Al Ubaydli**, Chairman – Union of Arab ICT

11:10 - 11:40

Fireside Chat: The Future of Cities – Thriving Amid Turbulence

In the next 30 years, cities worldwide will be forced to change in unexpected ways. Sustainable cities of the future will be greener, and more intertwined with technology. The world's population is expected to reach 9 billion by 2050; the population growth will lead to severe consequences to the resource availability, global economy, and climate change. To achieve the UN's SDG11 –



Sustainable Cities and communities, there is a great direction now focusing on pushing investments towards achieving affordable, inclusive and resilient cities. This session highlights encouraging sustainable development and the results of pushing the flow of investments towards sustainable cities, while alleviating high levels of urban poverty, taking into consideration resilience and urban planning.

Moderator:

- **David Munit Nabti**, CEO – bloom

Speaker:

- **Toomas Allikas**, Founder & CEO – Greenful
- **Dr. Anas Bataw**, Centre of Excellence in Smart Construction – Heriot Watt University

11:40 - 12:30

Panel Discussion: Supply Chains - The Road Ahead - 2023 Challenging Questions

Supply Chain sector has faced its fair share of challenges in 2022; deep concern over the supply chain crisis is rippling across the global economy and its future. Meanwhile, Current trends suggest 2023 could be a challenging year, as much as 2022. The challenges facing supply chains are being highlighted in this panel discussion; where the panel discusses the continued backlogs, workers shortages, growing cyberthreats, geopolitical tensions, extreme weather, the pressure to go green, and changing legislations of the supply chain sector. Meanwhile, the panel discusses as well the flying ahead opportunities, especially in applying the AI, and the latest digital technologies.

Moderator:

- **Lauren Holtmeier**, Editor – Global Data

Speakers:

- **Isamu Koyama**, CEO/Representative Director – Japan Innovation Park GIA
- **Daniil Algulyan**, Deputy Chairman - VEB.RF
- **Sonya Janahi**, Board Member Bahrain Chamber of Commerce - Deputy Board Member of ILO (Employers of Asia) - Founder & CEO, Maya La Chocolaterie & The Living Concepts
- **Sameer Sortur**, Regional Director GCC - Founder Institute.
- **Amb. Michael Aaron Oquaye**, CEO - Ghana Free Zones Authority

12:30 – 13:00

Interview: The Rise of Family Offices – 2023 Investments Directions

As more tech companies stay private for longer, Family Office venture investment is growing at a monumental pace. There is \$10 trillion of wealth amongst Family Offices, a figure predicted to grow to \$65 trillion over the next 15 years. On the same side, family offices are dealing with major concerns such as inflation, rising interest rates, and recessionary worries. Due to the sheer size of the wealth and their focus on private markets, Family Offices could have a great role in pushing for a big paradigm shift in investments landscape, and could also disrupt the private investments in 2023. This session shall discuss high inflation rates and its effects on the global economy, and



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how it shall play a major role in determining the investment trends for family offices this 2023, impacting the way they invest and perform.

Interviewer:

- **Dr. Hanan El Basha**, Director Qatar & GCC – Founder Institute, & Founder - The Business Doctor | Empowering Business Strategist

Interviewee:

- **Mr. Ahmed Nasser Al Nowais**, Founder & CEO - Annex Investment